Call for Applications for Hammett Fellowships

The Environmental Studies Department at UCSC is pleased to offer a 1-quarter graduate fellowships for spring, summer, or fall 2018 to graduate students who conduct interdisciplinary research on climate change or climate change and water issues. These funds are made possible by a generous donation from Benjamin and Ruth Hammett. Awards are available to graduate students in any department at UCSC. Priority will be given to students who: (1) are working with UCSC faculty in two different disciplines (ideally labs that have not collaborated extensively in the past), (2) whose projects show promise to provide pilot data to help secure additional outside funding and (3) whose results have clear applications to environmental problem solving.

Deadline: Applications must be received by February 15th, 2018 4:00pm. Applications should be sent by email to envsgpc@ucsc.edu. Please include your last name in the filename of the application attachment.

Criteria for selection:
(1) Quality of proposal
(2) Past and continuing evidence of research accomplishments
(3) Thematic link of research to climate change or climate change and water issues.
(4) Fit with the three criteria listed above
(5) Financial need. Priority will be given to students who have not had extensive prior fellowship funding (e.g. an NSF pre-doctoral fellowship).

Funding: The award provides $9,400 towards a 1-quarter fellowship for spring or fall 2016, or 50% summer salary and $2500 in research funds. The balance of funding for a spring or fall fellowship (total costs are ~$11,000 depending on the pay level) must be paid by the students’ department or other research funds.

Application: The application must include:
(1) A completed cover sheet (included below) including funding support to date
(2) A 2-page description of the proposed project which includes:
   a. A personal statement summarizing your academic situation (e.g., expected time to graduation), with particular attention to how support from the Hammett award would benefit your progress.
   b. A clear statement of the research being conducted, including your research questions and goals, and a brief description of your basic approaches.
   c. How your project specifically meets the three criteria listed above and, in particular, what each of the two participating faculty will contribute to your research.
(3) Letters of reference from the two faculty contributing to your project which includes a description of their contributions to this project. The letter from the major professor should indicate that funds exist to pay for the balance of the 1-quarter fellowship. Letters should be sent by separate email to envsgpc@ucsc.edu.
(4) A CV that includes the following sections: academic history; awards, grants, and honors; public talks; publications; teaching experiences; and public service activities. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Direct any questions to envsgpc@ucsc.edu.
Requirements: By the end of fall quarter 2018 each awardee is required to submit a brief (1-2 paragraphs), non-technical description of what was accomplished with the grant to provide to financial supporters.
2016 Hammett Fellowship Cover Sheet

Name of Applicant: 
Department: 
Year entered Program: 
Title of Project: 
Email: 
Telephone: 
Major Professor: 
Collaborating Professor: 

Funding request quarter: _____ Spring _____ Summer ______Fall

_____ Total # Quarters enrolled at UCSC

_____ # Quarters TAing to date

_____ # Quarters GSR support to date

_____ # Quarters fellowship support to date

List other past, current and pending funding for this project.
Include here a description of the proposed project (2 page, single-spaced, ≥12 pt. font, 1 inch margins). Please be clear how your project fits the areas of interest of the Hammett Awards and meets the criteria listed in the proposal call.