Freie Universität Berlin Graduate Student Exchange Program
Guidelines for the 2015-2016 Fellowship Year

Applications due Thursday, March 5, 2015

The Laney Graduate School has a graduate student exchange program with the Freie Universität Berlin (FUB). The program seeks to promote strong academic and cultural ties between the two institutions. One student may be selected to represent Emory at the FUB for the 2015-16 academic year (October 1, 2015- July 31, 2016). Selection is based on a competitive process.

Eligibility
To be considered for the fellowship, applicants:

• must be full time students in a doctoral program, in good standing both in the graduate school and in their programs;
• must currently be in their second or higher year of graduate study at Emory. Applicants who are not in candidacy at the time of application should include a letter from the DGS describing a plan of study showing that the student can both accept the fellowship and achieve candidacy within standard time limits;
• can be from any discipline, but must demonstrate that their dissertation research requires significant experimental, field, or archival research in Berlin;
• must demonstrate advanced German language skills, sufficient to conduct research. Students prepared to take courses delivered in German may elect to enroll in non-degree course work.

When applicable, the FUB Exchange Fellowship replaces other Laney Graduate School stipend and scholarship funding a student may have been scheduled to receive for the fellowship year. The eligibility for that other funding may be reserved to be used in a subsequent year.

Fellows are expected to devote full time to their research and hence may not undertake other work for compensation.

For information about studying as at the FUB, visit www.fu-berlin.de/student-in. For more about this particular program, follow the link “Direktaustausch.”

Fellowship Terms

1. Each visiting student will have full access to university research facilities including libraries and computer facilities as well as a faculty advisor.
2. Emory will fund the travel expenses of one round trip flight between Atlanta and Berlin.
3. Tuition and fees for one academic year will be paid by the FUB.
4. Exchange students will receive a € 650 per month stipend (€ 750 for graduate students, €1000 for PhD students), € 100 book allowance, € 400 health insurance allowance per semester, € 250 per semester for student fees and a waiver of registration fees, and housing options.
5. The stipend may include both direct financial support and in kind support which may consist of housing, health insurance, and other pre-paid items. The direct living support will be paid in monthly payments corresponding to the FUB academic year (October through July).
6. Although assistance will be available to find suitable housing, exchange students will arrange and pay for their own housing.
7. An annual report should be written by each student participant. These reports should be submitted to the person designated by the home institution.

Application Procedure
All nominations and applications, including supporting materials, will be uploaded using Blackboard.
1. Go to https://classes.emory.edu/ and log in using your regular Emory net ID and password
2. Click on the Organization tab at the top of your screen;
3. Under the “Organization Catalog” click on the “Laney Graduate School” folder;
4. Under the “Search Catalog,” type “Laney Graduate School Fellowships, 2015-2016” and click GO
5. Under the Organization ID, LGS_L, click the arrow. A drop down menu listing “enroll” should appear, click the “enroll” button.

After you join the Blackboard organization, you will find detailed instructions.

Successful applicants will need to fill out an FUB application, submit two passport size photos, and submit a statement granting permission to the FUB to disclose to the Graduate School an evaluation of the candidate’s academic performance within 30 days of the end of the academic year.

Review Applications will be reviewed by a faculty committee convened by the Laney Graduate School.

Award Notifications Applicants will be notified by Friday, April 3, 2015.

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