



Dr. Donald and Effie Godbold Fellowship Academic Year 2016-17

Purpose

The Dr. Donald and Effie Godbold Fellowship is designed to recognize the unique challenges faced by international graduate students, and the diverse perspectives and contributions that they bring to our community. This award is based on the merit of the graduate student's current academic standing and the submitted personal statement. This award is available only to Ph.D. students with an international student visa status.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Ph.D. students with an international student visa status.
2. Currently be enrolled in 12 units in one of the graduate programs, GPA \geq 3.0 and good academic standing.

Financial Support

- Only one award will be made each academic year.
- Recipient will receive an award of \$1,000 in this current academic year to be used for travel and/or student research.

Use of Funds

- Funds must be used specifically for the pursuit of educational and graduate career goals.

Award Procedures

- Apply by completing an online application at <https://gradopportunities.ucmerced.edu/>
- Each application must include a one-page personal statement that speaks to how this award will help the student overcome the unique challenges facing international students and achieve their educational goals. Special consideration will be given to students whose research and/or extracurricular activities contribute to the broadening of cultural perspectives at UCM and the greater Central Valley.
- Must include one letter of recommendation from a UCM faculty member, CV and unofficial UCM transcripts.
- Student must complete an application by **January 20, 2017 by 5pm.**
- The letter of recommendation must be submitted by **January 25, 2017 by 5pm.**
- The fellowship committee will review all complete applications based on the criteria above. However, please note, incomplete applications will not be reviewed.