Graduate Fellowship Awards in 2015-16

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The following list represents information I have as of March 1, 2016 regarding graduate fellowship awards since June, 2016. This includes new awards as well as renewals and continuations of multi-year fellowships. As we near the end of the 2015-16 academic year, many competitions will announce the results of their 2016 competition cycles. Please help me gather information about these awards so that your students’ and your programs’ achievements can be appropriately recognized, reported, and celebrated.

You may contact me with information about external grant, fellowship, or scholarship awards made to students in your unit, or to learn more about the awards listed below, at kagoston@gmu.edu OR 703-993-3131.

NSF GRFP (Continuing in 2015-16 – New awards will be announced April 1, 2016)

1. Monica LaRussa Gertz (2013, PhD student in Neuroscience)
2. Lauren Breithaupt (2014, PhD student in Psychology - Clinical)
3. Diego Torrejón (2014, PhD student in Applied Mathematics)
5. Yukiko Yarnall (2015, PhD student in Chemistry)

NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grants (Since July 2015)

1. Vera Solovyeva, PhD Student in Environmental Science and Policy (Policy Track), NSF Field: Arctic Social Sciences, Start Date: July 1, 2015
2. Siyu Wang, PhD Student in Economics, NSF Field: Economics, Start Date: August 1, 2015

NIH F31 – Ruth Kirschstein NRSA Fellowships (New Grants, Continuations, Renewals)

1. Johanna B. Folk (PhD student in Psychology - Clinical) - Renewal
2. Gavin Sampey (PhD student in Biodefense) - Renewal

NDSEG (Continuing – New awards will be announced in spring 2016)
• Mary Martini (2015, PhD Student in Psychology – HFAC) Sponsoring Agency: AFOSR

Fulbright U.S. Student Program Finalists 2016 (Graduate Students Only)
• Elizabeth Crowe (M.Ed. student – Curriculum & Instruction / ESL) Country/Grant Type: Uruguay, English Teaching Assistantship

John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship, Virginia Sea Grant Executive Fellow, Class of 2016
• Katheryn Patterson, PhD Student in Environmental Science and Policy; Placement: International Enforcement Program with NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
DHS Institute for Infectious Animal Diseases Career Development Grant 2015
  • Ashwini Benedict (PhD student in Biosciences)

Koch Foundation Grant 2016
  • Margaret Patrick Tuszynski (PhD student in Economics)

American Psychological Association 2015 Early Graduate Student Researcher Award
  • Cyrus Foroughi (PhD student in Psychology - HFAC)

Cosmos Scholars Grants 2016
  1. Tanya Catignani (PhD student in GGS / Earth Systems and Geoinformation Science)
  2. Kristen Craven (PhD student in Psychology / Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience)
  3. Kelsey Kim (MA student in History of Decorative Arts) - Gerson Nordlinger Award in the Arts
  4. Alicia Korol (PhD student in Environmental Science and Public Policy) – Max and Vera Britton Environmental Science Award
  5. Grant Lewis (PhD student in Economics)
  6. Caroline Neely (PhD student in Psychology / Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience) - J.K. McLaughlin Award in Biomedical Science
  7. Adele Roland (PhD student in Environmental Science and Public Policy)

PMF Class of 2016 Finalists
  1. Charlotte Brock – Psychology (MA, CHSS)
  2. Bryan Brown – Peace Operations (MS, SPGIA)
  3. Rebecca Bucchieri – Law (JD)
  4. Beatriz Cuartas – Public Policy (PhD, SPGIA)
  5. Jimmy Gause – MPA (SPGIA)
  6. Jeffrey Harris – Law (JD)
  7. Justin Hillman – Law (JD)
  8. Elena Kaybulkina – MBA (SOB)
  9. Ashley Rush – MS Conflict Analysis and Resolution (SCAR)
  10. Adam Salazar – MPP (SPGIA)
  11. Edwina Smallwood – MPP (SPGIA)
  12. Morgan Steward – MPP
  13. John Thompson – Law (JD)
  14. Scott Wetzel – MPP (SPGIA)
  15. Melissa Whitlock – Global Affairs (MA, CHSS)
  16. Dilan Wickrema – ICP (MA, SPGIA)