

Fletcher Jones Fellowship

Overview

The UC Office of the President has announced the Fletcher Jones Fellowship Program for 2023-2024 academic year. This prestigious award is intended to provide financial support to doctoral students that will allow them to fully focus on their dissertation research.

As this fellowship is intended to support doctoral degree completion, students demonstrating a clear plan and strong likelihood of filing their dissertation by the summer dissertation filing deadline at the end of the award year will be given the strongest consideration.

Information on the Fletcher Jones Foundation can be found at <u>http://www.fletcherjonesfdn.org/</u>.

Award Amount

Three doctoral students will be awarded with a dissertation completion fellowship in the amount of approximately \$9,000 to be used as a stipend during Winter 2024 or Spring 2024.

<u>Please note that this fellowship does not include tuition and fees. The awardee's School is expected to cover the cost of the awardee's tuition and fees for selected quarter of award.</u>

Submission Deadline: October 20, 2023

Eligibility Criteria

Each School may nominate one outstanding doctoral student who meets the following minimum criteria:

- Shows financial need
- Exhibits excellent interpersonal and leadership abilities
- Has a UCI GPA of 3.8 or better
- Has advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D.
- Is making satisfactory academic progress toward their degree
- Is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Note: Students planning to file their dissertation in Spring 2024 or Summer 2024 will receive the strongest consideration.

Nomination Process

Each School's package should be submitted by the School's Associate Dean and must include:

- 1. A completed, signed UCI Fletcher Jones Fellowship Nomination Form
- 2. A completed, signed <u>UCI Fletcher Jones Student Information Form</u> with the following items:
 - 100-word statement of financial need (note any gaps in support, dependents, etc.)
 - 100-word student profile
 - 500-word statement by the nominee describing their research project, progress to date, and plan for completion. Nominees should describe their research in terms that are accessible to a general audience since the reviewers may not be in their field.
- 3. A current CV

- 4. Letter of recommendation from the following:
 - The student's faculty advisor/mentor (this letter should address the student's financial need, interpersonal and leadership abilities, satisfactory academic progress, and expected date of degree completion)

The nomination package should be forwarded with the signature of the School or Program's Associate Dean to acknowledge that the School will cover the cost of tuition and fees during the selected quarter (winter or spring) if their nominee is selected. A letter of recommendation from the Associate Dean is <u>not</u> required.

If students have applied for and accepted Financial Aid loans or Work-Study awards and subsequently receive any fellowships, the additional support may affect their eligibility for need-based financial aid. Students should contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships to determine if their eligibility will be affected. Students should also review the terms of any funding that they have accepted for AY 2023-2024 to ensure that they are eligible to receive additional fellowship funding.

Contact

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