Robberson Summer Dissertation Fellowships/Research and Creative Activity Grants are available to support outstanding, full-time, post-candidacy OSU doctoral students from any disciplinary or interdisciplinary program. Preference will be given to graduate student nominations from programs with up-to-date graduate program handbooks. As a service to graduate programs, a handbook template (not all sections will be relevant to all programs) is available on the D2L Brightspace Graduate Faculty website: https://online.okstate.edu/d2l/home.

There are a limited number of competitive awards, and applicants must meet the following requirements:

- must have been enrolled full time in both fall 2017 and spring 2018 semesters;
- must be continuing as a degree-seeking student in the fall 2018 semester;
- must be an official PhD candidate (candidacy form approved by the Graduate College by May 4, 2018); and
- must be nominated by the academic unit – no self-nominations.

The award comes with the following benefits:

- $6,000 to be paid in June;
- tuition waiver for up to three credit hours in summer sessions; and
- the student and project will be highlighted on the OSU Graduate College website.

The award carries the following requirements:

- cannot be combined with any other type of OSU employment or assistantship during the June 11 - August 3, 2018 fellowship/grant period;
- enrollment in at least two credit hours in a summer session;
- provide an activity-related photo of herself/himself of suitable resolution for publication (photo release will be required);
- satisfactorily complete a brief activity report for public release (form provided); and
- deliver requested information in electronic format on or before August 17, 2018.

Applications must be submitted electronically as a single pdf file by 5:00 pm, Monday, March 5, 2018, to grad.dean@okstate.edu. The following materials are to be included in the order listed:

- cover page (name, CWID, program of study, faculty advisor’s name, and student essay on what this opportunity would mean to her/his graduate career – 300-word limit on essay);
- brief outline of research (purpose and methodology) to be carried out during the summer 2018 award period (2 pages, double spaced, 1-inch margins, 12-point font);
- most recent OSU transcript (unofficial transcript is acceptable);
- list of University activities/service;
- letter of recommendation from primary research advisor;
- signature of endorsement by the department/unit head or graduate program coordinator; and
- certification statement by the graduate program coordinator or unit head that the current graduate program handbook is up-to-date. Please provide a link to the current handbook with the certification. The Graduate College reviews handbooks for alignment with current policies and best practices as a service to graduate programs. If you would like your handbook reviewed, please provide an electronic copy to grad.dean@okstate.edu. Contact Dr. Jean Van Delinder with handbook questions.

Award Information – anticipated there will be funding for ~10 awards.

- Previous awardees are ineligible.
- The name of the award will be designated upon receipt, and it should be appropriately acknowledged in publications, presentations, etc., as indicated in the award message.
- Fellowships will be announced at the Graduate College Awards Ceremony at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in Room 412 SU, during Graduate Education Week; nominees should plan to attend.

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