Message From the Dean

In an attempt to help research faculty support more doctoral students, UGS has teamed up with DoR to offer two new initiatives. The underlying pur-
pose of these initiatives is to leverage extramural funds to maximize graduate student recruitment and to attract quality students.

1. Research Fellowships: These fellowships are intended as recruitment incentives for the purpose of attracting top-quality doctoral students on research projects. Each fellowship carries $5,000 to be used to sup-
plement the stipend of a new doctoral research assistant. About fifteen fellowships will be offered in 2012 - 13. These are one-time fellowships and are non-renewable.

2. Tuition Waiver Awards: For every doctoral student whose tuition is paid from an external grant, UGS will award a free tuition waiver to the PI to be used on another doctoral student in the same or in a different grant proposal. These awards are in addition to other incentives that units and colleges might be providing.

These initiatives will be administered by the UGS-DoR Grants Office. Facul-
ty PIs should make written requests to Dr. Arie Spirgel (aspirgel@fiu.edu), Co-
ordinator, Graduate Grants, and provide the necessary information, which for the Tuition Waiver Awards should include grant information, and for the Re-
search Fellowships should include the doctoral applicant’s credentials and demonstra-
ion of need for the recruitment incentive.

These initiatives will be instituted on a trial basis. Their effectiveness will be reviewed at the end of the 2012-13 academic year by the UGS advisory committee before continuing them in subsequent years.

Thank you,

Lauren [Signature]
Dean of the Graduate School

Graduate Events

Graduate Admissions Training

The Graduate Admissions Office will be holding training sessions during the month of November. Topics to be covered include Queries, Admissions Rec-
ommendations, Navigating PantherSoft and much more. Additional infor-
mation will be communicated to each College/School in the next few days.

University Graduate School Open House

UGS is holding its annual Open House on Saturday, November 10th from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Graham Center Ballrooms. This year we are changing the program to include both prospective students and spring 2013 admitted students. This major recruitment event is a great opportunity to showcase your programs while connecting with interested prospective students and stu-
dents recently admitted to FIU.

To reserve a table for the Information Fair and a spot on the Breakout Ses-
lections. For more information, please contact Ana Rosado (aronosado@fiu.edu).

2013 McKnight Doctoral Fellowship

The Florida Education Fund’s McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program is de-
signed to increase the pool of candidates qualified with Ph.D. degrees to teach at the college and university levels.

The McKnight Fellowship is a great funding opportunity for talented under-
graduate seniors and master’s degree students who plan to pursue a Ph.D. This five-year fellowship includes a $12,500 stipend plus a $10,000 UGS enhance-
ment per year for the first three years, followed by a graduate assistantship for years four and five. Recipients also receive a tuition waiver and health insur-
ance. Any questions regarding the application process can be directed to Dr. Sonja Montas-Hunter (sonjamon@fiu.edu). Students apply online at

UGS Marketing Request for Department Photos

UGS will be creating new marketing materials in preparation for the Spring semester. These materials will consist of flyers, banners, publications, digital ad-
vertising, and more. UGS wants to ensure that every department and pro-
gram has the opportunity to represent their research, faculty, facilities, and students. To ensure this, we would like to request any high-resolution images you would like to have present in our new marketing materials. To submit your photos, or to request for us to take them for you at a future research event, colloquium, or other department function, please email UGS Marketing Coor-
inator Daniel Pimentel at dapiment@fiu.edu.

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Importante Deadlines

UGS Marketing Coordinator Daniel Pimentel at dapiment@fiu.edu.