

## ***Graduate Student Support***

Research:

The Committee, meeting in conjunction with the Graduate Program Coordinator will consider applications from graduate students twice a year, with the following deadlines:

- 1) November 1<sup>st</sup> for funding from January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>
- 2) April 1<sup>st</sup> for funding from July 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

Graduate students are eligible for two types of funding, in the following order of priority:

- 1) Competitive applications for research travel support, dissertation and thesis writing, and research-related language training. Graduate students who receive significant support from the fund in one year should receive lower priority in the subsequent year. All graduate students in good standing are eligible to apply. Within this general framework, the subcommittee will consider applications in the following order of priority:
  - a) to fund travel for research, whether at archives, libraries, or in the field. Applications for research travel support must include a clear statement of the significance of the work to be conducted in relation to the dissertation or thesis, detailed explanations about how funds will be used, and itemized budgets, which may include the costs related to the reproduction of documents. The subcommittee will award funds up to \$2,000 for travel within the United States and \$4,000 for international travel per funding cycle, although graduate students may apply for extraordinary funding beyond these limits.
  - b) to supplement outside grants that are insufficient to cover the cost of a research project.
  - c) from graduate students nearing the completion of a dissertation or thesis for Summer Writing Fellowships of \$3500. Dissertation and thesis advisors will submit nominating letters, and applicants will be required to detail a timetable for completion. The committee requires that graduate students who accept this fellowship not accept other employment from the university for the duration of the award.
  - d) to support training in a foreign language in which fluency is required to conduct research.
- 2) Dissertation support for students who apply for but do not receive a Dissertation Fellowship from the Graduate School. By April 1<sup>st</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year doctoral students who have successfully defended their dissertation prospectus and unsuccessfully applied for funding from the Graduate School may petition the Committee for research funding equivalent to the Dissertation Fellowship. Applicants must detail their research and completion plans and budgets and explain why it is critical that they receive funding for the upcoming semester

rather than wait for the Graduate School's next application cycle. Dissertation advisors must submit nominating letters confirming the urgency of funding needs. Graduate students who receive or have not applied for a Dissertation Fellowship from the Graduate School are not eligible to apply for this support.

Within two months of completing a funded research trip or period, the graduate student will submit a detailed report on the accomplished work to the Committee, and the report will become a public part of the committee's report to the full department.