

TO: All SJSU Faculty and Staff

FR: David K. Bruck, Associate Dean, Graduate Studies & Research

RE: 2012-2013 CALIFORNIA PRE-DOCTORAL PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

I am pleased to inform you that the application forms for the 2012/2013 Sally Casanova California Pre-Doctoral Scholarship Program are now available. **Please share this information with eligible students.** Each pre-doctoral award is for \$3,000. The California Pre-Doctoral Program is designed to increase the diversity of the pool of potential faculty by supporting the doctoral aspirations of diverse CSU students. Each of the selected pre-doctoral scholars works closely with a CSU faculty sponsor to develop overall plans leading ultimately to enrollment in a doctoral program. Each plan is tailored to the specific goals and educational objectives of the student. A committee of faculty from the CSU and the University of California selects students to receive the awards. It is a one-time award; current or former Pre-Doctoral Scholar Program recipients are not eligible to apply. To be eligible to receive funds, applicants must be enrolled at SJSU during both the application period (Spring 2012) and at least one term of the following academic year (2012-2013). Students who are likely to be admitted to doctoral programs that begin in Fall 2012 should be discouraged from applying.

Junior, senior, and graduate students in the CSU, especially those from groups underrepresented in their fields, receive funding for visits to Ph.D.-granting institutions to explore opportunities for doctoral study, for travel to national symposia or professional meetings, for membership in professional organizations, for journal subscriptions, and for graduate school application and test fees. In addition, those who receive pre-doctoral awards are eligible to participate in a fully funded summer research internship at a doctoral-granting campus.

Applications and faculty sponsor forms may be obtained online at <http://www.calstate.edu/predoc/Application.shtml>. Students must obtain transcripts from all undergraduate institutions they have attended. The staff of GS&R will not inspect application materials to determine completeness. Applicants are expected to assemble and submit in full the entire application packet in the correct order and with all necessary parts. Incomplete applications will not be returned for corrections; instead they will simply not be forwarded to the CSU Chancellor's Office for consideration. **The campus deadline for completed applications and faculty sponsor forms is Monday, March 12, 2012.** Please submit all materials to the Office of Graduate Studies & Research in ADM 223B on or before that date. An additional form, the **California Pre-doctoral Program Permission to Publish, obtained online at** http://www.sjsu.edu/gradstudies/funding/sally_casanova_pre_doctoral_scholarship/, **must also be submitted.** If you have any questions, please contact me at 924-2484 or via email at David.Bruck@sjsu.edu.

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