Application due March 15, 2019 at Graduate Division, UCSB, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2070

**Overview**
The Converse Fellowship supports graduate research on terrestrial plants in Mexico. Fellowships will be granted for field-oriented studies. Both research and research-related travel expenses are appropriate. Awards may be made for one quarter (maximum stipend $8,000) or for one academic year (maximum stipend $24,000) and may be received more than once.

**Eligibility**
To be eligible, applicants:
- Must be UCSB graduate students with financial need; domestic students must file the FAFSA.
- Must be registered on approved Leave of Absence during Spring 2019.
- Must not be beyond normative time or time-to-degree standards and must not have P3 status during any quarter of the funding period.
- Must not hold an active multi-year central fellowship package (e.g., students in a departmental appointment year of a multi-year award); must be in academic good standing at the time of nomination.
- Supportable areas of research are in one or more of the following areas with a strong preference for research in Mexico: systematic, floristic, vegetational, ecological and phytogeographic botany studies.
- Some applications will also be considered for research in botany in other areas; applicants may describe such studies in the project description.
- Activities not suitable for award include travel to increase familiarity with Mexico, photographic excursions and general plant collecting.

**Award Determination**
Awardees will be determined based on applicant’s merit, need and appropriate intent of the project. Graduate Division will mail notifications of award status to applicants by May of the current year.

**Support**
This award provides a stipend for one quarter or for one year plus payment of in-state tuition and UC health insurance. Please note that nonresident supplemental tuition will not be provided. Departments may supplement with any combination of appointments up to an average of 35% time during the academic year. (In these cases, Graduate Student Fee Remission will pay fees/UCSHIP from the salary account. The Graduate Division will pay the balance of fees if needed.)

**Application Materials**
- This form (2 pages). International students may provide the (Pg. 2) financial statement in lieu of FAFSA information
- 1 letter of recommendation from the student’s faculty advisor; letter must be sealed
- Curriculum Vitae (1-page maximum, single-spaced)
- Description of research project (one to two pages, single-spaced)
  - Succinctly state your objective and the significance of your research; indicate how the topic fits the eligibility requirements of the fellowship; describe your general and specific interests in biological research; tell why the site is important to the study; give a detailed but brief budget of research costs (may include travel, supplies and minor equipment costs); give a study plan and goals and briefly discuss your qualifications for the study

**Applicant’s Information**

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<td>Project Title (or keywords):________</td>
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OLIVIA LONG CONVERSE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COVER SHEET 2019-20
CALCULATION OF UNMET FINANCIAL NEED – INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-20

Name _______________________________ Perm __________________
Phone ___________________ E-mail _______________________________
Country of Citizenship ____________________________________________

Address
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip ____________

Permanent Address
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip ____________

Gender □ Male □ Female Birthdate __________________ Entered UCSB ____________
Quarter Year

Married? □ YES □ NO Spouse’s Name ________________________________
Spouse in U.S.? □ YES □ NO Spouse’s Citizenship ______________________
Is spouse a UCSB student? □ YES □ NO
If yes, list funding from UCSB ___________________________________
Spouse working? □ YES □ NO Employer ______________________________
Monthly Salary ___________________________ Employer’s Phone Number ________
If you have children, are they in the U.S.? □ YES □ NO
Names and ages __________________________________

Financial Information

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Total Unmet Financial Need (Expenses Less Family/Student Contribution)
The information that I have given above is true and correct. If I receive any additional aid, I will contact the Graduate Division.

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________________

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