UGS is proud to release its 2011–12 Annual Report. The report highlights key numbers and trends, celebrates Provost Award recipients, highlights the 2011–12 FIU Graduate Fellows (Presidential, DYP, DEA, McKnight and McNair), and lists the doctoral dissertations produced from Summer Semester 2011 through Spring Semester 2012. We wanted to spotlight the fellowship recipients from all of our colleges in the Annual Report; however, we received very few responses when we reached out to students and unit representatives. We hope to see more involvement in the future so we are able to represent all of our colleges in subsequent annual reports.

Please feel free to share the Annual Report, which is located on our website at gradschool.fiu.edu/Annual_Report.html. A limited number of hard copies are also available. Please contact any of our staff members should you wish to receive one.

Thank you,
Graduate Recruitment Resources

There are many approaches to identifying promising scholars and the successful recruitment of graduate students requires not only commitment of resources, but a strategic plan that takes into account an individual unit’s needs and resources. The University Graduate School supports academic units in implementing best practices and developing strategic recruitment plans that will result in attracting quality graduate students to graduate programs. For more information on the UGS recruitment initiatives, including the 2012-13 Recruitment Calendar, please visit: gradschool.fiu.edu/Recruitment_Resources.

ASM International Student Paper Contest Winner

Congratulations to recent FIU doctoral graduate, Dr. Indranil Lahiri, from the Mechanical Engineering program for winning the 2012 ASM International Student Paper Contest. This prestigious honor is awarded to students from top materials programs across the country and will be awarded to Dr. Lahiri at the Annual ASM Conference in Pittsburgh this October. Dr. Lahiri completed his PhD under Dr. Wonbong Choi and is currently a postdoctoral researcher at FIU.

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Winner

Congratulations to FIU master’s student Michael Guzman from the Music Education program for winning a NSF Graduate Research Fellowship this past spring. This is a prestigious honor awarded to some of the top graduate students in the United States and comes with a generous three-year stipend that allows students to focus on their research while attending graduate school. Michael is one of three FIU students who received this award this year, which is an incredible accomplishment given the extremely limited number of awards and the overwhelming number of applications the NSF receives annually.

Graduate Program Contact Information

Graduate Admissions is currently updating their records and requires your assistance in identifying the person responsible for the graduate program in your area (if this will be changing between now and fall and you know who will be responsible beginning in fall please provide that name as well). If someone else is responsible for graduate certificates make sure to include this information. This will ensure that prospective students are referred to the appropriate individual as well as help us maintain accurate information on our website and within the Panthersoft system. Please send all updates to Nanett Rojas (rojasn@fiu.edu) by Friday, June 29th, 2012.

The University Graduate School is now on Facebook! Please ‘Like Us’ and ‘Share Us’ with your friends.