

2020-21 SUMMER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE APPLICATION

CALIFORNIA PRE-DOCTORAL PROGRAM

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INTRODUCTION

All current Sally Casanova California Pre-Doctoral scholars have the opportunity to participate in a summer research experience at a University of California (UC) or another accredited doctoral-granting institution within California, or anywhere in the United States. Summer research experiences will not be approved for a doctoral-granting institution outside the United States or at a CSU campus. The purpose of the summer research experience is to allow the scholar to pursue doctoral-level research (or performance/studio workshops for scholars of the arts) under the guidance of a faculty member at an institution of their choice. Past recipients of summer research experiences speak enthusiastically about how exciting and valuable the experience was for them. They particularly emphasize that these experiences helped them make essential contacts that helped with graduate school admissions or the assembling of dissertation committees. These experiences also helped scholars assess their readiness for, and expectations concerning, doctoral study.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Most of the UC summer research programs, and some at other major research universities, are structured programs that incorporate a wide range of preparatory activities. These may include workshops on financial aid, assistance in preparing for the Graduate Record Examination, lectures or seminars on the doctoral experience, colloquia with noted researchers, and cultural excursions. Students conduct research with a noted professor in their field of interest and may have an opportunity to present their research at the end of the program. In the UC system, summer research scholars generally live in residence in the dormitories on campus. Programs at non-UC institutions vary greatly and may or may not be as structured as this description indicates.

WHO MAY APPLY?

The summer research experience is only open to current Sally Casanova California Pre-Doctoral scholars (both undergraduate and graduate) in all fields of study. Scholars who accept admittance into a Ph.D. program for the fall 2021 year are encouraged to apply and summer research will be granted based on available funding. Scholars may design their own summer research experience in consultation with a faculty mentor from a UC or at another doctoral institution. The summer research experience is only available during your scholarship year.

COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUMMER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The summer research experience is funded by the California Pre-Doctoral Program. This includes travel to the doctoral institution, housing, food, and program costs. The program also pays a summer research stipend that typically ranges from \$4,000 to \$5,000, depending on the budget and on the program to which one applies. The stipend pays for 8 to 10 weeks of research, 40 hours a week. Because of the time demands of the summer research experience, scholars may not work elsewhere during this time period. Scholars may have additional costs that are beyond the above listed expenses and are encouraged to budget accordingly for such expenses.

FINDING A FACULTY SPONSOR

Scholars are strongly encouraged to identify and make contact with a potential faculty sponsor at the doctoral institution in which they are most interested. Scholars should not be afraid to directly propose, to the faculty member, the possibility of working together in the summer research experience. Remember, faculty members are not above a little self-interest, so they will readily see the attractiveness of a summer research scholar who does not have to compete for scarce research funding. It has been our experience that such directly negotiated pre-agreements result in faster placements and more successful summer research experiences. Scholars are encouraged to consult with their Pre-Doctoral Program faculty mentor for suggestions on where to apply and with whom they should seek to work. During their scholarship year, scholars can also take advantage of their virtual visits to doctoral institutions by inquiring about summer research experience possibilities during those visits. Some scholars select a faculty sponsor by obtaining lists of faculty and their research interests directly from doctoral institutions or by searching the Internet for faculty who work in their area of interest. Once a faculty member has been identified, scholars, or their Pre-Doctoral Program faculty mentor, are encouraged to initiate contact with the faculty. UC summer research coordinators also maintain contact with faculty who are interested in working with Pre-Doctoral scholars. A UC summer research experience coordinator will also initiate the contact with the faculty member whose name is listed on the attached application.

WHAT UNIVERSITY MAY I ATTEND?

Scholars may receive financial support to attend a summer research experience at any accredited U.S. doctoral-granting institution. Because the Pre-Doctoral Program has joint agreements with the University of California, the application and acceptance processes for the UC campuses are simplified. In the case of a research experience at a doctoral-granting university other than the UC, you are responsible for contacting that institution for help in making arrangements for admission, housing, and faculty sponsorship. The Pre-Doctoral Director will then work with the scholar and the contact person at that university to determine other needs.

HOW TO APPLY

The Summer Research Internship Application Form is attached to this application packet. It can also be downloaded from the California Pre-Doctoral Program website at www.calstate.edu/predoc/. Please **TYPE** your application and email the form to the Pre-Doc office. **Please note that your CSU faculty mentor must approve your application as indicated by her/his signature on page two of the application.** Because the California Pre-Doctoral Program has pre-set agreements with the University of California, many of the UC campuses make special arrangements for the Pre-Doctoral Scholars; therefore, all applications must go through the CSU Pre-Doctoral Program at the Office of the Chancellor. After applying to the summer research program, **scholars who accept admittance into a Ph.D. program for fall 2021, are required to notify the Pre-Doctoral Program Director.**

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Once again, scholars are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities offered to them by the California Pre-Doctoral Program, especially the chance to undertake research with a scholar in their field at a doctoral granting institution. The Pre-Doctoral office is here to help facilitate that process. If you have any questions, or if you have special circumstances that you feel may need to be addressed, please e-mail me or call (562) 951-4706.

Dr. Maridith Janssen, Director
California Pre-Doctoral Program

Please email the completed application to:

Dr. Maridith Janssen
E-mail: mjanssen@calstate.edu

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DEADLINE
Friday
February 12, 2021

****** This application MUST be typed ******

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Student Campus ID Number: _____

1. I would like to participate in a 2021 Summer Research Experience Program at:

► My first choice is a: UC Campus Non UC Campus

Campus Name: _____ Professor Name: _____

Department: _____ Professor Title: _____

Program Name: _____ Professor Email: _____

I have applied or plan to apply to graduate school at this campus: Have applied Plan to apply Neither

► My second choice is a: UC Campus Non UC Campus

Campus Name: _____ Professor Name: _____

Department: _____ Professor Title: _____

Program Name: _____ Professor Email: _____

I have applied or plan to apply to graduate school at this campus: Have applied Plan to apply Neither

► My third choice is a: UC Campus Non UC Campus

Campus Name: _____ Professor Name: _____

Department: _____ Professor Title: _____

Program Name: _____ Professor Email: _____

I have applied or plan to apply to graduate school at this campus: Have applied Plan to apply Neither

2. Class Level: Junior Senior Masters

3. CSU Campus you attend: _____ Major: _____

4. Name of CSU Faculty Mentor: _____ Email: _____

5. Expected date of graduation from your current program: _____

6. When do you expect to enroll in a doctorate program? _____

7. Check the appropriate box below with regard to your summer research experience:
- I intend to *relocate* if selected to attend a UC campus or other doctoral granting institution.
- I intend to *commute* if selected to attend a UC campus or other doctoral granting institution.

8. Please check the box that indicates your skill level in each of the categories listed below:

Excellent Good Needs Development

- Library Use
- Writing Techniques
- Laboratory Experience
- Computer Literacy

9. If you are fluent in languages other than English, please list them: _____

DEADLINES

- a. The deadline for submitting the application is **February 12, 2021**. No applications will be accepted after this date.
- b. The deadline for finalizing all the arrangements for research experience is **May 7, 2021**. No modifications will be allowed after that date. Any research site not finalized by **May 7, 2021** will not be funded.

ESSAYS

Please provide brief responses (must be 200 to 300 words per essay) to the following items. Please use separate paper and attach to this application.

- a. Describe the research or performance/studio workshop activity that you would ideally like to pursue during your Summer Research Experience.
- b. Describe your qualifications for this experience. Include any other related research experiences you have had.
- c. State what you expect to accomplish during a summer research experience.

SIGNATURES

Signature of Scholar: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature of CSU Pre-Doctoral Faculty Mentor: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

IMPORTANT: We will not process applications that do not have both the scholar signature and your CSU campus Pre-Doctoral Mentor signature.

Scholars are required to notify the California Pre-Doctoral Program Director when they accept admittance into a Ph.D. program for the fall 2021 year.

Signature of Pre-Doc Program Director: _____ Date: _____

