Research Fellow
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OVERVIEW:
The Research Fellow classification provides individuals who have completed the requirements of a terminal academic degree program (or all the requirements except the dissertation) with an opportunity to work on a research project or study for the CSU. Appointments to this classification are temporary in nature and of limited duration. Research Fellow positions generally are funded through grants, contracts or other sources.

Under the mentorship of a principal investigator or administrator, the Research Fellow performs a variety of work in support of a research project or scholarly activities which enhance teaching skills and effectiveness. Incumbents may assist in preparing grant proposals and progress reports and may supervise undergraduate students and/or graduate students working on the project.

The Research Fellow classification is distinguished from the Teaching Associate and Lecturer classifications by assignments that primarily involve research rather than classroom instruction. Unlike the Teaching Associate, Graduate Assistant or Student Assistant classifications, this classification does not require enrollment as a student or admission in a CSU academic degree program.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS:
To enter this classification, an individual normally must have completed the requirements of a terminal academic degree program from an accredited institution of higher education or the equivalent.