

2017-18 Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Awards for Continuing Graduate Students

Each year, Berkeley Social Welfare administers or directly awards approximately two million dollars in graduate student support. Thanks to the generosity of donors, alumni, past and present faculty, staff, and friends of the School, a substantial portion of this amount is given in the form of Departmentally Restricted Awards. These are fellowships established by donors to the School.

Departmentally Restricted Fellowship awards may be given as stipends, or to pay all or a portion of fees, or both. Actual award amounts, and the total number of available awards, vary from year to year subject to availability of funds. **This announcement is for the 2017-18 academic year.**

What's Available for 2017-18?

- Approximately \$200,000 in Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Awards is expected to be available for continuing graduate students for the 2017-18 academic year.
- Individual award amounts vary. You may review a complete list of current awards and anticipated amounts by clicking through the [Departmentally Restricted Awards](#) section of our [Student Funding](#) web page.

Who's Eligible?

- All Berkeley Social Welfare graduate students may apply for Departmentally Restricted Awards.
- You must be in good academic standing (GPA 3.0+), with **no more than two "Incomplete" grades** on your current academic record.
- Eligibility for individual fellowships is determined by the terms of the donor. You may review the terms for each award by looking at the list posted on the [Departmentally Restricted Awards](#) section of our [Student Funding](#) web page.

How to Apply:

- ALL Social Welfare graduate students use the same single online application for Departmentally Restricted Awards. The application is in Qualtrics web-based survey software, accessible anytime from any device. **No paper copies will be accepted.**
- You must enter your answers in the online Qualtrics survey at the following link by **11:59 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2017. NO LATE APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED.** https://berkeleyssw.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_4Me0WLLpgUQdKCN.
There is also an "Apply Now" button to the survey on the [Departmentally Restricted Awards](#) web page.
- A sample copy of the application is attached to this announcement so you can see what it includes.

Frequently Asked Questions about Departmentally Restricted Awards

What are Departmentally Restricted Awards?

Departmentally Restricted Awards are fellowship awards made from the School of Social Welfare Endowment. These are fellowships established by donors specifically for social welfare graduate students.

Who selects recipients of Departmentally Restricted Awards?

Eligibility for restricted awards is determined by the donor(s), subject to applicable fellowship program guidelines. Many are designated specifically for MSW students. Departmental fellowship applications are first ranked and reviewed by the Student Services Office. Once eligibility criteria have been applied to individual fellowships, a committee consisting of the Dean, Assistant Deans, Academic Program Chairs, Academic Coordinator, and Graduate Student Affairs Officer reviews and consents to final selection.

I am already receiving or plan to apply for a stipend award (Title IV-E, IBH, Cal-CWLT, etc.). Can I also apply for a Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Award?

Yes. Receiving a training stipend award does not affect eligibility for Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Awards.

I'm not eligible to complete the FAFSA. Can I still apply and be considered for a Departmentally Restricted Fellowship?

Yes.

I'm an international student. Am I eligible to apply and be considered for a Departmentally Restricted Fellowship?

Yes.

I'm a student loan borrower. What happens to my loan amounts if I receive a Departmentally Restricted Fellowship?

Because your total aid amount cannot exceed the Graduate Student Budget amount, your student loan amounts are adjusted by the Financial Aid Office whenever you receive any additional award. For more information please consult the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office's [Graduate Award Guide](#).

What other fellowships are there? Can I apply for more than just departmental awards?

Yes! We actively encourage all graduate students to apply for extramural funding opportunities. There are hundreds of public and private fellowships, each with different eligibility requirements and selection criteria. Many Berkeley Social Welfare students have been successful at securing extramural funding - you should apply to all for which you are qualified and eligible. To get started visit the Extramural Funding Opportunities section of our [Student Funding](#) web page.

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All continuing Berkeley Social Welfare graduate students (masters, doctoral, combined, and dual/concurrent degree programs) use this single application for Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Awards. Applications must be submitted by FEBRUARY 1, 2017. The application will close at 11:59 p.m. on February 1 and no late applications will be accepted or considered. Award decisions are announced in early May.

Departmentally Restricted Fellowship Awards may be given on the basis on academic merit, financial need, or a combination of both. Eligibility for restricted awards is determined by the donor(s). Meeting eligibility requirements does not guarantee receipt of an award. Preference for some awards may be given to students who have not received as much funding as other students in the department.

To be considered for a departmental fellowship award, you must have a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form on file for the current academic year, even if you do not expect to take out any federal student loans.

Fellowship recipients are subject to all terms and conditions of an award, **as well as Graduate Division policies covering stipend funding limits and academic appointment work restrictions**. For more information please see <http://grad.berkeley.edu/policy/financial-assistance-policy/>.

Instructions:

1. To begin the application click the >> button below.
2. You may save a started application and continue later, but you may only submit an application once.
3. You must upload your one-page applicant statement as your response to the final survey question. No separate documents will be accepted.

Student Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Student ID (SID) #:

Email Address:

Expected Graduation Date:

Current Graduate GPA:

of "Incompletes" on Record:

Degree Program - Please select one:

- MSW
- MSW/MPH
- MSW/MPP
- MSW/PhD Combined
- PhD

MSW Program Details

Concentration - please select one:

- Aging Services
- Children & Families
- Community Mental Health
- Health
- Management & Planning

Will you be seeking licensure as a Clinical Social Worker (e.g., LCSW in California)?

- Definitely will
- Probably will
- Don't know
- Probably will not
- Definitely will not

Will you be seeking the Pupil Personnel Services Credentials (PPSC) in School Social Work?

- Definitely will
- Probably will
- Don't know
- Probably will not
- Definitely will not

Field Placement Information - please complete the following table:

	Agency/Site Name:	Public-sector setting?		Faith-based setting?		Multicultural setting?	
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Placement #1		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Placement #2		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Departmentally Restricted Award Eligibility

Citizenship Status - Please choose one from the drop-down list:

- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- International Student
- AB540-Eligible Student

Have you filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form for the 2017-18 academic year? Please choose your response from the drop-down list:

- Yes
- Not yet but will be filing one
- No
- Not eligible to file a FAFSA

To help match applicants to all potentially available, endowment-supported restricted awards, please answer each of the following questions:

	Yes	No
Will you be classified as a California Resident for Tuition Purposes for the 2017-18 academic year?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are you an underrepresented minority student at Cal (African American, American Indian, Chicano or Latino)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are you a native of Puerto Rico or of Puerto Rican ancestry?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are you able to provide services in Spanish to clients and communities?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is the total estimated amount of your current outstanding GRADUATE student loan balance(s)?

Have you received, or do you expect to receive, ANY departmental fellowship, stipend, paid internship, academic appointment, or external scholarship, as a graduate student at Berkeley?

- Yes
- No

Are you currently, or do you expect to be employed while attending graduate school?

- Yes
- No

Career Goals

To help match applicants to all potentially available, endowment-supported restricted awards, please indicate your future career goals/interests by rank-ordering your likely career path preferences below, with "1" being your highest career priority. **You may rank as many as you like:**

- _____ Child/family welfare
- _____ Clinical practice with children & adolescents
- _____ Community organizing & development
- _____ Health/Medical Social Work
- _____ International Social Work
- _____ Public agency administration/management
- _____ Public mental health services
- _____ Public social services
- _____ School Social Work
- _____ Serving Latino people & communities
- _____ Serving low-income African American communities
- _____ Serving low-income disabled people
- _____ Serving older adults
- _____ Teaching in a social work education program

Financial Support Awards

Answer this question if you answered YES to “Have you received, or do you expect to receive, ANY departmental fellowship, stipend, paid internship, academic appointment, or external scholarship, as a graduate student at Berkeley?”

Please complete the following table to indicate ALL fellowships, stipends, academic appointments, external awards, and any other sources of support you have or are expecting to receive as a graduate student at Berkeley.

	Semester & Year:	Award Name or Type of Support:	Award Amount Total:
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			

Employment

Answer this question if you answered YES to “Are you currently, or do you expect to be employed while attending graduate school?”

Please complete the following table to provide details of any employment while attending graduate school.

	Term (Semester & Year)	Employer (Name)	Total Work Hours per Week:
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

Applicant Statement

Please **upload** a **one-page statement** addressing:

- Your anticipated career goals and any area(s) of specialization.
- Your academic and professional plans for the coming year, and how they will help you advance your career goals.
- Any scholarly or other special achievements accomplished during your graduate school career at Berkeley.
- Any additional information you feel may aid the selection committee in considering your application.

Choose File No file chosen