CALL FOR PROPOSALS

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS 2016-2017

CENTER FOR REGIONAL STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

Deadline for Applications: May 27, 2016

The Center for Regional Studies is currently accepting applications for graduate fellowships during the 2016-2017 academic year. Awards will cover student salaries for the fall and spring at $7,500 per semester, 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 May 27, 2016 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 assistants are engaged in a research study under the mentorship of a UNM faculty member such as theses or dissertation research, or other requirements for a graduate degree. Students can also assist faculty in cases where they need an assistant to help with certain aspects of their research, whether a sponsored grant or an independent study.

Project assistants provide research or project support to a unit or a faculty member that is not necessarily directly related to degree requirements, as in the example of archival projects, museum exhibit development, collection of materials, and others, with the exclusion of administrative duties or office support.

Mission

The CRS mission 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 2016-2017**

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 at this time. 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 submitted to: Marina Cadena, Unit Administrator 3, Center for Regional Studies, Hokona Hall, Room 358/MSC05 3020.

**Submission of Application:**

The application must be submitted in electronic format. Applications must be submitted as a single PDF file of the entire grant and all accompanying materials & Appendices via crsunm@unm.edu