Fellowships and Research Grants for SPH Students

This represents an extensive, but not exhaustive list of fellowships and grants available to SPH graduate students. Some awards are aimed at specific types of graduate students (e.g. PhD); others are available to all students in graduate study. Information provided is accurate as of its compilation date, but all funding availability, due dates, and requirements are subject to change according to the funding source. Always check the funding sources’ websites for the most recent information prior to application.

Some Berkeley Campus and UC-Affiliated Awards

Center for Race and Gender Graduate Grants
The Center for Race and Gender (CRG) at the University of California Berkeley, announces the availability of grants of $100 to $2,000 to support graduate student research or creative projects that address issues of race and gender. Topics should be consonant with CRG’s mandate to support critical research on race, gender, and their intersections in a wide variety of social, cultural, and institutional contexts, especially on the Berkeley campus and its neighboring communities, but also in California, the nation, or the world. Proposals that address both race and gender will are strongly preferred, and proposals that do not address race at all will be de-prioritized. Applications are for Spring 2018 are due the first week of April. See: http://crg.berkeley.edu/content/graduate-grants.

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS):
The Foreign Language and Area Studies Awards enables students who are U.S. citizens and permanent residents to acquire a high level of competence in one or more foreign languages. Fellowships are awarded to students in modern foreign language and area studies, with priority given to students in the humanities, social sciences, and professional fields. For academic year awards, entering students will apply for the FLAS through the Graduate Application for Admission and Fellowships by the departmental deadline. Continuing students will apply through TANGO. The campus deadline is January 31, 2018. See the following link for more fellowships/scholarship on the Graduate Division website: http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/deadlines.shtml.

UC MEXUS Grants for Dissertation Research
For support of dissertation research by University of California graduate students in the areas of Mexico-Related Studies—All Disciplines, Latino Studies, United States-Mexican Relations, Critical U.S.-Mexico Issues, Mexican and Latino Topics in the Arts and Humanities. Grants for periods of up to two years will be provided to support research leading to the dissertation. See: http://uemexus.ucr.edu/funding/grant_dissertation.html. Applications are due in mid-September.

Miscellaneous Awards

Graduate Assembly Conference Travel Grants
Awards to allow graduate students to attend professional conferences. Applicants must be presenting a
paper or poster on their dissertation research at the conference they are attending, and the conference must be outside the Bay Area. Awards are $300 and students are eligible to apply every two years. Applications are due three times a year: mid-August, early-December, and mid-May. See https://www.ga.berkeley.edu/funding/travel-grants for details.

**Graduate Division Conference Travel Grants**

Awards to allow Ph.D. students to attend professional conferences. Applicants must be presenting a paper or poster on their dissertation research at the conference they are attending. Awards are $500 and students are eligible for one per academic career. See: grad.berkeley.edu/wp-content/uploads/travel_grants.pdf. Applications are approved on an ongoing basis and should be submitted within at least three weeks before date of travel.

**Graduate Division Student Parent Grant**

Registered graduate student parents (single, married, or registered domestic partners) who live with dependent children and demonstrate financial need are eligible to apply for awards of up to $8,000 per academic year, funding permitting. Applications are due in early-July. See: grad.berkeley.edu/wp-content/uploads/parent_grant_app.pdf.

**International Graduate Student and Graduate Student Family Grants**

The Berkeley International Office offers grants for international graduate students and graduate student families. To be eligible for financial support, international students must: 1) demonstrate financial need; 2) have completed two semesters at UC Berkeley; and 3) be registered full-time each semester. Awards include tuition awards and parent grants. Amounts vary. See: http://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/aid. Application period opens on January 15 and closes on February 15th.

**Extramural Awards**

**Association for Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPHH)**

As a member of the Association for Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPHH), our graduate students have access to funding resources such as "Tips and Tricks to Obtaining Scholarships" and external sources that are based on specific qualifying criteria (e.g. race, gender, state of residency, etc.). Don't let these opportunities go to waste! See: Tips and Tricks to Obtaining Scholarships (http://www.aspph.org/study/financing-your-degree) See: How to Finance Your Public Health Degree (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eMRiom7Elmg)

**American Association of American Women**

Dissertation and career development grants for women in graduate programs who have achieved distinction or show the promise of distinction in their fields. See www.aauw.org. Deadlines vary.

**Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans**

A two-year grant for graduate students: applicants must be New Americans (resident alien, naturalized as a U.S. citizen, or the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizens); have a bachelor's degree, be enrolled in the first or second year of a graduate program; and may not be older than 31 years of age as of the application date. Awards are up to $25,000 stipend (maintenance grants) and up to $20,000 in tuition support for up to two years. See: http://www.pdsoros.org/competition/index.cfm. Applications are due in early-November.
Soroptomist International Founder Region Women’s Fellowships

Founder Region Fellowship offers grants to women enrolled in graduate schools within the boundary of Founder Region who have advanced to candidacy and are entering into the last year of their doctoral programs. These grants-in-aid are proffered to assist women in the completion of their doctoral degrees. Award amounts are unspecified. Applications are due early-February. See: http://www.founderregionfellowship.org/Scholarships/Fellowship%20Application.htm.

School of Public Health Fellowships and Grants

We have launched two new web pages to the Fees & Financial Aid section of the SPH Website. The Deadlines & Timeline web page will give you a July to June timeline of important dates/deadlines of federal/campus/department funding opportunities, UC Berkeley fee assessment, and payments, etc. For more information about the scholarship competitions listed on the timeline, please refer to the second web page. The SPH Scholarships & Fellowships web page will give you a full list of award opportunities that are available to recently admitted applicants and current students, and details the following information: name of award, eligibility/selection process, deadline, and award announcement date. The list is categorized in the following categories:

Admission Opportunities (Dean’s Diversity, GOP, Kaiser, Block Grant) – These opportunities (MPH & DrPH students) are distributed during the admission review process. Only current applicants for Fall 2018 admissions are eligible to be considered.

Programmatic Opportunities (Beattie M Memorial Fund - The William Griffiths Endowed Fund) – These opportunities are available to both current students and recently admitted students, and established to support students from specific areas and/or in need. The eligibility/selection process will provide more information on the nomination/application for these opportunities.

SPH Sponsored Competitions (Norman & Pansy L. Chan Scholarship - Gary K. Stewart Memorial Prize) – These opportunities are independent competitions that occur throughout the academic year and provide financial support for the following academic year. I will be the main point of contact for all questions and concerns regarding these opportunities.

NOTE: information on these pages are being updated to reflect the 2017-2018 academic year.

Funding Databases and Resource Lists

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/ The Foundation Center posts RFPs organized by subject area (e.g. aging, children and youth, community development, etc.) Most are for large research grants, not necessarily student fellowship awards, but site can be browsed by subject and that may lead to research grant opportunities not found in other sources.

http://www.library.illinois.edu/iris/ Contains a keyword thesaurus to narrow results to specific area of interest. Searchable by activities supported, academic qualifications, sponsor type (e.g. Federal Government or Other), restrictions, etc.

http://scholarships.berkeley.edu Previously searched for undergraduate awards only; now contains references to graduate awards. Searchable by discipline, deadline, underrepresented group, or scholarship name.
https://www.fatomei.com/public-health-scholarships.html Resource containing college and graduate study fellowships and grants by subject area. Link above goes directly to public health resources but others available that may apply to specific research topics.

http://www.spo.berkeley.edu/funding.html UC Berkeley’s Sponsored Projects Office list of funding opportunities categorized by types of grants, eligible applicants, and disciplines; links to funding databases such as COS and IRIS (above) and to federal, state, non-profit and UC agencies.

http://www.gdnet.ucla.edu/grpinst.htm UCLA’s Fellowships and Financial Services Office sponsors a database that catalogs and stores funding opportunities of interest to graduate students. It contains information on over 500 private and publically funded awards, fellowships, and internships. Advanced search options allow users to refine their search by field, academic level, award type, award amount, and other criteria.