Graduate Student Funding Opportunities – Updated December 2012

Note: This list includes a wide range of funding opportunities in terms of disciplines, qualifications, and funding amounts that are potentially relevant to doctoral students. Please follow the links for details.

Dissertation Funding

_National Institute of Justice_
Graduate Research Fellowship Program
Deadline: May 2, 2012 for last year
[http://www.nij.gov/nij/funding/fellowships/graduate-research-fellowship/welcome.htm](http://www.nij.gov/nij/funding/fellowships/graduate-research-fellowship/welcome.htm)

_National Science Foundation_
Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants (Law and Social Science Program)
Deadline: January 15

_Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation_
Dissertation Fellowship: Questions that interest the foundation concern violence and aggression in relation to social change, intergroup conflict, war, terrorism, crime, and family relationships, among other subjects.
Deadline: February 1
[http://www.hfg.org/df/guidelines.htm](http://www.hfg.org/df/guidelines.htm)

_Law and Society Association and the American Bar Foundation_
Law and Social Science Dissertation Fellowship and Mentoring Program: Third-, fourth-, and fifth-year graduate students who specialize in the field of law and social science and whose research interests include law and inequality are invited to apply.
Deadline: December 1
[http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities/LawandSocialScienceDissertationFellowshipMentoringProgram.html](http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities/LawandSocialScienceDissertationFellowshipMentoringProgram.html)

_U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development_
Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program: Intended to stimulate policy-relevant urban research in several ways; encouraging doctoral candidates to pursue research topics in community, housing, and urban development.
Deadline: July 14, 2011 for last year
**Ford Foundation**  
Dissertation Fellowships: Provides one year of support for individuals working to complete a dissertation leading to a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.). Will be awarded in a national competition administered by the National Research Council (NRC) on behalf of the Ford Foundation. Will be made to individuals who, in the judgment of the review panels, have demonstrated superior academic achievement, are committed to a career in teaching and research at the college or university level, show promise of future achievement as scholars and teachers, and are well prepared to use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students.  
Deadline: November 24, 2012  
[http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/PGA_047959](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/PGA_047959)

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)**  
Drug Abuse Dissertation Research: Epidemiology, Prevention, Treatment, Services, and/or Women and Sex/Gender Differences: Available for applicants in support of drug abuse doctoral dissertation research in epidemiology, prevention, treatment, services, and/or women and sex/gender differences.  
Deadline: February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually  

**The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation**  
Jack Kent Cooke Dissertation Fellowship Award: For doctoral candidates who are completing dissertations that further the understanding of the educational pathways and experiences of high-achieving, low-income students. This one-year $25,000 fellowship is available for advanced doctoral students and is intended to support the student for work done after the student’s dissertation proposal has been accepted. Applications are encouraged from a variety of disciplines such as, but not limited to, education, sociology, economics, psychology, statistics, and psychometrics.  
Deadline: February 4, 2013  

**American Association of University Women**  
American Fellowships Program – Dissertation Fellowship: Available to women who will complete their dissertation writing between July 1, 2013, and June 30, 2014.  
Deadline: November 15, 2012  
[http://www.aauw.org/learn/fellowships_grants/american.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/learn/fellowships_grants/american.cfm)
American Council of Learned Societies
Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships: Support a year of research and writing to help advanced graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences in the last year of Ph.D. dissertation writing.
Deadline: October 24, 2012 for last year
http://www.acls.org/programs/dcf/

United States Institute of Peace
Jennings Randolph (JR) Peace scholarship Dissertation Program: Awards scholarships to students at U.S. universities who are writing doctoral dissertations on topics related to international peace, conflict, and security.
Deadline: December 14, 2012

Non-Dissertation Funding

American Society of Criminology
Minority Fellowship: Designed to encourage students of color, especially those from ethnic minority groups underrepresented in the field, including but not limited to Asians, Blacks, Indigenous peoples, and Hispanics, to enter the field of criminology and criminal justice. The recipients of the fellowships must be accepted into a program of doctoral studies.
Deadline: March 1
http://www.asc41.com/awards/GradMinorityFellowship.html

American Sociological Association
Minority Fellowship Program: In addition to providing financial support, MFP works with its Fellows and their faculty mentors to help prepare the Fellow for a research career. Also, MFP plans workshops and paper sessions at the ASA Annual Meeting, offers travel support to scientific conferences, and fosters the development of formal and informal networks for Fellows. The annual stipend for each award (August 1- July 31) is $18,000. In addition, arrangements for the payments of tuition are made with universities or departments. There are also limited funds available for travel to the ASA Annual Meeting each August, regional or aligned association meetings in the spring or fall, and professional development training programs and workshops.
Deadline: January 31 annually
http://www.asanet.org/funding/mfp.cfm
**Drugs, Security and Democracy Fellowship**
The Drugs, Security and Democracy (DSD) fellowship program supports research on drug policy, citizen security and democratic governance, as well as associated topics across the social sciences and related disciplines. The fellowship seeks to develop a concentration of researchers who are interested in policy-relevant outcomes and membership in a global interdisciplinary network.
Deadline: January 20, 2013

**Josephine de Karman Fellowship Trust**
Josephine de Karman Fellowship: Open to students in any discipline, including international students, who are currently enrolled in a university or college located within the United States. To be competitive, graduate applicants should have outstanding letters of recommendation, significant publications, and have completed several chapters of the dissertation at the time of application.
Deadline: January 31, 2013

**Council of American Overseas Research Centers**
Multi-Country Research Fellowship: Preference given to candidates conducting comparative and/or cross-regional research. Scholars must carry out research in two or more countries outside the U.S., at least one of which hosts a participating American overseas research center.
Deadline: January 15, 2013
[http://caorc.org/programs/multi.htm](http://caorc.org/programs/multi.htm)

**International Security Studies**
Smith Richardson Foundation Predoctoral Fellowships: Available to advanced doctoral students, including non-U.S. citizens from universities other than Yale, in the field of security studies, with a particular emphasis on international, diplomatic, and military history.
Deadline: First Friday of April annually
[http://iss.yale.edu/fellowships](http://iss.yale.edu/fellowships)

**Stanford University Center on democracy, development, and the rule of law (CDDRL)**
CDDRL Pre-doctoral fellowship: Applications from pre-doctoral students at the write-up stage and from post-doctoral scholars working in any of the four program areas of democracy, development, evaluating the efficacy of democracy promotion, and rule of law. Applicants working at the intersection of two or more of these issue areas will receive preferential consideration.
Deadline: January 25, 2013
Brookings Institution
Pre-Doctoral Research Fellowships – Foreign Policy Program: Designed for candidates whose dissertation topics and career goals are directly related to the major interests of the Foreign Policy Program: war and peace issues; shifting power balances; and global order and human security. Awards will go to individuals whose research is near completion and will benefit from access to Foreign Policy scholars and the Washington policy-making community afforded by Brookings location in the nation’s capital.
Deadline: Nominated by March 1, 2012, Application completed by April 6, 2012
http://www.brookings.edu/about/employment/fellowship/2012/fp11192

Travel and Other Types of Funding

American Society of Criminology
Gene Carte Student Paper Competition
http://www.asc41.com/awards/CarteAward.html

American Sociological Association
Student Forum Travel Awards
http://www.asanet.org/funding/sfta.cfm

Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
Summer Program Scholarships
http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/content/sumprog/scholarships/index.html

ICPSR: Quantitative Analysis of Crime and Criminal Justice
Stipend support to offset transportation and per diem expenses
http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/sumprog/courses/0018

UCLA – The Center for Advancing Longitudinal Drug Abuse Research (CALDAR)
Summer Institute on Longitudinal Research Travel award
http://caldar.org/documents/summer-institute/2012/Application%20for%20travel%20awards%20Investigators%202012.pdf