The URPL Dissertation Excellence Fellowship

The URPL Dissertation Excellence Fellowship is intended to advance graduate study in the field of Planning. This competitive award provides funding to resident doctoral candidates for conducting dissertation research leading to the successful completion of the Ph.D. in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Wisconsin - Madison.

The Fellowship will provide up to \$5000, depending on the availability of funds, to reimburse expenses directly related to research for the dissertation, including travel expenses (subject to University rules for Travel Expense Reimbursement); survey expenses (printing, postage, and related expenses); and specialized computer software and/or data (but not the purchase of computer hardware). If all research activity has been completed, remaining funds may be converted to a scholarship awarded to the student in the final semester or two of the degree program.

Eligibility is restricted to URPL Ph.D. candidates in-residence with an approved dissertation proposal (approved by their dissertation committee). Ph.D. Candidates interested in applying for the Fellowship, along with their primary dissertation advisor, shall submit a written proposal to the Ph.D. Program Committee summarizing their research and detailing the expenses they intend to have the Fellowship cover. Preference will be given to proposals that clearly describe prior good faith efforts to obtain funding to support dissertation research from other resources both within the University (such as the Graduate School's Vilas Travel Award) and outside the University.

Ph.D. candidates can receive this Fellowship only once during their tenure as a dissertator. The Ph.D. Program Committee shall make a decision on the Fellowship award in a timely fashion.

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