**UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES . . .**

**External Awards**

**NRC Research Associate Program.** Provides funding for students seeking to promote excellence in science and engineering by conducting research in sponsored federal laboratories. This program has four deadlines annually. The next application deadlines are **August 1 and Sept 1.**

[http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/RAP/PGA_046398](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/RAP/PGA_046398)

**Herbert Scoville, Jr. Peace Fellowship.** Provides a 6 to 9 month fellowship, in Washington, D.C., at non-profit and public interest organizations focusing on peace and security issues. Applications for spring 2016 fellowships are due **October 1.** [http://www.scoville.org/](http://www.scoville.org/)

**American Philosophical Society Franklin Research Grants.** Provides post-doctoral funding, in all subjects areas, for travel, printing, and other research related expenses. The next application deadline is **October 1.** [http://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/](http://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/)

**Ford Foundation Pre-doctoral Fellowships.** The pre-doctoral fellowships provide three years of support for individuals engaged in graduate study leading to a PhD or Sc.D. degree. Deadline will be in **November.** [http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/FordFellowships/PGA_047958](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/FordFellowships/PGA_047958)

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

Alexandra Dunn, a doctoral student in the Organizational Science program, has been awarded the **2015-2016 PEO Scholar Award** and is the recipient of the **2013 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship.** Her research interests include how the newcomer experience differs by personality type, the socialization process from the veteran’s perspective, perceived organizational support, and increasing the quality of survey data. Alex received her BA in Psychology, with minors in Business Administration and Neuroscience, from Elon University and her MS in Industrial Organizational Psychology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

**OTHER STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT . . .**

Colby Ford, a doctoral student in the Bioinformatics and Computational Biology program, is a recipient of the **2015-16 Wayland H. Cato Jr. First Year Doctoral Fellowship.** He was also the recipient of a full **Coffey Foundation Scholarship** for his undergraduate program. Colby’s interest include breast cancer research and diseases caused by DNA transcription errors. He received his BA in Applied Mathematics and his MS in Data Science and Business Analytics from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Vanna Sombatsaphay, a doctoral student in the Biology program, is a recipient of the **2015-16 Wayland H. Cato Jr. First Year Doctoral Fellowship.** Her research focuses on revealing the mechanisms by which estuarine residents cope with abiotic stress. Vanna’s paper “Phylogenetic diversity, developmental expression, and salinity-induced expression of aquaporins in the estuarine anemone *Nematostella vectensis*” won first prize in the Physical Science section at the 15th Annual Graduate Research Symposium at UNC Charlotte. She received her BA in Biology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Lydia Roos, a doctoral student in the Health Psychology program, is the recipient of the **2015-16 Herschel and Cornelia Everett Foundation First-Year Graduate Fellowship.** Her research interests include the roles of stress, exercise, mindfulness, and nutrition in inflammation and disease. Lydia received her BS in Psychology from the College of Charleston.

Lucille P. and Edward C. Giles Dissertation-Year Graduate Fellowship

**Deadline July 31, 2015**

The Giles Fellowship is awarded to promising students in their final stages of their doctoral work who demonstrate strong potential to make a significant contribution to society by completing their terminal degree. Award is $20,000 plus $1,000 travel allowance, full tuition support, all required fees, and health insurance. For more information, please visit [http://graduateschool.uncc.edu/funding-resources/philanthropic-awards/graduate-school/giles-dissertation-year-fellowship.](http://graduateschool.uncc.edu/funding-resources/philanthropic-awards/graduate-school/giles-dissertation-year-fellowship.)
MORE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT . . .

Gavin Iddings, a master’s student in the Economics program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 Herschel and Cornelia Everett First-Year Graduate Fellowship. Gavin also received a 2015 Undergraduate Research Conference Award. His current research is on the impact of the Dodd-Frank act on violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Gavin received his BS degree in Economics, with minors in Political Science and Statistics, from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Haley Twist, a master’s student in the Religious Studies program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 Faye Jacques Memorial Graduate Fellowship. She was also the recipient of the 2014-15 Richard A. Underwood Scholarship. Haley’s research focuses on the relationship between religion and the media in the contemporary U.S. She received her BA in Religious Studies with minors in Journalism and Film Studies, from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Melissa Quitadamo, a master’s student in the English program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 John Paul Lucas, Jr. Scholarship for Educational Leadership. She is also a recipient of the 2013 Charlotte Teacher’s Institute (CTI) Fellowship. Melissa taught English at North Mecklenburg High School for three years. In 2014, she published an article, Grammar, the Gateway to Language Manipulation. Melissa received her BA in English from Queen’s University.

Coline Dony, a doctoral student in the Geography and Urban Regional Analysis program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 Joanna R. Baker Memorial Graduate Fellowship. She is also the recipient of the G. Herbert Stout Award for Innovative Student Papers, a Thesis Award, Best Post Award, and Best Paper Award. Coline received her BA and MS degrees in Geography from the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium) and her MA in Geography from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Patricia Joplin, a master’s student in the Counseling program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 Zonta Club Scholarship. Patricia has been inducted in the Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society. She is currently a substance abuse counselor with Mecklenburg County PSO SACOT program at the Men’s Shelter. Patricia received her BS in Human Services from Gardner Webb University.

Paul Krynski, a master’s student in the Dual Degree Master of Architecture and Master of Urban Design program, is the recipient of the 2015-16 C DESIGN Scholarship in Practice. Paul spent the 2013-14 academic year teaching architectural classes at Sushant School of Art and Architecture in New Delhi, India. He received his BS in Architecture from Georgia Institute of Technology.

Yolanda Kennedy, a doctoral student in the Educational Leadership program, is the recipient of the Gates Millennium Scholarship. She was also named the 2014 Educational Policy Studies Department Outstanding Research, Measurement, and Statistics Student of the Year. Yolanda received her BS in Accounting from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and her MS in Educational Research from Georgia State University.

MORE UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES...

Microsoft PhD Fellowship Program. Fellowship is a two-year program for outstanding PhD students. Students must apply in second or third year of PhD studies. Deadline will be in October. http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/collaboration/awards/apply-us.aspx


NBCC Foundation Scholarship and Fellowship Program. Includes the Military Scholarship, Rural Scholarship, Minority Fellowship Programs, and GCDF Scholarship. Deadlines: May and September. http://www.nbccf.org/Programs/Scholarships


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GRAPES – www.gdnet.ucla.edu/erpinst.htm

Money Management Tips
GradSense— http://gradsense.org/gradsense

Interest-Free Payment Plan

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.