

# 2022 Summer Funding for Internships

In Summer 2022, the Department will provide **\$6,000** to two graduate students who are able to secure an internship at an organization of their choice. The stipend will be awarded through a competitive application process. Priority will be given to students who have advanced to candidacy.

**Rationale:** We recognize that many students are already working in the summer. We would like to offer an opportunity to engage in meaningful work experience. We expect the internships to enrich students' dissertation research and/or help them develop skillsets and professional networks that will support a broader job search as they complete their degrees.

**How to Apply:** You need not have secured an internship at the time you apply, but you should have a sense of the kind of work you'll be exploring and, ideally, a list of companies or agencies to which you hope to apply. The Career Center offers counseling that may help you identify potential opportunities; Professor Suhr is also available to meet with students and review organizations with which the Department already has a working relationship.

Please submit a **CV and statement of purpose of no more than 500 words**, single-spaced, by e-mail to Professor Suhr ([carla.suhr@ucla.edu](mailto:carla.suhr@ucla.edu)) by **April 22, 2022**. The statement should explain:

- why you are pursuing this opportunity at this point in your career
- your interest in your organization or industry
- how the internship will make use of and develop your skills

**Selection process and timeline:** The Vice-Chair for Graduate Studies and the Co-directors of Professionalization will review all applications. We are looking for clarity of purpose, as well as demonstrated interest and knowledge of the proposed internship field. All Spanish & Portuguese students are eligible to apply; preference will be given to those who have advanced to candidacy and are no longer eligible for GSRM funding. Recipient will be announced by **April 29, 2022**.

**Responsibility of fellow:** Upon accepting this funding, the fellow agrees to work a minimum of 80 hours at their internship site, which they should confirm by **May 31, 2022**; meet with a graduate counselor at UCLA's Career Center; write up a brief description of their experience; and present briefly to the department in 2022-23. Funds will be disbursed in the summer, upon approval of the internship secured. If the department offered you a summer TAsip or if you receive other summer research fellowships, such TAsip/fellowship opportunities should not coincide with the dates of the internship.

**For questions**, please contact Co-directors of Professionalization Barbara Fuchs [fuchsbar@humnet.ucla.edu](mailto:fuchsbar@humnet.ucla.edu) or Carla Suhr [carla.suhr@ucla.edu](mailto:carla.suhr@ucla.edu)