

# THE GRADUATE SOURCE

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## UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES . . .



### **2015 National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Competition**

Student must be accepted to a master's or PhD program on or before May 1, 2015. Students who have completed more than 12 months of graduate study as of August 1, 2014 are ineligible.

Application deadlines:

**October 29, 2014:** Computer and Information Science and Engineering

**October 29, 2014:** Engineering

**October 29, 2014:** Materials Research

**October 30, 2014:** Chemistry

**October 30, 2014:** Mathematical Sciences

**October 30, 2014:** Physics and Astronomy

**November 3, 2014:** Psychology

**November 3, 2014:** Social Sciences

**November 3, 2014:** STEM Education and Learning

**November 4, 2014:** Geosciences

**November 4, 2014:** Life Sciences

<https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/grfp/Login.do>

**AAUW American Fellowships.** Provides funding for women completing dissertation work or post-doctoral studies. This year's application deadline is **November 15, 2014.**

<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/american-fellowships/>

**AAUW International Fellowships.** Provides funding for women who are not residents or citizens of the United States completing master's, doctoral, or post-doctoral studies. This year's application deadline is **December 1, 2014.**

<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships/>

**EAPSI Program.** The East Asia and Pacific Summer Institutes is an excellent opportunity for U.S. graduate students. Deadline for Summer 2015 is **November 13, 2014.** <http://www.nsf.gov/eapsi>

### **2015 PEO IPS Award Competition**

opens September 15, contact Julie Goodliffe at

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<http://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips>

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOW SPOTLIGHT . . .

**Molly Welsh**, a doctoral student in the Infrastructure and Environmental Systems program and master's student in the Earth Sciences program, is the recipient of the **2014 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship**. She was previously awarded the **URI President's Award**. Her research focuses on the influence of stream restoration on water quality in agricultural watersheds. Molly is a member of the Society for Freshwater Science, North Carolina Water Resource Association, and Earth Science Women's Network. She earned her BS in Environmental Science and Management with a minor in Marine and Environmental Policy from the University of Rhode Island.



## MORE STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT . . .

**Jason Case**, a doctoral student in the Optical Science & Engineering program, is the recipient of the **2014-15 Lucille P. and Edward C. Giles Dissertation-Year Graduate Fellowship**. He has been recognized as the Outstanding Teaching Assistant of the Year in the Department of Physics and Optical Science in 2012. Jason's research is focused on creating a technique to accurately map vasculature structures of the human body using mid-infrared imaging. Jason received his BS in Physics and MS in Applied Physics from UNC Charlotte.



**Yousra Javed**, a doctoral student in the Computing and Information systems program, is the recipient of the **2014 PEO International Peace Scholarship (IPS)**. Yousra's research focuses on usable security and privacy social networks. She received her BS and MS degrees in Information and Communication Systems Engineering from the NUST School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science in Pakistan.



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**Claire Schuch**, a doctoral student in the Geography and Urban Regional Analysis program, is the recipient of the **2014-15 Pruitt Fellowship** from the Society of Women Geographers. She was also a recipient of the **National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant** and the **2013-14 Joanna R. Baker Memorial Graduate Fellowship**. Her research interests include community health, social disparities, and globalization. She is a Research Assistant for the Social Determinants of Health Study. Claire received her BA in Geography and International studies with a concentration in Community and Global Health from Macalester College in St. Paul, MN.

**Ada Uche**, a doctoral student in the Public Policy program is the recipient of the **2014-15 AERA Minority Dissertation Fellowship in Educational Research**.

Ada's work focuses on student achievement in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). Her research interest includes individual and institutional policies that impact STEM retention and graduation, diversity in the STEM disciplines for females and underrepresented minority, and factors that predict STEM success. Ada received her BS in Political Science and MS in International Relations from the University of Port-Harcourt, Nigeria.



## RESIDENCY DETERMINATION OFFICE. . .

Each semester the Residency Determination Office (RDO) accepts applications for North Carolina Residency for tuition purposes. Non-resident students who apply and are approved save over \$12,000 in tuition costs per year! Applications are reviewed as they are received and are typically due by the fifth day of the semester by 5:00 pm. The RDO also makes determinations about the military tuition benefit. You may visit the RDO in 114 Denny Hall, call them at 704-687-2505, or review their website at <http://resdetermination.uncc.edu>.

## MORE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES...

**Ford Foundation Fellowships.** Provides funding for pre-doctoral, dissertation, and postdoctoral studies. This year's application deadlines begin **November 14, 2014**.

<http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/>

**NBCC Foundation Scholarship Programs.** Offers three scholarships to students in graduate counseling programs who commit to serving populations in rural areas or students who commit to serving military personnel after graduation. Applications will be available **September, 2014**. <http://www.nbccf.org/Programs>

**NVIDIA Graduate Fellowship Program.** Provides funding for doctoral students completing research to advance graphics and high performance computing. Check back during Fall 2014 for the 2015-16 Graduate Fellowship application instructions. <http://research.nvidia.com/relevant/graduate-fellowship-program>

**Principal Fellows Program.** Provides service-based loans to North Carolina residents seeking Master of School Administration degrees. Applications for the 2015-16 academic year are due **January 15, 2015**. <http://www.ncfp.org/prospective.htm>

**Phi Kappa Phi Fellowships.** For active members of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. Provides both \$5,000 awards for continuing graduate scholars and \$15,000 for outstanding first-year scholars. Application packets are typically due in spring for the future academic year. <http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/fellowship>

**U.S. Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship.** Offers funding to students who are working to provide research geared toward solving complex science and engineering problems. Applications are typically due in early **January** of each year. <http://www.krellinst.org/csgf/about-doe-csgf>

**National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program in Education Research.** Provides \$25,000 fellowships to support individuals whose dissertation shows potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world. Deadline to apply: **October 3, 2014**. [http://www.naeducation.org/NAED\\_080200.htm](http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080200.htm)

*Want to know about more opportunities?*

FastWEB— [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

Institute for Broadening Participation— [www.pathwaystoscience.org](http://www.pathwaystoscience.org)

International Education Financial Aid— [www.iefaf.org](http://www.iefaf.org)

## University Interest-Free Payment Plan

The enrollment period for Spring 2015 opens on November 4, 2014 and will continue until January 17, 2015.

Terms and conditions for the University Payment Plan can be found on the Student Accounts website at <http://finance.uncc.edu/controllers-office/student-accounts/payment-plan-options>