**The Graduate Writing Fellows Program 2016-17**

**The University Writing Program**

**Writing Across the Curriculum Program**

The Graduate Writing Fellows Program offers graduate students from all disciplines a valuable professionalizing opportunity to hold writing consultations with other graduate students on their writing. We highly encourage fellows to apply from a range of disciplines so that our program can represent the diversity of interests and talents on our campus.

**Applications Due: Monday, May 2nd, 2016 at 5:00 P.M. to Brenda Rinard,** [**bjrinard@ucdavis.edu**](mailto:bjrinard@ucdavis.edu)

**Time Commitment and Responsibilities:**

Graduate Writing Fellows (GWFs) can expect a time commitment of 3-5 hours per week, which will include the following:

1. Consulting with graduate students on their writing for two hours per week
2. Completing a year-long project that will enhance and promote graduate student and postdoc writing support in all disciplines
3. Shadowing faculty at workshop presentations
4. Leading one graduate student writing retreat per quarter
5. Attending monthly professional development meetings led by faculty and writing fellow mentors
6. Facilitating writing/working groups for graduate students

At the start of each quarter, GWFs will receive a schedule of all required activities such as meetings, trainings, and writing retreats. Professional development meetings are typically held on Friday mornings and we encourage incoming fellows to keep that time open in their schedules.

**Professionalization and Mentoring**

Graduate Writing Fellows should leave the program with valuable experience and relationships that will benefit them in their future careers. The professionalization component of the fellowship involves:

1. Seminar-based preparation program designed to help fellows successfully support other graduate student writers one-on-one.
2. The chance to communicate with, support, and learn from other graduate students from across the disciplines.
3. The opportunity to present at undergraduate or graduate Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) workshops with both faculty members of the Writing Across the Curriculum Team and other Graduate Writing Fellows.
4. A letter or recommendation after completing the fellowship program from the WAC Assistant Director.

**Selection Process**

To become a Graduate Writing Fellow, graduate students

1. Submit a letter of interest and a CV to bjrinard@ucdavis.edu by **Monday, May 2st, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.**
   1. Letter of interest should include the following:
      1. Statement of interest in the program
      2. Explanation of what writing and tutoring interests and experiences the applicant brings to the program
      3. Description of what applicant hopes to gain from the program
      4. Relevant experiences for the program (e.g. working with colleagues on-on-one, working with diverse populations, organizing events)
2. Attend an interview with the faculty director and lead graduate fellow of the program
3. Should demonstrate significant interest in writing as well as success in writing within their own disciplines.

After the interview process, each GWF will receive a letter of acceptance that lays out their responsibilities if they choose to accept the fellowship.

**Stipend**

Each fellow will receive $3,000 stipend for the academic year.

**Contact**

**Brenda Rinard, Assistant Director of Writing across the Curriculum Program: bjrinard@ucdavis.edu**