OLIVIA LONG CONVERSE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COVER SHEET 2021-22

Application due March 25, 2021 electronically

Overview
The Converse Fellowship supports graduate research on terrestrial plants in Mexico. Fellowships will be granted for field-oriented studies. Both research and research-related travel expenses are appropriate. Awards may be made for one quarter (maximum stipend $8,000) or for one academic year (maximum stipend $24,000) and may be received more than once.

Eligibility
To be eligible, applicants:

• Must be UCSB graduate students with financial need; domestic students must file the FAFSA.
• Must be registered on approved Leave of Absence during Spring 2021
• Must not be beyond time-to-degree standards
• Must not hold an active multi-year central fellowship package (e.g. students in a departmental appointment year of a multi-year award); must be in academic good standing at the time of nomination.
• Supportable areas of research are in one or more of the following areas with a strong preference for research in Mexico: systematic, floristic, vegetational, ecological and phytogeographic botany studies.
• Some applications will also be considered for research in botany in other areas; applicants may describe such studies in the project description.
• Activities not suitable for award include travel to increase familiarity with Mexico, photographic excursions and general plant collecting.

Award Determination
Awardees will be determined based on applicant’s merit, need and appropriate intent of the project. Graduate Division will mail notifications of award status to applicants by May of the current year.

Support
This award provides a stipend for one quarter or for one year plus payment of in-state tuition and UC health insurance. Please note that nonresident supplemental tuition will not be provided. Departments may supplement with any combination of appointments up to an average of 35% time during the academic year. (In these cases, Graduate Student Fee Remission will pay fees/UCSHIP from the salary account. The Graduate Division will pay the balance of fees if needed.)

Application Materials

☐ This form (2 pages). International students may provide the (Pg. 2) financial statement in lieu of FAFSA information
☐ 1 letter of recommendation from the student’s faculty advisor; letter must be sealed
☐ Curriculum Vitae (1-page maximum, single-spaced)
☐ Description of research project (one to two pages, single-spaced)
  ► Succinctly state your objective and the significance of your research; indicate how the topic fits the eligibility requirements of the fellowship; describe your general and specific interests in biological research; tell why the site is important to the study; give a detailed but brief budget of research costs (may include travel, supplies and minor equipment costs); give a study plan and goals and briefly discuss your qualifications for the study

Applicant’s Information

| Name: _____________________________ | Perm #: __________________________ |
| Department: _______________________ | E-mail: __________________________ |
| Project Title (or keywords): ________ | Phone: ___________________________ |
| ___________________________ | Faculty Mentor: __________________ |
| Date advanced: _________________ | If not, date expected: ____________ |
| Did you complete the 2021-22 FAFSA? Y N |
| Signature: _________________________ | Date: ____________________________ |

CALCULATION OF UNMET FINANCIAL NEED – INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-22

Name ___________________________ Perm _______________________
Phone ___________________________ E-mail _______________________
Country of Citizenship _________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State ________ Zip _____________
Permanent Address ______________________________________________
City ___________________________ State ________ Zip _____________
Gender ___________ Male ___________ Female ________________
Birthdate ______________________ Entered UCSB __________________
Married? ___________ YES ________ NO ________________
Spouse’s Name _________________________________________________
Spouse in U.S.? ___________ YES ________ NO ________________
Spouse’s Citizenship ___________________________________________
Is spouse a UCSB student? ___________ YES ________ NO ___________
If yes, list funding from UCSB ___________________________________
Spouse working? ___________ YES ________ NO ________________
Employer ___________________________ Employer’s Phone Number ___________
Monthly Salary ___________________________ If you have children, are they in the U.S.? ___________ YES ________ NO ___________
Spouse working? ___________ YES ________ NO ________________
Names and ages _________________________________________________

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Financial Information

**Expenses for 2021-22 (based on 2019-20 fees)**
- Graduate Student Fees $13,554
- Nonresident Tuition $15,102
- Health Insurance $3,798
- Living (rent, food, utilities, phone) $17,489
- Books and Supplies $390
- Personal Expenses $1,980
- Transportation $2,110
- Loan Repayments $45

**Subtotal - Expenses** $54,468

**Family/Student Contribution for 2021-22**
- From Parents, Relatives, Spouse ___________
- Savings, Investment Income ___________

**Subtotal - Family/Student Contribution** ___________

**Total Unmet Financial Need (Expenses Less Family/Student Contribution)** ___________

The information that I have given above is true and correct. If I receive any additional aid, I will contact the Graduate Division.

Signature ___________________________ Date ___________

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