

Call for GPD Fellowship Applications – 2016-17

The Watson Institute's Graduate Program in Development (GPD) is seeking applications for fellowships for 2016-17. The fellowship is for a period of one year, although students are expected to stay active in the program beyond their fellowship year. The fellowships are supported by the Watson Institute and the Dean of the Faculty.

The goal of the GPD program is to provide support for graduate training and research in the area of development, broadly understood as the study of the complex interaction of markets, governance, social structures, and culture in societies undergoing rapid transformation. The program seeks to provide Fellows with interdisciplinary theoretical and methodological skills, the capacity to engage with research from other disciplines, and opportunities for pre-dissertation fieldwork.

Eligibility: all PhD students who are currently in their first or second year of PhD training in Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, History, or Sociology are eligible. All candidates must meet the following criteria: 1) a research interest in development broadly defined, 2) an interest in acquiring and using interdisciplinary skills and knowledge, and 3) a commitment to dissertation research that includes field-based research in developing regions.

Requirements: in addition to completing the requirements for normal progress in their home department, Fellows are expected to complete all the requirements of the GPD program. The requirements are as follows:

- DEVL 2000
- One module
- Attending the Wednesday afternoon Development & Governance Seminar (DGS)
- One of the following:
 - DEVL 2010
 - One course outside of the home department (not including DEVL 2000), which should be a methods course or substantive course related to development.
 - One additional module
 - Traineeship, working with a faculty member on a research project (roughly understood to be 10 hours a week)

Fellows must take DEVL 2000 in their fellowship year. Other requirements need not be completed during the fellowship year though they must be completed before dissertation work begins. All Fellows receive funding equivalent to standard department support and are eligible for two summers of field research support (awarded on a competitive basis through a separate call). Office space in the Watson Institute is available to all Fellows. During the course of the fellowship year, Fellows cannot accept RA or TA assignments and should be taking courses that advance their disciplinary or interdisciplinary training.

GPD offers 3-4 modules a year. These are short, non-credit courses offered at non-regular times that are designed to introduce trainees to different methods (spatial analysis, experiments, survey techniques and ethnography). For more information about the program, go to <http://watson.brown.edu/gpd/>

Application:

In order to apply, please submit the following items to the GPD administration by email to GPD@brown.edu by **Monday, April 4, 2016**:

- 1) A recent CV.
- 2) A statement of no more than 750 words explaining your interest in the program and how your research would benefit from the program.
- 3) A letter of recommendation from a GPD faculty member. For a full list of affiliated faculty, please go to <http://watson.brown.edu/gpd/people/faculty/>.
- 4) A copy of your internal Brown transcript.

Applicants with questions should contact the GPD director, Patrick Heller (patrick_heller@brown.edu).

Decisions will be made the first week of April.