CALL FOR PROPOSALS
CRS DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS
2020-2021

Deadline for Applications: May 15, 2020 at 11:59 pm

The Center for Regional Studies (CRS) is currently accepting applications for Doctoral Fellowships during the 2020-2021 academic year. Students selected for the fellowships will receive scholarships at $9,000 per semester. Some awards may cover the academic year for both fall and spring semesters; others will be available for one semester only, either fall or spring. Students select the one semester most critical for the completion of their project. Fellowships must be project-based research and conducted under the mentorship of a UNM faculty member who holds a tenured or tenure-track appointment in the department that pertains to the student’s degree program.

Topics and themes of research are open with preference for projects that support doctoral degree completion and advance the student’s graduation timetable. Priority will be given to topics in the humanities, social sciences, education and the arts. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to, dissertations that are in-progress or will commence during the period of the CRS award, as well as research reports, exhibits or other creative works applicable to the student’s doctoral field of studies. The project must be defined in terms of start and ending dates to include benchmarks and a final deliverable. All applications must address how the results coincide with or support the mission of the Center for Regional Studies.

Eligibility Criteria

Only students enrolled in and pursuing a UNM doctoral degree are eligible to apply. Doctoral students must have completed a minimum of six credit hours in doctoral coursework prior to the start of the fall 2020 semester with a GPA of 3.00 and exhibit progress in reaching advanced standing in the 2020-2021 academic year. A current transcript must include proof of enrollment during the spring 2020 semester.

All fellowships will be administered by the Center for Regional Studies and the awards will be made to the student at the start of each semester. All CRS fellowship awards will be subject to UNM policies regarding COVID 19 as they affect students and faculty engaged in research. In addition, final decisions about the awards are contingent upon the availability of funds in the CRS budget as impacted by COVID 19 financial restrictions. Students must enroll in a minimum of six credit hours during the period of award. Students whose CRS award continues from the fall to the spring semester must submit proof of spring semester enrollment and an academic transcript with posted credits and grades earned.
**Application Packet**

Students must submit a CRS Doctoral Fellowships Application Packet that includes a Cover Sheet, an Applicant Statement & Project Abstract, a Resume, and a Current Transcript that includes course enrollment for spring 2020. Templates for these documents are included in the Application Packet which is available at the CRS website [crsinfo.unm.edu](http://crsinfo.unm.edu) or upon request from CRS [crsunm@unm.edu](mailto:crsunm@unm.edu). The Application Packet, including attachments, should be submitted as a single PDF file to: [crsunm@unm.edu](mailto:crsunm@unm.edu).

**Supporting Letter**

In addition, a letter of endorsement from the faculty mentor should be requested by the student. This letter is *not* part of the application packet and must be submitted by the faculty mentor directly to the Center for Regional Studies: [crsunm@unm.edu](mailto:crsunm@unm.edu).

**CRS Mission Statement**

The mission of CRS is to promote the discovery, creation, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about New Mexico and the Southwest Region. CRS encourages inquiry and debate over the interpretation and analysis of historical and contemporary questions and public policy issues in a regional context. To create and develop knowledge, CRS also supports the gathering, preservation and accessibility of archival materials about New Mexico and other comparative regions in the Americas and Iberia.