



ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowship Nomination Deadline: Friday, January 30, 2009

ICGC-MACARTHUR SCHOLARS FELLOWSHIP

ICGC seeks qualified candidates for ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowships by means of departmental nomination. The ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowship is funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Nominees for ICGC-MacArthur Scholar Fellowships should have backgrounds and interests which identify them as outstanding students who are clearly committed to the interdisciplinary study of the global south in the context of global change. We encourage

nomination of exceptionally capable students, especially but not only from the global south and U.S. communities of color.

ELIGIBILITY FOR A FELLOWSHIP

Prospective fellowship candidates must have earned at least a Bachelor's degree and have the desire to pursue a graduate degree at the Twin Cities campus of the University of Minnesota. To be considered for the **ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowship**, only students entering doctoral programs in the Colleges of Food, Agriculture, and Natural Resource Sciences; Biological Sciences; and Liberal Arts; and the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and the School of Public Health are eligible. Students *must be nominated* for these fellowships by the department or college in which they will be enrolled. The student must also be admitted to a graduate or professional degree program by fall 2008. In reviewing nominees ICGC gives priority to demonstrated academic excellence and commitment to the issues of the global south and disadvantaged communities.

AWARDS

Awards vary in amount and duration, up to \$20,000 in the first year of study. Transportation costs to Minnesota are not covered. Departments in which doctoral students are enrolled arrange individual financial assistance packages of varying amounts during the second and third years of study, usually through research or teaching assistantships. Upon successful completion of all coursework and of oral and written doctoral qualifying examinations, ICGC will provide a minimum of \$10,000 in dissertation-year support.

In addition, recipients of ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowships who are in Ph.D. programs are eligible to enter a competition for ICGC Predissertation Fieldwork Grants to undertake preliminary exploratory travel to the area of their proposed dissertation research. Students pursuing professional Master's degrees (and in some cases, students pursuing the Ph.D.) are eligible to apply for ICGC International Internship Awards to help defray costs of international travel and housing if they choose to intern with an organization working on global issues. The minimum award for both pre-dissertation and internship grants will be \$3,000.

As an integral part of their award, all fellowship recipients participate in the interdisciplinary seminars offered each year by the ICGC and designed specifically for them. These may be audited or taken for academic credit in partial fulfillment of the Ph.D. Minor in Development Studies and Social Change. Students have the opportunity to present their own research and interests in informal seminars and also meet in weekly gatherings with other ICGC Scholars and faculty. ICGC also sponsors a public lecture series along with meetings with visiting scholars.

TO APPLY FOR A FELLOWSHIP

Students may indicate their interest in being nominated for the ICGC-MacArthur Scholars Fellowship by completing and sending a **Request for Departmental Nomination** form along with their application for admission to graduate study to the department or school of intended enrollment (generally before mid-December, 2008), as *only* nominations by the departments will be considered. Students then send a **Notification of Interest** form and personal statement of interest directly to ICGC. The **Request for Departmental Nomination** form, **Notification of Interest** form, **Guidelines** and **Application** are available on the ICGC website: www.icgc.umn.edu or by contacting ICGC. Requests for ICGC fellowship application forms are also accepted by telephone, e-mail, University of Minnesota campus mail, or U.S. mail.

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For information and application materials for study in the College of Liberal Arts, College of Biological Sciences, or School of Public Health write to: Director of Graduate Studies, (Department Name), University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455, USA. For departments in the College of Food, Agriculture, and Natural Resource Sciences, address the request to the appropriate department at the University of Minnesota, Saint Paul, MN 55108, USA. These materials are also available through links to the various departments and schools on the University's website: www.umn.edu

ICGC OBJECTIVES

The Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change (ICGC) seeks to foster an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural community of faculty and students committed to studying global change, especially as seen in the global south and in communities of color within North America. It addresses issues of peace, international cooperation and conflict, security, social and environmental change, human rights and justice. Research and training encouraged by the Center focus on four broad dimensions of contemporary world society: global governance and transnational norms; environmental sustainability and social justice; war and peace in historical context; and the production, performance and representation of identities. Study of these issues may include local, national and transnational dimensions.

The Center fosters cross-disciplinary and faculty-student collaboration, and organizes interdisciplinary faculty-student seminars and workshop series for fellowship holders around major theoretical, comparative and methodological issues related to the developing world. Scholars, policy makers and activists address contemporary international developments in formal lectures and informal discussion series open to the public. In addition, ICGC offers a graduate minor in Development Studies and Social Change (DSSC). For more information about ICGC, go to www.icgc.umn.edu.

The deadline for receipt in ICGC of all materials, including nominations submitted by candidates' departments, is Friday, January 30, 2009.

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