

## WGST Dissertation/Thesis Fellowships 2016-17 Application Information



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WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES

The Women's and Gender Studies Program at Texas A&M University announces the availability of Graduate Dissertation/Thesis Fellowships, normally up to \$1,000 for dissertation research and up to \$750 for master's thesis research on projects relevant to Women's and Gender Studies. Topics might include the social construction of gender, gender-based discrimination, historical and contemporary representations of gender and sexuality, women's literature, women and politics, gender in various media, transnationalism, queer and feminist theory, reproduction, and other gender-related issues. Projects in any discipline are eligible for consideration, and those incorporating interdisciplinary perspectives are encouraged.

Fellowships may be used to cover costs associated with completing the dissertation or thesis, including but not limited to photocopying, travel to libraries, book purchases, and computer software necessary for research. **TAMU graduate students who are enrolled in or who have completed the WGST Graduate Certificate Program will receive priority. Award winners will be asked to give a presentation of their work in one of the two semesters immediately following the award.**

### **Eligibility:**

To be eligible for a Fellowship, Ph.D. and M.A. students must satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Student must have passed the preliminary examination or other departmental requirements except for the dissertation/thesis;
- (b) Student must be officially enrolled in the university;
- (c) The student must have a dissertation/thesis proposal on file with the Office of Graduate Studies (preferred) or must provide a letter from the dissertation/thesis chair documenting substantial progress toward developing a proposal.

### **Application:**

To apply for a Fellowship, the applicant should submit a completed application (instructions attached), including a cover sheet, a brief proposal describing the project, a budget summary, a 1-page curriculum vitae, and a copy of the proposal cover sheet on file with the Office of Graduate Studies (if available or required). Applicants must also ask their committee chairs to complete the recommendation form provided and to send this directly to the Women's and Gender Studies office by the October 17, 2016 deadline. Only complete application packets will be considered.

### **Other Requirements:**

Recipients of Dissertation/Thesis Fellowships will be required to submit a one-page final report, detailing how the funds were spent, and will be asked to present the results of their research at a colloquium during the academic year. If a funded dissertation results in publications, Fellowship recipients are asked to acknowledge the support they received from the Women's and Gender Studies Program.

### **Deadlines:**

The completed application must be submitted to the Women's and Gender Studies office by Monday, **October 17, 2016**. Deliver by email (preferred) to [annettej@tamu.edu](mailto:annettej@tamu.edu) or to BOLT 314.

## WGST Dissertation/Thesis Fellowships 2016-17 Application Packet



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Prepare an application packet including the following items:

- I. **Cover Sheet:** Please complete all requested items.
- II. **Proposal:** Write a brief proposal (600-800 words) addressing the following questions:
  - (a) What specific questions will be investigated? Briefly summarize the purpose and scope of your study.
  - (b) What is the significance of this research for women's and gender studies?
  - (c) What resources and research methods will you use?
  - (d) What other sources of funding have you sought/received for this project?
- III. **Budget:** Attach a brief budget outline, indicating categories of proposed expenditures and estimated amounts. Be as specific as possible.
- IV. **Curriculum Vitae:** Attach brief (1 page) curriculum vitae highlighting your educational background, professional experience, and your teaching, service, and research/publication activities related to women's and gender studies.
- V. **Dissertation/Thesis Proposal Cover Sheet, if available:** Attach a copy of the cover sheet of the proposal (with all signatures) filed with the Office of Graduate Studies, or a statement from the committee chair certifying your progress toward the proposal (as part of the letter described below in section VI.)
- VI. **Letter of Recommendation from Committee Chair:** This letter should include a recommendation as well as certification that the student has satisfactorily completed/will soon complete required course work and is ready to work on the thesis/dissertation.

Submit the complete application packet (Parts I -VI) to:

**Women's Studies and Gender Program**

Mailstop 4355

314 Bolton

**Fax:** 979-845-6125

**Email:** [annettej@tamu.edu](mailto:annettej@tamu.edu)

Application Deadline: **October 17, 2016**

For questions or further information, please call 845-7994 or email Annette Jackson ([annettej@tamu.edu](mailto:annettej@tamu.edu)).

**WGST Thesis/Dissertation Fellowships  
2016-17 Cover Sheet**



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Please accept my application for a Women's and Gender Studies Dissertation/Thesis Fellowship.

*(Please Print)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

UIN: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Sought: \_\_\_\_\_

WGST Graduate Certificate Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Title of Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of Proposed Project (100 words):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Committee Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Submit one copy of the complete application packet to:**

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**WGST Dissertation/Thesis Fellowships  
2016-17 Committee Chair  
Recommendation Form**



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The following student is applying for a fellowship to support dissertation/thesis research relevant to women's and gender studies. Please complete this recommendation form and return to the Women's and Gender Studies Program office, Mailstop 4355, 314 Bolton, or email [annettej@tamu.edu](mailto:annettej@tamu.edu) by **Monday October 17, 2016**.

**Part A:** (to be filled in by the applicant)

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby [ waive  do not waive] my right to view this recommendation.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part B:** (to be completed by the student's Committee Chair)

1. Has the student completed required coursework and departmental requirements other than the dissertation (preliminary exams, area papers, etc.)?

Yes  No If no, please provide explanation.

2. If the student does not have a proposal on file in the Graduate Studies Office, please indicate the progress the student has made toward developing a proposal.

3. Please attach a letter evaluating the student in terms of his/her academic ability and professional promise, and the likelihood that the dissertation or thesis will be completed successfully and in a timely manner.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_