Stanford Institute for Research in the Social Sciences

Call for Proposals

2020-2021 Dissertation Fellows

The Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (IRiSS) invites applications for IRiSS Dissertation Fellows. The program supports work across the six social science departments within the School of Humanities & Sciences. Particular encouragement is provided to graduate students whose research crosses disciplinary boundaries, relies upon computational social science methods, and/or analyzes large, complex data sets.

IRiSS Dissertation Fellows receive a stipend of $5,500 per quarter for not more than two quarters. They will have access to research support services within IRiSS, and will be encouraged to participate in monthly fellows’ lunch conversations throughout the academic year. Shared office space may be provided to allow fellows to participate in activities at the Institute.

Eligibility:
Applicants must have advanced to Ph.D. candidacy, have TGR status by Autumn Quarter 2020, and have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. (including any required supervised teaching), other than the dissertation. This includes handling any incompletes. They must have a dissertation proposal approved by their committee. Strong preference will be given to applicants with a clear likelihood of completing the degree within their tenure as an IRiSS fellow. Dissertation fellows must be continuously enrolled throughout their time at IRiSS. Dissertation Fellows are required to submit a brief one–page report at the end of their fellowship.

Application: Please apply using this link: IRiSS Dissertation Fellowship

Applications for a fellowship must include:

- Name, contact information, department, and expected date of completion
- Faculty advisor name and contact information
- 1-2 pages that outline the research focus of the dissertation (readable 10pt font or larger)
- A brief statement of IRiSS resources that would be helpful to the completion of the dissertation.

Applications should be submitted by February 21, 2020. IRiSS Dissertation Fellows appointments will be announced by early April.

Please contact IRiSS program director Carolyn Ybarra (ybarra@stanford.edu) with any questions.