ENHANCING GRADUATE PROGRAM EXCELLENCE

"Recruit and Matriculate the Best"

Utilization of OGAPS Graduate Student Support Funds

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Strategic Priorities

- Recruit and matriculate the best.
- Promote diversity
- Assure success
- Enhance quality/effectiveness of graduate education

Fellowship Models

Top-Off Fellowships

• \$5,000-\$7,000 Top-Off fellowships - entice matriculation of outstanding fellowship holders, esp. diversity

Excellence Fellowships 1/2 Match with Department or Faculty

• ½-match Excellence Fellowship to ½-match departmental assistantship, 1 year

Enhanced Excellence Fellowships ½ Match +10%

• ½ match Excellent Fellowship + 10% above departmental assistantship rate, plus tuition & insurance (if needed) to ½-match departmental assistantship + 10% above base assistantship rate, 1 year

Excellence Diversity Fellowship ½ Match for 2 years

• 2 years ½-match Excellence Fellowship to ½-match departmental assistantship, if join Sloan PEM

Merit Fellowships

- OGAPS allocated Merit Fellowship funds to College to select and award
- Full fellowship at departmental base rate +20%, plus tuition, fees and insurance if needed, 1 year. Requires departmental assistantship commitment for future years

Enhance Departmental Program

Sloan PEM – Towards Success in Research and Leadership Graduate Learning Community

- Match a Sloan Foundation Program in Exemplary Mentoring (PEM) grant
- A graduate learning community that focuses on success in graduate school: Understanding the written and unwritten expectations of the university, college, department and their graduate advisor, develop leadership skills, develop mentee and mentor skills; develop a sense of graduate community

Departmental Graduate Recruiting Grants

- \$500-\$1,000 recruiting grant to match departmental funds to bring a prospective student to campus
- \$5,000 if a department brings in a cohort for a recruiting event

College Recruiting Activities

• Attend SACNAS, MANNARS, SREB, College Recruiting Days, etc. to recruit top students and top diversity students.

Graduate Assistantships

• Selected graduate assistantship, primarily to partially match diversity student packages, Fulbright, graduate student to assist with Sloan PEM, etc.

Competitive Departmental Grant Program

• Issue call for departmental grants that enhance their graduate program and/or decrease time to degree.

Graduate Activities

• Support selected graduate student organized activities, such as the Ecological Symposium

Tuition Overage

• Backstop any overage of the Masters Base/Flex Tuition pool.