

AERA Postdoctoral Fellows Program Call for Applications

Deadline: December 15, 2008

The American Educational Research Association (AERA) invites applications for two fellowship programs for recent doctoral degree recipients interested in advancing their research knowledge and training in an applied education research environment. The AERA-AIR (A²) Fellows Program and the AERA-ETS Fellowship Program in Measurement offer 2 years of intensive research and training opportunities that encourage excellence in research as well as teamwork and collaboration. Fellows gain practical experience in education research, proposal development, program evaluation, and technical assistance projects to prepare them for productive research careers in a range of employment contexts. These fellows and their mentors are a part of AERA's broader Postdoctoral Fellows Program, which provides professional development and training experiences through AERA-sponsored activities and other education research programs. Underrepresented minority researchers are encouraged to apply.

AERA-AIR (A²) Fellows Program: A collaboration between AERA and the American Institutes for Research (AIR), the A² program aims to build the talent pool of high-skilled education researchers experienced in performing large-scale studies in a major research organization. A² fellows receive mentoring from a diverse group of highly recognized researchers and practitioners in a variety of substantive areas in education. Fellows will hone their skills in all aspects of the research process, from proposal development through writing and presentations. Up to three fellows are selected annually for a 2-year, rotational position at AIR in Washington, D.C.

AERA-ETS Fellowship Program in Measurement: A collaboration between AERA and Educational Testing Service (ETS), this program is designed to provide learning opportunities and practical experience to recent doctoral degree recipients and to early career research scientists in educational measurement, assessment design, psychometrics, statistical analyses, large-scale evaluations, or other areas directed to explaining student progress and achievement. Up to two fellows will be selected for this 2-year rotational research position at ETS's facilities in Princeton, New Jersey.

How to apply: Application information is available at the AERA website (<http://www.aera.net>).

Dissertation Research Support AERA Minority Dissertation Fellowship in Education Research Call for Applications

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In 1991, the Council of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) established the AERA Minority Fellowship Program to provide support for doctoral dissertation research. The purposes of the program are to advance education research by outstanding minority graduate students and to improve the quality and diversity of university faculties. This program offers dissertation fellowships to enhance the competitiveness of outstanding minority scholars for academic appointments at major research universities. It supports fellows conducting education research and provides mentoring and guidance toward the completion of their doctoral studies.

Awards and tenure: AERA will award up to three dissertation fellowships every year. Each fellowship award is for 1 year, beginning July 1 or later, and is nonrenewable. Fellowships are awarded for doctoral dissertation research conducted under faculty sponsorship in any accredited university in the United States.

Eligibility: This program is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents. Fellows will be required to provide proof of advancement to candidacy at the beginning of the grant period. At the time of application submission, the dissertation advisor will attest to the proposal constituting research for the doctoral degree. Applicants must work full time on their dissertations and course requirements. This program is targeted for members of racial and ethnic groups historically underrepresented in higher education (e.g., African Americans, Alaskan Natives, American Indians, Asian Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, and Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islanders).

Stipends and allowances: Fellows will receive a 1-year stipend of \$12,000 and up to \$1,000 in travel support to attend and present at the AERA Annual Meeting. Fellowships may be supplemented by university or department awards and tuition waivers. Such supplements are encouraged.

How to apply: Application information is available at the AERA website (<http://www.aera.net>).