Purpose

The Center seeks applications from affiliated faculty researchers interested in hiring a GSR (up to 50% time) for Summer 2013, Fall 2013. While the primary funding period associated with this call is Summer and Fall 2013, multi-quarter projects that begin in Summer or Fall and would extend through Winter/Spring 2014 will also be considered. The Center anticipates providing up to four graduate students with research assistant positions. Receipt of research assistance funds is contingent on agreement by the affiliated faculty member to write a two page policy brief in collaboration with the research assistant.

The Center seeks applications from faculty affiliates who are conducting research related to our core research areas:

- Labor markets and poverty
- The non-cash safety net, broadly construed to include education and health policies
- Children and the intergenerational transmission of poverty
- Immigration and Poverty, especially in connection with the above three areas

Terms of the graduate research fellowship

By the end of fall quarter, the supervising faculty will, in collaboration with the GSR and the Center’s Senior Writer, write and submit a two page policy brief. The policy brief will be a summary of the faculty member’s own poverty-related research (preferably the project for which the graduate student research assistant is hired), aimed at a general audience. All briefs will be disseminated by the Center. Examples of existing policy briefs are currently available on our website.

Due to limited funding available, only resident graduate students are eligible.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated by an interdisciplinary group of senior scholars affiliated with the Center for Poverty Research. Proposals will be evaluated on several factors, including:

- The project’s relevance to the Center’s core research areas;
- The student’s academic achievement;
- The student’s seniority—we are particularly interested in funding students who are at an early stage of their graduate career.

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Application Instructions

Proposals must be received by 5pm on May 15, 2013. All applications must be initiated by an affiliated faculty member. Only applications in which a particular graduate student is identified as the potential GSR for an affiliated faculty will be considered.

Please complete the web form located at: http://poverty.ucdavis.edu/post/graduate-student-research-fellowships-summerfall-2013-call-proposals to complete and submit the following elements:

1. 250 word description of the anticipated research project, and 1) how it links to least one of the Center’s core research themes, and 2) a description of the project specific tasks that the research assistant will be engaged in.

2. Student’s academic transcript (unofficial is sufficient).

About the Center for Poverty Research

The Center for Poverty Research is one of three poverty centers with core funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE). The Center was founded in September 2011. Its core mission includes facilitating non-partisan academic research on poverty in the United States, training the next generation of poverty researchers, and disseminating poverty research.