Welcome to a new semester, graduate students! Not only is it a new semester, but it's our first semester back on campus as a community in over a year. We are proud of all our Titans for persevering during these uncertain times and are excited to work with you in person once more. As a reminder, the services and forms that the Grad Studies Office provides can be accessed virtually at any time. Please make sure to visit our website for any information you might need. Also remember that Covid testing is free and available at the Student Wellness center on campus. Please keep up to date on information by visiting the Titans Return website. We wish you a happy and safe semester! Go Titans!
CONGRATULATIONS GRAD EQUITY FELLOWS!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to apply for the Graduate Equity Fellowship. This grant ranges from $500 to $2000 per year for each awardee. This program seeks to increase the diversity of students completing graduate degree programs at the CSU, encourages continuation toward doctoral programs, and promotes consideration of university faculty careers. We received so many wonderful applications and are happy to announce the 44 recipients of the Fellowship for the 2021-2022 academic year! Congratulations on your award, and keep continuing the hard work in your fields.

Remember, we select new Fellows every academic year, so if you were not chosen this year or are interested in becoming a future Fellow, please look out for application information in the Spring semester!

LOLLY (LAURA) ALLEN - MUSIC PERFORMANCE
JESSICA ARTINGER - MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
STEPHANIE ASCENCIO - SOCIAL WORK
MONICA AVILA - PUBLIC HEALTH
KARINA CALLEJAS - HIGHER EDUCATION
CESAR CERVANTES-CANTORAN - HIGHER EDUCATION
JUSTIN CESARIO - AMERICAN STUDIES
RICHARD CHANG - PSYCHOLOGY
JULIA CHEN - GEOLOGY
RUBY CISNEROS - HIGHER EDUCATION
ERIC CORTEZ - CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY
JENNY ESCALANTE - BIOLOGY
JOSELYN ANABELL ESPINOSA PICO - BIOLOGY
HEDRICK FLORES - HIGHER EDUCATION
STEPHENIE GUERRERO - SOCIAL WORK
SELENE HERNANDEZ - MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY
CELEST HERNANDEZ - AMERICAN STUDIES
IRMA HERNANDEZ RODRIGUEZ - PUBLIC HEALTH
MARIANA JIMENEZ FEMAT - HIGHER EDUCATION
PAMELA JOYA - SOCIAL WORK

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Fall 2021 Leave of Absence
- August 21, 2021
Fall 2021 Grad Check Application
- September 13, 2021
Fall 2021 Thesis/Dissertation Submission
- November 19, 2021
Spring 2022 Leave of Absence
- January 18, 2022

GRADUATE STUDENT "THEMED COMMUNITY"

If you're looking for on campus housing, there will soon be several floors dedicated to graduate students in Student Housing. Apply now on the housing website.

GRAD STUDIES WEBSITE

For more information on scholarship opportunities, important dates, and more, please visit our Grad Studies website: http://www.fullerton.edu/graduate/

What is a Leave of Absence?

For continuing students, please note that all graduate students must maintain continuous enrollment. If you are not able to attend a semester, you will need to take a leave of absence, which must be requested BEFORE the semester begins. Visit our website for more information.

For questions or concerns, please contact gradstudiesrecept@fullerton.edu
**CDIP Recipients of 2021-2022**

The Chancellor’s Doctoral Initiative Program (CDIP) is a funding opportunity for promising doctoral students seeking future CSU instructional faculty positions. CDIP provides loans up to $30,000 for any purpose to support the recipient’s doctoral studies, integrates faculty mentoring through collaborative research, teaching and service activities, and provides additional mini-grants to fund conference and workshop attendance. The selection committee reviewed 95 applications across the CSU campuses and among the recipients of this award are two Titans, Nancy Vargas of Health Professions and Related Programs, and Angelina Zuelow of Biological and Biomedical Studies. Congratulations Nancy and Angelina!

To learn more about how to apply for this funding opportunity for the next academic year, please visit the CSU [website](https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/). For questions or concerns, please contact gradstudiesrecept@fullerton.edu

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**Grad Studies Workshops**

For more information on writing workshops, thesis support, professional development, and the grad student listening space, please visit the below link: [GSSC Workshops](#)

**COVID Updates**

Please visit the [COVID webpage](https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/) for the most up to date information on our return to campus, including vaccine requirements, testing, and reporting cases.

**Feedback Needed**

In mid-October, the university will be sending all graduate students an invitation to participate in a brief survey. Please help us learn more about your experience here at CSUF by taking the survey and providing much needed feedback about your programs.

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**Helpful Resources**

For health and wellness, CSUF provides students with resources such as Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and a virtual wellness platform with articles, videos, and [CSUF resources](https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/YOU@fullerton).
PRE-DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Become a Sally Casanova Scholar with the California Pre-Doctoral Program, a program aiming to increase the potential faculty pool for the CSU and supports doctoral (PhD) aspirations of CSU students who have experienced economic or educational disadvantages. This program provides a $3000 scholarship to travel to conferences, assist with application and transcript fees, and provide funding for research materials.

The 2022-23 scholarship application cycle will open in December 2021, so if you are interested in applying for this funding opportunity, please look out for further information in the next newsletter.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Student Assistant Receptionist for the Office of Graduate Studies - College Park 950
This position will serve the Office of Graduate Studies as the front desk receptionist for the office. Receptionist/Administrative Assistant will be responsible for being the first point of contact for all guests contacting Graduate Studies and in-person guests for Academic Programs & Enrollment. Other administrative duties may be assigned, as needed.

- 10-20 hours per week during regular semester with possible summer employment
- Student should be available to work several days per week, Monday through Friday within normal business hours (8am-5pm). Actual days and hours will be determined every semester, per mutual agreement
- See complete job description here
- Send resumes and cover letter to gradstudiesrecept@fullerton.edu

Graduate Assistant for Marketing and Communications
This position will work in the Marketing, Communications, and Design department and assist with communication and marketing efforts for Associated Students Inc. (ASI). Duties include a variety of research, writing, editing, and creative efforts for the website, print marketing, podcast, and social media. Overall, this graduate student position will focus on helping promote and increase campus awareness of ASI’s programs, services, and operations. The GA will get experience interviewing others, conducting research, developing and implementing a marketing plan/strategy, and coming up with creative ideas to reach the student population on campus.

- 20 hours/week max, based on the student’s class schedule
- See complete job description here

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