



Summer Teaching Assistant Fellowship Award Criteria and Terms of Award Summer 2017

Criteria for Awarding Fellowship

1. **Academic Performance (AP 5 points)**
 - a. Progress (2 points):
 - b. Achievement (3 points): GPA, Papers, chapters, conferences publications
2. **Proposed summer project (PSP 12 points)**
 - a. Importance of Project to Academic Plan (3 points)
 - b. Quality of Proposed Research and Clarity of the proposal and its ability to convey the questions investigated (6 points)
 - c. Feasibility of Completion this summer (3 points)
3. **Value of summer to academic plan (VSP 3 points)**

Recommendation letters taking into account the advisors' evaluation of the significance of the project to future academic progress and completion of degree and the significance of the project to the students' particular field. (3 points)
4. **Service as a teaching assistant (STA 5 points)**
 - a. Years of TA Service. Recommendation letters taking into account the Programs' evaluation of the students work as a TA. (3 points):
 - b. Self-Assessment (2 points)

1. *Deductions:* Applicants who already received a Summer Fellowship and/or have been awarded a Dissertation Year Fellowship will be given lower priority. Students who failed to provide reports for past funds are not eligible.

Terms of the Award

1. Fellowship stipends are processed as a one-time payment in mid-July.
2. The 2017 summer stipend is expected to be \$3150.
3. Recipients are expected to devote at least 1/3 of their summer to fellowship activities and may supplement their fellowship through a graduate summer appointment at the university. The maximum combined compensation for a student receiving a fellowship and a working appointment is equivalent to 2/3 of their prior academic year stipend.
4. Fellows must **submit a report** of their summer activities, endorsed (signed) by their advisor, to the Graduate Dean's Office and to their Graduate Program Coordinator by **August 18, 2017**.