

2017-18 Dissertation Research Travel Grants for Graduate Students

The Graduate School is pleased to invite nominations for Dissertation Research Travel Grants of up to \$5,000 each. These competitive awards will **support the travel costs of doctoral students engaged in archival or field research outside the U.S.** The actual amount awarded will depend on budgets submitted by nominees. We hope to make approximately nine such awards across the academic year; the actual number will depend on the quality of the nominations received and the availability of funds.

Each doctoral program, both on the Main Campus and at the Medical Center, may nominate ***up to three doctoral candidates*** for these awards. Nominees must have an approved dissertation proposal on file with the Graduate School by the nomination deadline, and normally be expected to have completed the pre-dissertation requirements for the doctoral degree (e.g., coursework, language requirements, and comprehensive examinations).

The following materials are required per nomination:

- from the nominee:
 - a) a description of the dissertation, a statement explaining the importance of the proposed travel to the dissertation research, a description of the travel plans, and a travel budget, *all no more than three pages in length.*
 - b) a current CV with most recent GPA noted, *of no more than two pages in length*
- from the faculty, two letters of support:
 - a) one letter of *no more than two pages in length* from the student's thesis adviser.
 - b) a second letter, *no longer than one page*, should be from another member of the faculty who is familiar with the student's work.

Applications will be judged solely on academic merit.

Nominations must be submitted electronically as one complete PDF document to GSASGradResearch@georgetown.edu by 5 p.m. on Friday, October 20, 2017 for the fall competition and Friday, February 23, 2018 for the spring competition. Nominations will be reviewed by the Director of External Fellowships and members of the Graduate Research Steering Committee. Decisions will be announced by November 30, 2017 and March 29, 2018, respectively.

Awardees will be expected to provide a short written report of their research travel activities and their overall progress to date toward completion of the dissertation by the end of the semester following their return.

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