Laboratory Fees Research Program
UC-NL In-Residence Graduate Fellowships 2024

Applicant Webinar
July 2023
Applicant Webinar: Agenda and Topics

• Overview of Funding Opportunity
• Components of Full Proposal
• Scoring Criteria
• How to Submit Full Proposal
• Questions & Answers
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Laboratory Fees Research Program (LFRP)
In-Residence Graduate Fellowships

This program leverages the longstanding partnership between the University of California, Los Alamos National Lab, and Lawrence Livermore National Lab, to provide unique training opportunities and support to graduate students who wish to conduct dissertation research in-residence at LANL or LLNL.
Laboratory Fees Research Program (LFRP) In-Residence Graduate Fellowships

Award of $75,000 / year
Additional travel funds of $5,000 total
Two- or three-year fellowship period

Joint research oversight by UC academic advisor and lab mentor

Fellowship start date: April 1, 2024
Fellowship Application Process

1. Letter of Intent
2. LOI Review
3. Advancement to Full Proposal
4. Full Proposal Submission
5. Proposal Review and Selection
Full Proposal Components

- Abstract
- Research Plan
- Applicant Statement
- Mentorship and Training Plan
Additional Proposal Requirements

- Blinded letter from dissertation advisor (*template*)
- Letter from lab mentor (*template*)
- Applicant’s graduate transcript
- Applicant’s CV/ Biosketch
- Dissertation advisor’s CV/ Biosketch
- Lab mentor’s CV/Biosketch
- Research compliance form
Scoring Criteria

• Research Excellence

• Strength of Training, Supervision, and Mentorship

• Qualifications of the Applicant and Quality of Academic Preparation
# Key Dates

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From Approved LOI to Full Application

1. Click on “In Progress Applications.”
2. Locate the row for your submitted Lab Fees Graduate Fellows LOI. The “Status” Column will indicate if your LOI is approved. Click “Open” to begin full application and access instructions and templates.
3. Click on the “Continue to Full Application” button at the bottom of the screen to access the Full Application materials.
Application Submission

Instructions can be downloaded from the top of every page.

Complete each section of the application.

Download templates and upload required attachments in the Documentation section.
Full Application: Inviting UC Advisor to submit a blinded letter of recommendation

1. Click on “Invite Personnel”
Full Application: Inviting UC Advisor to submit a blinded letter of recommendation

2. Click the plus button to add your UC Advisor
3. Enter the Advisor’s name and email address
4. Select Referee in the “Role” column
5. Click ‘Invite’ to send out invitation email.
Click the Budget tab

Click “Open” to start entering information
Budget tab - Adding Institution Contacts

Start typing the name of your signing official into the field and select from the list that populates.

If you cannot find their name in the list, click “Can’t find Signing Official.” Then click “Add Signing Official” and complete the form.
Do not click “Budget Complete” until you have entered all the necessary budget figures and justification notes – clicking this button will lock your budget and you will not be able to make additional edits.
Scroll down to “Student Tuition Fees, Graduate Student Stipends”
Click “+” to add a new row.

Entries will populate in the budget summary at the top of the page.

Enter budget justification.

Repeat for “Travel Expenses” and “Indirect Costs / Facilities & Administrative (F&A) Costs” sections
Submit to Signing Official

Click "Save Draft" before clicking on the "Submit to Signing Official" button to submit your application.
If you still have questions...

1. Ask them today

2. Review the materials in the RFP, FAQs, and Full Application Instructions

3. Visit our website at: https://www.ucop.edu/research-initiatives/programs/lab-fees/index.html

4. Contact us as questions arise
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