*Students eligible for this fellowship were contacted directly*

Dear Students,

You are receiving this email as you were identified as an eligible for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)!

The National Science Foundation offers fellowships to students in the early stages of pursuing a research-based Master's or Ph.D. degree. The Graduate Research Fellowship Program affords our nation's research leaders of tomorrow exceptional funding with three years of graduate support worth thousands of dollars.

**GRFP Fellows Receive the Following:**

- Three years of support
  - $37,000 annual stipend
  - $12,000 cost-of-education allowance to institution
- Supercomputer access
- Opportunities to apply for the NSF INTERN program

**UCI NSF Programs (All programs held virtually) – If interested in this program, we strongly recommend attending these sessions.**

**NSF Information Session**  
*Tuesday, August 8, 2023*  
*9 AM – 10 AM*

Description: This session will focus on the basics of applying for the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program, including a brief history of the organization and fellowship program, basic eligibility, application materials and an introduction to the concepts of intellectual merit and broader impact criteria.

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**NSF Writing your Graduate Research Plan**  
*Thursday, August 10, 2023*  
*2 PM – 3 PM*
Description: This session will focus on the Graduate Research Plan document, covering expectations for this document, the differences between basic and applied research, and strategies for incorporating intellectual merit and broader concepts into your plan. Participants will also be walked through a short exercise aimed at helping you to start drafting your statement.

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*NSF Writing your Personal Background and Relevant Goals Statement*

*Tuesday, August 15, 2023*

*9 AM – 10 AM*

Description: This session will focus on the Personal, Relevant Background and Future Goals Statement, which allows the applicants to tell their personal story to the National Science Foundation. Participants will be given an overview of this document, and learn strategies for speaking to their personal intellectual merit and broader impact. This session will also include a short brainstorming activity to help participants get started drafting this document.

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For more information about other Graduate Division programs and events, visit our [Campus Groups Page](#)!

**Other Graduate Division Resources for Fellowship Writing**

**Fellowship Mentors:** Fellowship mentors are fellow graduate students who received the NSF GRFP who can help you with any part of the application process, stemming from pre-writing and strategizing, to providing feedback on already drafted documents. Appointments can be made through campus groups (available in August). More information about Fellowship Mentors will be emailed in August, once they are available for appointments.

**Writing Consultants:** Peer graduate students who have strong writing experiences provide one-on-one writing feedback, including fellowship application materials.

Click [here](#) to make an appointment.

**Fellowship Advising with Dr. Anderson-Natale:** One-on-one meetings with Dr. Anderson-Natale to ask questions about fellowship applications, and to get non-writing feedback on applications.

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