AGEP/SBES SUMMER RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS FOR UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITY GRADUATE STUDENTS

As part of a National Science Foundation grant the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences received as a member of a seven institution alliance to increase the diversity of students in graduate programs in the social and behavioral sciences, funds are available to provide summer research stipend support to underrepresented minority students pursuing a doctorate in the College.

1. **Purpose**: To enable underrepresented students to have a summer research experience while encouraging the establishment of a student/research advisor relationship.

2. **Participating Units**: The following departments in the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences are eligible: Economics, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology.

3. **Number of Fellowships**: Seven (7) AGEP/SBES Summer Research Assistantships will be available for 2007.

4. **Eligibility**: Eligible students are those who will have completed at least one year of doctoral study at OSU prior to the summer in which the assistantship is awarded. Student must be a member of an underrepresented minority group in SBS and a U.S. citizen. Student may not receive other forms of support while holding this assistantship.

5. **Award**: Each assistantship will provide a stipend of $4,200, with tuition and fees paid by student’s department.

6. **Selection Criteria**: Completed applications will be reviewed by the AGEP/SBES Advisory Committee and the SBS Diversity Director. Selection will be based on the merit of the proposed research project and the likely impact of the proposed project on the student’s progress toward degree.

7. **Application**: A complete application will consist of:
   - application form signed by student, faculty advisor and departmental graduate director,
   - a statement or project proposal on research to be done (not to exceed two pages; the purpose of the statement is to ensure that student and advisor are in agreement on the summer project),
   - a curriculum vitae,
   - a letter of support from your dissertation chair or faculty advisor that addresses: 1) the request specifically, 2) how the research activity will enhance the completion of your degree, and 3) your academic performance.

9. **Deadline**: All items should be submitted as one package to the SBS College Office, 1010 Derby Hall (ATTN: Patrice Dickerson, Diversity Director) no later than 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 1, 2007. Awards will be announced by March 30, 2007.
APPLICATION FOR AGEP/SBES SUMMER RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP 2007

Name: ______________________________________________  OSUID: _________________________

Email: ______________________________________________  Phone:  _________________________

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________________
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Academic Department: _________________________________________________________________

Term/Year You Achieved or Will Achieve Candidacy: ________________________________________

Term/Year Entered Grad Study @ OSU: ______________________  GPA: _______________________

Research Advisor: _____________________________________________________________________

Advisor Email: ____________________________________  Advisor Phone: ______________________

Student Must Sign This Statement:
If awarded the AGEP/SBES Summer Research Assistantship, I agree to devote the entire 2007 summer quarter to starting (or continuing) a program of research under the direction of a SBS faculty advisor.

Signature                                                                                                       Date

Research Advisor Must Sign This Statement:
I have read the attached research statement and agree to supervise this student’s summer 2007 research.

Signature                                                                                                       Date

Departmental Graduate Studies Director Must Sign This Statement:
The student above is currently in good standing in our program and is making satisfactory progress toward his/her degree.

Signature                                                                                                       Date