

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS 2017-2018

#### CENTER FOR REGIONAL STUDIES UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

**Deadline for Applications: July 7, 2017**

The Center for Regional Studies is currently accepting applications for graduate fellowships during the 2017-2018 academic year. Awards will cover student salaries for the fall and spring at \$7,500 or \$15,000 for the academic year. Graduate fellowships will be offered either as **Research Assistantships** or **Project Assistantships** depending on the nature of work to be performed by the student. Applications must be received by the deadline date of July 7, 2017 at 5:00 pm. An assistantship is a financial award to a graduate student while pursuing study toward an advanced degree. Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate degree program at UNM and carry a minimum of six credits each semester toward completion of the degree.

#### **Definitions**

**Research Assistant (RA):** assists in research work that is relevant to the assistant's thesis, dissertation or other requirement for a graduate degree. Students can also assist faculty in cases where they need an assistant to help with certain aspects of faculty research, whether as part of a sponsored grant or as an independent study with preference given to assistantships developed around research training and skill capacity building in keeping with the CRS mission and that will improve the student's success in a degree program.

**Project Assistant (PA):** performs work required by a research grant, contract or special project that is not necessarily directly related to degree requirements as in the example of archival projects, museum exhibit development, collection of materials, and others. Employment associated with administrative/office support should not be classified as a project assistantship and cannot be supported by this award.

#### **Mission**

The mission of CRS is to promote the discovery, creation, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge about New Mexico and the Southwest. In particular, 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 the accessibility of archival materials about New Mexico and other comparative regions in the Americas and Iberia.

### **Eligibility and Application Procedures 2017-2018**

All graduate fellowships will be administered by the Center for Regional Studies and a schedule of payments established in an OGS contract in accordance with UNM eligibility requirements. Once accepted, students will be hired under the organizational code of the unit supervising the work to be performed. The unit, or faculty sponsor, will provide the student and CRS with a description of duties and responsibilities during the academic year. Summer and inter-session fellowships are not available. Eligibility requirements include a GPA of 3.0 or better; enrollment in six hours minimum per semester during the award period in a degree-granting program or college; and proof of enrollment for each semester awarded. All applicants must submit a Graduate Fellowships Application Form and attach the documents requested in the Application Form.

In the letter of intent, applicants should describe their educational goals and how the graduate fellowship (RA or PA) will help advance their academic program of studies and assist with degree completion. The letter should also detail the scope of work to be performed and how the results or deliverables coincide with or support the mission of the Center for Regional Studies. The Graduate Fellowships application form and the documents requested in the application form should be addressed to: Dr. A. Gabriel Meléndez, Center for Regional Studies, Hokona Hall, Room 356/MSC05 3020.

### **Submission of Application:**

The application must be submitted in electronic format. Applications must be submitted as a single PDF file of all materials and appendices via [crsunm@unm.edu](mailto:crsunm@unm.edu) or alternatively, [gabriel@unm.edu](mailto:gabriel@unm.edu).