

provide fellowships in academic career fields of high national priority as established by the Secretary from among one or more of the academic areas listed in the appendix to this part or the resulting interdisciplinary or inter-disciplinary academic areas.

(c) The Secretary announces the absolute preferences annually in the FEDERAL REGISTER notice inviting applications for new awards under this program.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134d, 1134e)

Subpart E—How Are Fellows Selected?

§ 649.40 How does an institution of higher education select fellows?

(a) In selecting individuals to receive master's level and professional study fellowships, the institution of higher education shall—

(1) Give priority to members of one or more of the groups identified for priority in § 649.3(b)(1); and

(2) Select only individuals who—

(i) Have been accepted for or are enrolled in a program of study leading to a master's level or professional degree in the academic field for which the institution received a grant;

(ii) Plan to pursue an academic or professional career in the academic field of study for which the institution received the grant;

(iii)(A) Are nationals of the United States;

(B) Are in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intend to become permanent residents; or

(C) Are permanent residents of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

(iv) Are not ineligible to receive assistance under 34 CFR 75.60, as added on July 8, 1992 (57 FR 30328, 30337).

(b) In selecting individuals to receive doctoral study fellowships, the institution of higher education shall—

(1) Give priority to members of one or more of the groups identified for priority in § 649.3(b)(2); and

(2) For doctoral study fellowships other than doctoral study leading to an academic career, select only individuals who—

(i) Have been accepted for or are enrolled in a program of study leading to

a doctoral degree in the academic field for which the institution received a grant;

(ii) Plan to pursue a professional career in the academic field of study for which the institution received the grant;

(iii)(A) Are nationals of the United States;

(B) Are in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intend to become permanent residents; or

(C) Are permanent residents of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

(iv) Are not ineligible to receive assistance under 34 CFR 75.60, as added on July 8, 1992 (57 FR 30328, 30337); and

(3) For fellowships for doctoral study leading to an academic career, select only individuals who—

(i) Have been accepted for or are enrolled in a program of study leading to a doctoral degree in the academic field for which the institution received a grant;

(ii) Plan to pursue an academic career in the academic field of study for which the institution received the grant;

(iii) Are citizens of the United States; and

(iv) Are not ineligible to receive assistance under 34 CFR 75.60, as added on July 8, 1992 (57 FR 30328, 30337).

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134, 1134e, 1134f)

§ 649.41 How does an individual apply for a fellowship?

An individual must apply directly to an institution of higher education that has received a grant.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134e)

Subpart F—What Are the Conditions and Components of a Fellowship?

§ 649.50 What are the conditions and components of a fellowship for master's level or professional degree study?

(a) An award for a fellowship for a master's level or professional degree program of study is for the normal period of time for completing the program or a total of three years, whichever is less.

(b) A fellow may apply to the Secretary for an additional period of fellowship support of up to 12 months. The fellow's application must include—

(1) The specific facts detailing the reasons why the additional period of support is necessary;

(2) A certification by the institution that it is aware of the fellow's application and that the fellow has attained satisfactory progress in the fellow's academic studies; and

(3) A recommendation from the institution that the additional period of fellowship support of up to 12 months is necessary.

(c) The institution shall request approval for the additional support in its third-year noncompeting continuation application, as required under 34 CFR 75.253 for multiyear project periods.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134f)

§ 649.51 What are the conditions and components of a fellowship for doctoral study?

(a) An award for a fellowship for doctoral study is for a total of three years, consisting of not more than two years of fellowship support for study or research, and not more than one year of support for dissertation work, provided that the fellow has attained satisfactory progress prior to the dissertation stage.

(b) Following the two years of fellowship support for study or research, the institution of higher education shall provide—

(1) Financial support in the amount of the fellow's financial need, as defined in § 649.6(b), or in an amount equal to the stipend awarded in the last year of fellowship support, whichever is less, for two years;

(2) A waiver of tuition and fees or an allowance on behalf of the fellow as full payment of tuition and fees required of the fellow by the institution as part of the fellow's instructional program for two years; and

(3)(i) Teaching requirements for the fellow that equal those required of other graduate teaching assistants at that institution; and

(ii) Supervision of the fellow's teaching for one year.

(c) Following two years of institutional support, the institution must include in its application for the third year of fellowship support for the fellow's dissertation work a certification that—

(1) The institution has provided two years of institutional support;

(2) The fellow satisfactorily completed one year of supervised teaching; and

(3) The fellow satisfactorily completed all pre-dissertation requirements.

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§ 649.52 What fellowship conditions apply?

To continue to receive payments under a fellowship, a fellow must—

(a) Maintain satisfactory progress;

(b) Devote essentially full time to study or research (including acting as a teaching or research assistant, as required as a condition for award of the degree) in the academic field for which the fellowship was awarded; and

(c) Not engage in gainful employment during the period of the fellowship, except on a part-time basis in teaching, research, or similar types of activities approved by the Secretary.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134f)

Subpart G—What Are the Administrative Responsibilities of the Institution?

§ 649.60 What is the amount of a stipend?

(a) The institution shall calculate the amount of a fellow's financial need annually, in accordance with Part F of Title IV of the HEA.

(b) For a fellowship initially awarded for an academic year prior to the academic year 1993-1994, the institution shall pay the fellow a stipend in the amount of the fellow's financial need or \$10,000, whichever is less.

(c) For a fellowship initially awarded for the academic year 1993-1994 or any succeeding academic year, the institution shall pay the fellow a stipend at a level of support equal to that provided by the National Science Foundation