

OLIVIA LONG CONVERSE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COVER SHEET 2015-16

Application due March 20, 2015 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 \$7,500) or for one academic year (maximum stipend \$22,000) 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 2015
- Must be within normative time or time-to-degree standards and 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

Name: _____	Perm #: _____
Department: _____	E-mail: _____
Project Title (or keywords): _____	Phone: _____
_____	Faculty Mentor: _____
Date advanced: _____	If not, date expected: _____
Did you complete the 2015-16 FAFSA?	Y N If Yes, date submitted: _____
Signature: _____	Date: _____

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CALCULATION OF UNMET FINANCIAL NEED – INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-16

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

Expenses for 2015-16 <small>(based on 2014-15 fees)</small>		Family/Student Contribution for 2015-16	
Graduate Student Fees	13,115	From Parents, Relatives, Spouse	_____
Nonresident Tuition	15,102	Savings, Investment Income	_____
Health Insurance	2,568		
Living (rent, food, utilities, phone)	15,806		
Books and Supplies	1,403		
Personal Expenses	1,895		
Transportation	1,012		
Loan Repayments	108		
Subtotal - Expenses	51,009	Subtotal - Family/Student Contribution	_____

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 _____