

**Fellowship Announcements
Graduate Program in the Study of Religion (GREL)
2021-2022**

The following fellowship announcements are for funding for current graduate students in the GREL for summer 2021 (July 1-Oct 1 2021) and for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Mini Fellowships (\$500.00-\$1000.00) are on a rolling deadline. Students can apply for them at any point during the academic year. The application form can be found on the Study of Religion website: <https://religionsgrad.ucdavis.edu/resources>

Mini fellowships support funding for language training, special equipment purchases, digitizing of manuscripts, copyright licenses, books, or subscriptions to specific collections etc.

All applications will be reviewed by the GREL Program Committee: Mike Chin, Allison Coudert, Naomi Janowitz, Flagg Miller, Mairaj Syed and Archana Venkatesan.

Decisions about funding will be communicated to the students by March 31, 2021 for Summer fellowships and July 1, 2021 for the remaining fellowships.

SUMMER SUPPORT

Deadline: Monday, February 8, 2021, 5:00 PM

Eligibility: All current GREL students, who are enrolled during Spring 2021, may apply for a summer research fellowship to be undertaken during summer 2021.

Purpose: Summer Support for research. This is a fellowship and is not a grant to support living expenses during the summer.

To apply, please submit the following as a single PDF document:

1. 800-word narrative of the research project. In your narrative, include previous research support you have received and research outcomes.
2. A proposed budget
3. A letter of support from your major professor. An informal email indicating support will suffice (sent directly to Maria Ruby; not part of the PDF).

Applications must be submitted by the deadline to Maria Ruby (mruby@ucdavis.edu). **Include your name and title of fellowship for which you are applying in the subject line.**

Typical expected funding for 2021 is between \$2500-\$4000. Recipients may **not** hold a major fellowship simultaneously (Margrit Mondavi, Dissertation Year fellowship, or similar). The recipients can be partially employed but may receive a lower level of funding as a result. In considering applications, priority will be given to students who are not scheduled to teach in Summer Session 1 or 2.

Students who receive a summer support fellowship must submit a report detailing the use of the funds and the specific outcomes of their research by the start of the Fall 2021 quarter. This report

must include information about the status of external fellowship applications. If a student does not submit their fellowship report by the deadline, they will be ineligible for GREL fellowships in the 2022-2023 year.

By submitting the proposal, you acknowledge that if you obtain a fellowship or employment subsequently, you will report this funding to the graduate program with the understanding that your fellowship/teaching offer may be reduced or withdrawn.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Deadline: Monday, May 10, 2021, 5:00 PM

Eligibility: GREL students in good standing, who have completed their Qualifying Exams by **June 30, 2021** are eligible to apply for this fellowship.

Amount: \$500.00-\$5000.00

Purpose: The research fellowship supplements other funding, such as TA-ships. It is meant to support dissertation research, and may be used for research or conference travel, or project related expenses. There is an expectation that students receiving this fellowship will also apply for external fellowships.

To apply, please submit the following in a single PDF:

1. A brief proposal (800 words) detailing an overview of your dissertation and its significance to the field, a timeline for completing the dissertation, progress to date on the dissertation, and how the fellowship will aid you in the completion of your degree.
2. A proposed budget
3. A brief email from the major professor to Maria explaining what has been completed on the dissertation and if the student is making satisfactory progress (1 paragraph)

Applications must be submitted by the deadline to Maria Ruby. **Include your name and title of fellowship for which you are applying in the subject line.**

Students who receive the fellowship must submit a report detailing the use of the funds and the specific outcomes of their research within **2 months** following the quarter the fellowship was received. This report must include information about the status of external fellowship applications. If a student does not submit their fellowship report by the deadline, they will be ineligible for GREL fellowships in the 2022-2023 academic year.

By submitting the proposal, you acknowledge that if you obtain a fellowship or employment subsequently, you will report this funding to the graduate program with the understanding that your fellowship/teaching offer may be reduced or withdrawn.

THE CATHERINE COUDERT GOTTESMAN DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

Deadline: May 10, 2021

Eligibility: Students in good standing, enrolled in the GREL PhD program, and who have passed their Qualifying Exams. Past recipients of this fellowship are ineligible.

Purpose: The Catherine Coudert Gottesman Distinguished Graduate Fellowship supports work on a distinctively cross-disciplinary research project, normally leading to a dissertation on that topic. It can be granted to a Religious Studies graduate student in their second or any subsequent year.

The fellowship includes a stipend (equivalent to a TA-ship) and tuition and fees, including health insurance premium.. Thus, this fellowship will support a student for a single quarter release from teaching during the Academic Year. The student may remain on campus for the academic year or may travel for field or archival research. If research is to be conducted outside of California, the student will be required to register “In Absentia”.

To apply, please submit the following:

1. A 1000-word project statement that describes the cross-disciplinary nature of the research project, the value of a cross-disciplinary approach to your project, the contribution of the project to the field of religious studies, and the work to be accomplished during the quarter off.
2. A brief recommendation of the project from the student's Major Professor (up to 1 page single spaced)

Applications must be submitted by the deadline to Maria Ruby (mruby@ucdavis.edu). **Include your name and title of fellowship for which you are applying in the subject line.**

Students who receive the fellowship must submit a report detailing the use of the funds and the specific outcomes of their research within **2 months** following the quarter the fellowship was received.. This report must include information about the status of external fellowship applications. If a student does not submit their fellowship report by the deadline, they will be ineligible for GREL fellowships in the 2022-2023 year.

By submitting the proposal, you acknowledge that if you obtain a fellowship or employment subsequently, you will report this funding to the graduate program with the understanding that your fellowship/teaching offer may be reduced or withdrawn.

THE PAUL A. CASTELFRANCO GRADUATE AWARD IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Deadline: May 10, 2021, 5:00 PM

Eligibility: Any GREL students in good standing, who has at least one year in the program by **June 30, 2021**, is eligible to apply for this fellowship.

Amount: Two fellowships of \$2000.00 each

Purpose: The research fellowship supplements other funding, such as TA-ships. There is an expectation that students awarded this fellowship will apply for external funding opportunities. This fellowship opportunity is especially targeted toward students whose research projects are public facing. It requires students to produce at least one piece of public scholarship based on their research within two years of receipt of the fellowship.

To apply, please submit the following in a single PDF:

1. A brief proposal (800 words) detailing an overview of your research, its relevance to public scholarship and a plan for the public dissemination of your research.
2. A proposed budget
3. A brief email from the major professor to Maria explaining the student's qualification to undertake public scholarship and/or the relevance of public scholarship to the student's research project (1-2 paragraphs).

Students who receive the fellowship must either have made their contribution to public scholarship or have a detailed plan in place within **2 months** following the quarter the fellowship was received. This report must include information about the status of external fellowship applications. If a student does not submit their fellowship report by the deadline, they will be ineligible for GREL fellowships in the 2022-2023 year.