Graduate Student Funding Opportunities – 2018-2019

**Note:** This list includes a wide range of funding opportunities organized into three types – (1) *Pre/Non-Dissertation Funding*, (2) *Dissertation Funding* and (3) *Travel, Summer and Other Funding*. Most opportunities are geared towards doctoral students. Please follow the links for further details.

**Pre/Non-Dissertation Funding**

*American Society of Criminology*

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Ruth D. Peterson 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: usually March 1st; for 2019

http://www.asc41.com/awards/RuthPetersonFellowship.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

*Cosmos Scholars Grant Program (for Students Washington, DC Area Universities)*

Scholars Grant Program: The program provides grants to meet specific research needs not covered by other supporting funds, including but not limited to special supplies, travel, unanticipated expenses that would enhance the work, etc. Specifically excluded are general financial support, tuition, and living expenses (except in connection with supported travel).

Deadline: November 1 most years

http://www.cosmosclubfoundation.org/scholars/

*National Institute of Justice*

Graduate Research Fellowship Program: The program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in NSF-supported science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees at accredited United States institutions. Fellows benefit from a three-year annual stipend of $34,000 along with a $12,000 cost of education allowance for tuition and fees (paid to the institution), opportunities for international research and professional development, and the freedom to
conduct their own research at any accredited U.S. institution of graduate education they choose.
Deadline: Mid-November annually
http://www.nij.gov/nij/funding/fellowships/graduate-research-fellowship/welcome.htm
https://www.nij.gov/funding/fellowships/graduate-research-fellowship/Pages/grf-sbs.aspx

**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 usually each year
http://www.dekarman.org/

**Council of American Overseas Research Centers**
Multi-Country Research Fellowship: The Multi-Country Research Fellowship supports advanced regional or trans-regional research in the humanities, social sciences, or allied natural sciences for U.S. doctoral candidates, and postdoctoral scholars. 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: Around January 15 each year; see site for further details
https://www.caorc.org/fellowships

**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/programs/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: early/mid-January each year
http://cddrl.fsi.stanford.edu/fellowships/cddrl_fellowships/
**Dissertation Funding**

**National Science Foundation**
Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants (Law and Social Science Program)
Deadline: Dates vary, but usually January

**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: January 15
[http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities.html](http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities.html)

**American Association of University Women**
American Fellowships Program – Dissertation Fellowship: Available to women who will complete their dissertation writing between July 1, 2019, and June 30, 2020.
Deadline: November 1

**Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowships**
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: January 8 for 2019
[http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/PGA_171939](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/PGA_171939)

**Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship**
The Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) offers nine to twelve months of support to graduate students in the humanities and humanistic social sciences who are enrolled in PhD programs in the United States and conducting dissertation research on non-US
topics.
Deadline: Varies, usually November 1\textsuperscript{st} or later each year
https://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/view/idrf-fellowship/

\textit{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: multiple deadlines annually, see announcement for details

\textit{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: Late October each year
http://www.acls.org/programs/dcf/#

\textit{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: Application available August 1, due November 20 6PM EST

\textit{Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy}
The Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy: Awards grants to support emerging scholars through small grants, promote scholarship with a social policy application and encourage projects that address contemporary issues in the social sciences. Grants are based solely on merit. Each is worth a total of $7,500; $5,000 is awarded initially and $2,500 upon completion of the project.
Deadline: December 1\textsuperscript{st} for 2018-19 cycle
https://www.horowitz-foundation.org/grant-info
https://www.horowitz-foundation.org/apply
**Travel, Summer and Other Funding**

*American Society of Criminology* Student Paper Competition
Deadline: April 15 each year
http://www.asc41.com/awards/CarteAward.html

*American Sociological Association* Student Forum Travel Awards
Deadline: April 1 each year
http://www.asanet.org/funding/sfta.cfm

*Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)*
Summer Program Scholarships
Deadline: March 31 most years
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

*Sparrho Early Career Researcher Prize*
PhD students and postdocs from any institute who want to share their research at an academic conference in the next 12 months, anywhere in the world.
http://grants.sparrho.com

**Building Future Faculty Program**
The NC State University Building Future Faculty (BFF) Program is a two-and-half day all-expenses paid workshop for doctoral students and post-doctoral scholars who are interested in pursuing academic careers and who are committed to promoting diversity in higher education.
The program is targeted to graduate students who are in the dissertation phase or post-doctoral. Event is usually held in April.
Deadline: November 7, 2018 for April 2019 Program
https://oied.ncsu.edu/divweb/building-future-faculty-program/

**RAND Summer Associate internship for PhD Students**
RAND provides a unique opportunity for graduate students to apply their research skills to important, policy-relevant research projects. Students work at RAND for a 12-week period during the summer, receive a bi-weekly paycheck, and are mentored by an experienced researcher.
Applications Accepted: Mid-October – Early December annually
http://www.rand.org/about/edu_op/fellowships/gsap.html
Looking for additional funding opportunities? Check out our other funding sources list for more leads.