College of Liberal Arts
Behavioral Sciences Department

Research and Teaching Experience Scholarships
(funded by Talent and Incentive Scholarships)

for Undergraduate and Graduate Students

FALL 2014 & SPRING 2015 APPLICATION DEADLINE: 10/21/2014

Outstanding undergraduate and graduate students are eligible for Research and Teaching Experience Scholarships based on their demonstrated talent in the Behavioral Sciences.

Competitive undergraduates will be majors either in Psychology or Sociology, with 60 academic hours completed by the time the scholarship is awarded and minimum GPA of 3.0. Competitive graduate students will have been admitted unconditionally to the MAIS with a concentration in Sociology/Individual Studies or to the MA in Psychology. Additionally, applicants will have their Program of Study (POS) on file with the Office of Graduate Studies.

The Scholarship types are the following: 1) Undergraduate Research Scholarship; 2) Undergraduate Teaching Scholarship; 3) Graduate Research Scholarship; 4) Graduate Teaching Scholarship; 5) Undergraduate and Graduate Conference Scholarship. Each student is allowed to apply for only one Scholarship type.

The amount of the scholarship depends on availability of annual funding. The amount of the scholarship is handled by the Financial Aid Office, and is primarily assigned for tuition. If the student has no further financial obligations toward the University, the reminder of the Scholarship amount would be refunded to the student. This DOES NOT CHANGE the requirements of the awarded student (e.g. participation in a conference).

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1) **Undergraduate Research Scholarship** - 4 scholarships: $1,150 each

**Minimum requirements:**
- Undergraduate Student: Major in Sociology, Psychology
- Other majors may apply only if carry on interdisciplinary research under the supervision of Behavioral Sciences faculty (they must indicate name of the faculty in the application);
- Minimum 3.0 GPA, 60 credit hours completed;

**Student Application Documents:**
- Application Form,
- Approx. 500 words statement of Research Interests, also explaining the relation between student’s research interests and previous / current coursework,
- Unofficial Transcript

**Obligations of Awarded Student:**
- To enroll and successfully complete the Research Internship (Individual Study worth of 3 credit hours) in the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester.
- To successfully complete an online CITI training of Social and Behavioral Research Course and the Responsible Conduct of Research Course during the Research Internship (Individual Study) in the time indicated by Individual Study instructor,
- To participate in one (external to UTB) academic congress/conference/research seminar during the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester,
- To provide a one page report regarding accomplishments and personal development related to the participation in the Research Internship before the end of the Research Internship
2) **Undergraduate Teaching Scholarship** - 1 scholarship: $833

*Minimum requirements:*
- Undergraduate Student: Major in Sociology or Psychology; Minimum 3.0 GPA; At least half-time enrollment; 60-150 hours completed (at least 3 hours must be advanced level: 3000 or 4000)

*Student Application Documents:*
- Application Form,
- Approx. 500 words statement of Teaching Interests, also explaining the relation between student’s teaching interests and previous / current coursework,
- Unofficial Transcript

*Obligations of Awarded Student:*
- To enroll and successfully complete the Teaching Internship (Individual Study worth of 3 credit hours) in the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester.
- To provide a one page report regarding accomplishments and personal development related to the participation in the Teaching Internship before the end of the Teaching Internship
3) **Graduate Research Scholarship** - 2 scholarships: $1,600 each

*Minimum requirements:*
- Graduate student in Good Standing and Program of Study (POS) on file with Graduate Office.
- Admitted unconditionally to MAIS (concentration in Sociology/Individual Studies) or MA in Psychology;

*Student Application Documents:*
- Application Form,
- Approx. 500 words statement of Research Interests, also explaining the relation between student’s research interests and previous / current coursework,
- Unofficial Transcript

*Obligations of Awarded Student:*
- To enroll and successfully complete the Research Internship (Individual Study worth of 3 credit hours) in the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester;
- To successfully complete an online CITI training of Social and Behavioral Research Course and the Responsible Conduct of Research Course during the Research Internship (Individual Study) in the time indicated by Individual Study instructor;
- To participate in one (external to UTB) National or International academic congress/conference/research seminar during the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester;
- To provide a one page report regarding accomplishments and personal development related to the participation in the Research Internship before the end of the Research Internship;
4) **Graduate Teaching Scholarship** - 2 scholarships: $900 each

*Minimum requirements:*
- Graduate student in Good Standing and Program of Study (POS) on file with Graduate Office.
- Admitted unconditionally to MAIS (concentration in Sociology/Individual Studies) or MA in Psychology;

*Student Application Documents:*
- Application Form,
- Approx. 500 words statement of Teaching Interests, also explaining the relation between student’s teaching interests and previous / current coursework,
- Unofficial Transcript

*Obligations of Awarded Student:*
- To enroll and successfully complete the Teaching Internship (Individual Study worth of 3 credit hours) in the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semester.
- To provide a one page report regarding accomplishments and personal development related to the participation in the Teaching Internship before the end of the Teaching Internship
5) **Conference Scholarship:** 1 or 2 scholarships: approx. $500 - $1000.

**Minimum requirements for Undergraduate Students:**
- Major in Sociology, Psychology
- Other majors may apply only if carry on interdisciplinary research under the supervision of Behavioral Sciences faculty (they must indicate name of the faculty in the application);
- Minimum 3.0 GPA;
- 60 credit hours completed;

**Minimum requirements for Graduate Students:**
- Admitted unconditionally to:
  
  o MAIS with concentration in Sociology
  o MAIS with concentration in Individual Studies
  o MA in Psychology;
- Have their Program of Study (POS) on file with the Office of Graduate Studies;
- Good standing;

**Student Application Documents:**
- Application Form;
- Approx. 250 words statement explaining the relation between the Conference participation and student’s academic development;
- Conference Planned Participation Proof: the Conference Abstract Acceptance Letter **OR** Written statement about planned participation in conference as related to ongoing research project required from Behavioral Sciences Department faculty member;
- Unofficial Transcript

**Obligations of Awarded Student:**
- To participate in the National or International Conferences during Fall 2014, Spring 2015 or Summer 2015 semesters;
- To provide a proof of participation in the conference (e.g. diploma)