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DID YOU KNOW THAT?

A Newsletter for Graduate Students in Arts & Sciences

FROM THE A&S GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (GSA)

Greetings, fellow A&S graduate students, and welcome to the 2009-2010 academic year! We at the GSA are looking forward to another exciting year and we hope you are, too. We have a large number of events planned for you, which range from the "scholarly" to the "just plain 'ol fun". These are just a few of the highlights: the Grad Bash, weekly grad night socials, the Great Raft Debate, our new series of networking events, Sports!, and the Graduate Research Symposium. There are, of course, many, many other events, so we encourage you to get involved and join our graduate community. If you are interested in learning more about the exciting events we have planned, or if you have questions about the GSA in general, please contact me at kjsmi2@wm.edu. I look forward to hearing from you. Let's make this the best year yet!
Kevin Smith,
GSA President

GSA FALL MEETINGS
Fall meetings will be held on Oct. 7, Nov. 4, and Dec. 2. All meetings will be held in room 221 of Blair Hall at 6:00pm. Pizza and refreshments will be provided. Please be mindful that representation at these meetings ensures that your program remains eligible under the "Good Standing Provision for GSA Conference Funding". Department representatives are encouraged to contact Kevin Smith at kjsmi2@wm.edu for more information.

W&M GRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

The Arts and Sciences Graduate Research Symposium (A&S GRS) is the only broadly themed graduate student focused conference designed to bring together graduate students from differing areas of study and from all stages of the degree process. **The first committee meeting will be held Wednesday, September 2, at 6:00 pm in the Stetson House. Pizza will be served.** The Symposium Committee is composed of an inspired group of graduate students dedicated to developing strategies for organizing a professional interdisciplinary conference. With 115 presenters from the College of William and Mary and regional universities, the A&S GRS gives you, as a graduate student, the opportunity to step up and take on volunteer positions as leaders and integral members on the symposium planning team. This is an excellent opportunity to gain expertise as a valuable addition to your resumé or future letters of recommendation. Please send an e-mail to grs@wm.edu if you are interested. Please plan on attending the meeting and bringing your ideas and suggestions. If you cannot attend but would like more information, contact cyroberts@wm.edu.

Symposium Committee Leadership Positions:

Event Manager: Assists the Humanities and Sciences Chairs in the coordination, organization, and implementation of the Graduate Research Symposium, including room setup, presentation (a/v), catering, and guest services.

Volunteer Coordinator: Will plan, organize, and manage the event volunteers. Duties include assigning volunteer tasks, creating volunteer schedules, and overseeing registration procedures during the event.

Speaker Coordinator: Identify and contact potential speaker(s). Duties include arranging and providing for guest speaker(s) travel, lodging, honorarium, and all other needs.

Internal Communication Specialist: Will be responsible for marketing the event to the College of William and Mary faculty, staff, and students. Duties include the design and delivery of brochures and flyers, frequent e-mail communication, and selected invitations to guest participants (e.g., President, Provost, Deans, and Departmental Directors of Graduate Studies).

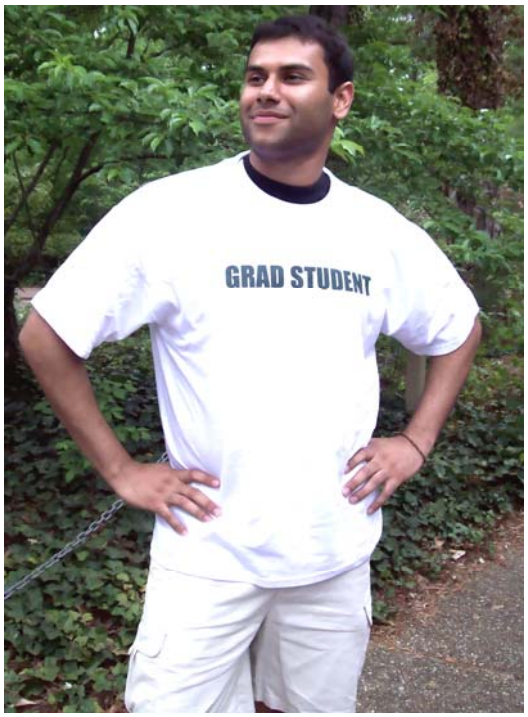
External Communication Specialist: Will be responsible for marketing the Symposium to the Williamsburg community and regional universities. Duties include but are not limited to the design of advertising copy, press releases, and correspondence with departmental chairs at regional universities.

Web Master: Will create and maintain the Graduate Research Symposium web site, including the development of web-based forms and the maintenance of a web database.

Publications Specialist: Will design and print the Graduate Research Symposium Program.

Sponsor Coordinator: Will be responsible for securing sponsors for the event. A sponsor can provide either financial or "gift-in-kind" support.

GRAD STUDENT T-SHIRTS FOR SALE – ONLY $10. The GSA is selling "GRAD STUDENT" t-shirts for only $10 each. Shirts are available in gray and white, sizes S-XL with hunter green lettering. Quantities are limited so get your shirt today before they are all gone. If you are interested in buying a shirt, please contact GSA Social Chair Zach Brown (zsbrown@wm.edu). Please make check payable to "Office of Graduate Studies and Research".



RESEARCH & TRAVEL FUNDING

A&S GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS. A&S Graduate students are encouraged to apply for support [maximum of $300] from the Office of Graduate Studies and Research that will allow them to collect data at museums or archives, conduct research, and travel to field work sites. The purpose of the support is to enhance the graduate students' professional preparation. Not all applicants will receive funding or full funding; therefore, students are encouraged to apply for additional aid or matching funds from other sources and to indicate this information on their applications. Such information will be viewed favorably in the evaluation process. Funding will be limited to direct research related activities. **Eligibility:** Any graduate student actively enrolled in a graduate program of Arts & Sciences, and who is in good academic standing may apply. Students who have previously received a Graduate Student Research Grant from the Office of Graduate Studies and Research are eligible to apply, but applications from students who have not previously received such a grant will be given higher funding priority. International travel is not supported. **Application Procedure:** There will be three opportunities to apply in 2009-2010 (one in October, one in February and one in April). Applications for Fall 2009 must be received in the Office of Graduate Studies and Research by 4:00 p.m. on **October 9, 2009,** and will cover expenses incurred September 1 through December 31, 2009. Late applications will not be accepted. Applications must be signed by the student's faculty advisor, and must also include a signed Institutional Compliance Form. Guidelines and an application form can be found at: http://www.wm.edu/as/graduate/studentresources/researchgrants/index.php. Students seeking funding for conference travel should not apply to this program, but should see application guidelines for the Graduate Student Association Supplemental Conference Travel funds at http://www.wm.edu/so/gsa/instructions.php.

NEWS & INFORMATION

LUNCH WITH THE PRESIDENT. President Reveley will host lunches and office hours for students this semester. The lunches will be on September 22, October 6, November 6, November 16 and December 8. Office hours will be held on September 21, October 2, October 20 and November 12. For more information and to sign up, please contact Carla Costello at cacostello@wm.edu.

GRADUATE CENTER PROGRAMS. The Graduate Center, located in the Stetson House at 232 Jamestown Road, offers courses and workshops intended to complement your academic curriculum. Meeting times are chosen to avoid conflicts with your primary academic commitments.

COLL 501 (Section 1): English Conversation & Pronunciation – 13371; Begins September 8th
(0 credit, P/F) Instructor – Cortney Cain
Tuesdays, James Blair 215, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
In this course students who are non-native English speakers will learn more about the rhythm, stress, and intonation patterns of spoken English, improve their ability to communicate with others, and practice distinguishing sounds that are unique to the English language. Recorded assignments and in-class discussions will allow students opportunities to practice their conversational skills and learn more about American culture.

COLL 501 (Section 2): English Conversation & Pronunciation – 13371; Begins September 10th
(0 credit, P/F) Instructor – Cortney Cain
Thursdays, Tyler 219, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
In this course students who are non-native English speakers will learn more about the rhythm, stress, and intonation patterns of spoken English, improve their ability to communicate with others, and practice distinguishing sounds that are unique to the English language. Recorded assignments and in-class discussions will allow students opportunities to practice their conversational skills and learn more about American culture.

COLL 505: Oral Presentation Skills – 13403 Begins September 8th
(0 credit, P/F) Instructor – Lee Alexander
Tuesday, Washington 308, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
This course is for domestic and international students who want to refine their oral communication skills and learn more about presentation norms. Students will participate in various kinds of oral communication activities, including presenting speeches given for different purposes, critiquing speech content, organization, and delivery, and presenting a paper following specific guidelines set forth by a conference or association.

GRADUATE ARTS AND SCIENCES 2009-2010 PROGRAM CATALOG. The 2009-2010 catalog can be found online at the following site or you can obtain a copy from your department or program if you haven't already done so. This is an invaluable resource to students. http://www.wm.edu/as/graduate/studentresources/index.php

STUDENT HANDBOOK - AVAILABLE ONLY ONLINE. All students at William and Mary are bound by the regulations noted within the *Student Handbook*. The College reserves the right to make changes in the procedures and regulations contained within the *Handbook* at any time. The *Handbook* contains important information about the College's expectations regarding student conduct, student rights and responsibilities, and relevant processes and procedures to address alleged misconduct. The Honor Code and its procedures are also included in the *Handbook.* http://www.wm.edu/offices/deanofstudents/services/studentconduct/studenthandbook/index.php

GUIDE TO GRADUATE LIVING. Recently revised and updated by the William & Mary Graduate Council and Office of Student Affairs, this booklet aims to provide graduate students with a useful introduction to the services and resources available in and around the William & Mary community. Our goal is to help you become more familiar with what Williamsburg and the surrounding area has to offer. http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/senioradmin/studentaffairs/documents/graduateliving.pdf

PHYSICAL STANDARDS FOR THESES AND DISSERTATIONS. Please note that the Physical Standards for Theses and Dissertations have been updated. Graduates must adhere to the new guidelines which have minor revisions dated 7/25/08. The updated standards can be found on the following site. http://www.wm.edu/as/graduate/studentresources/physicalstandards/index.php **Please note that a **Compliance Committee Form** is required for all theses and dissertations. http://www.wm.edu/as/graduate/documents/InstitutionalComplianceCommitteeForm1.pdf

DON'T BE FOOLED BY E-MAIL FRAUD! Information Technology or other offices at W&M will NEVER ask you to send your password, social security number, account numbers, or other personal information to them in an e-mail message. Also, you should never just click a web link in an e-mail message and type your private information; be sure you know that the web address is legitimate first. Every year at W&M, "phishing" e-mail messages fool students, faculty, and staff into providing private data, such as a password or account number, to criminals. These fraudulent e-mail messages can even look like they've been sent from an official wm.edu address or look like they connect to an official W&M web site. If you have any doubts or questions, please review IT policy about protecting your personal information and the W&M network by visiting http://www.wm.edu/offices/it/alerts/dont-take-the-bait..php.

CAMPUS-WIDE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM During emergency situations or closings due to inclement weather, the College uses several methods to alert the campus. An emergency notification system, Blackboard Connect, is used to notify students, faculty and staff via voice, email and text messages sent over land lines and cell phones. In addition, an audible alert or siren will sound if an event poses imminent danger, and the College's homepage provides alerts and continuing information as the emergency develops. This emergency notification system is tested at the beginning of each semester to ensure proper functioning.

For this system to work, it is essential that the College have a way to contact you. Students are required to register at least one phone number, which should be your own, in the emergency notification system. Additionally, students can register a total of six phone numbers of people to be notified in the event of a campus-wide emergency. We encourage you to discuss with your family who you should register into the system. The data you provide will only be used in the event of an emergency. It will not be made available for any other purpose. So, when you receive the request to input your contact information, please do so promptly. You will not be able to validate your registration for the fall until you have done so. NOTE: *This is not to be confused with the Emergency Contact, which are the name(s)s and phone number(s) of those who would be contacted should you have a personal emergency.*

Important information on W&M health care and insurance eligibility for 2009-10

Students who want to be eligible for the College's Student Insurance Plan and for use of the Student Health Center in 2009-10 should be sure to understand the following information.

(1) Students who were admitted to the College for Fall 2006 or later and who register full-time or with Research Graduate status will be enrolled in and billed for the College's Student Insurance Plan unless proof of other adequate health insurance coverage was provided by submitting a waiver request that was subsequently approved prior to the July 1, 2009 deadline (extended to September 4, 2009). Students who didn't request a waiver because they want to enroll in the Student Insurance Plan should already see a charge for "Student Health Insurance" on their Student Account; contact Trista Sikes (trsike@wm.edu) immediately if this charge has not appeared. The waiver request is available on the Insurance page of the Student Health Center website at http://www.wm.edu/offices/healthcenter/studentinsurance/waiverinfo/index.php. This requirement includes students who receive a W&M Master's degree and are then admitted to a W&M PhD program. All F-1 & J-1 International students are automatically enrolled in the Student Insurance Plan.

(2) Students in the above categories who did not complete the waiver by July 1, 2009 (extended to September 4, 2009), will have the Student Insurance coverage billed to their student account in two installments ("Annual in Installments"). Students should read the points below carefully to determine whether their circumstances require "Annual" coverage rather than "Annual in Installments" coverage. Students needing "Annual" coverage should actively enroll by completing the College Enrollment Request form at http://www.wm.edu/offices/healthcenter/studentinsurance/enrollmentinfo/index.php and selecting "Annual" rather than "Annual in Installments".

(3) Students who register full-time or with Research Graduate status in the Fall 2009 semester and who check the box for "Annual" coverage (NOT "Annual in Installments") on the College Enrollment Request form at http://www.wm.edu/offices/healthcenter/studentinsurance/enrollmentinfo/index.php will continue to be eligible for the College's Student Insurance even if they become part-time or continuous enrollment students in the Spring 2010 semester. Note that insured part-time or continuous enrollment students are eligible for pharmacy services but not medical services at the W&M Student Health Center, whereas insured full-time or Research Graduate students are eligible for both pharmacy services and medical services at the W&M Student Health Center with payment of the Student Health Center fee.

(4) Students who register full-time or with Research Graduate status in the Fall 2009 semester and who have the Student Insurance coverage billed in two installments ("Annual in Installments") or who check the box for Fall only coverage on the College Enrollment Request form will NOT be eligible for the College's Student Insurance in the Spring 2010 semester if they become part-time or continuous enrollment students. Such students should plan ahead and enroll for "Annual" coverage (NOT "Annual in Installments") using the College Enrollment Request form at http://www.wm.edu/offices/healthcenter/studentinsurance/enrollmentinfo/index.php if they wish to remain eligible for the College's Student Insurance in the Spring 2010 semester while they are part-time or continuous enrollment students. Note that insured part-time or continuous enrollment students are eligible for pharmacy services but not medical services at the W&M Student Health Center, whereas insured full-time or Research Graduate students are eligible for both pharmacy services and medical services at the W&M Student Health Center with payment of the Student Health Center fee.

(5) There is an option for up to six months of "Continuation coverage" at $259/month for students who have been insured on the College's Student Insurance Plan for at least 90 days but who no longer meet the eligibility requirements, for example: (a) students who are full-time or Research Graduate students in the Fall 2009 semester, check the box for Fall only coverage or "Annual in Installments" coverage (or have their student account billed in two installments), and then become part-time or continuous enrollment students in the Spring 2010 semester, or (b) students who are full-time or Research Graduate students in the Fall 2009 semester, are enrolled in the Fall only coverage, and graduate in January 2010. The application and premium payment for Continuation coverage must be completed directly with the insurance company using a mail-in enrollment form (no online enrollment available) and cannot be billed to the student account, unlike the premium for the regular student policy.

(6) Full-time or Research Graduate students who have enrolled in the "Annual" coverage, the "Annual in Installments" coverage, or the Spring/Summer coverage remain eligible for the College's Student Insurance Plan during the summer even if they graduate in May and/or are not registered during the summer. Full-time or Research Graduate status in the spring semester qualifies students for use of the Student Health Center in the summer, with payment of the summer Student Health Center fees, unless the student graduates in May. Insured students who graduate in May are eligible for pharmacy services but not medical services at the W&M Student Health Center during the summer.

The above information is subject to change; please see the Student Health Center web page at http://www.wm.edu/offices/healthcenter/index.php for updates. If there are questions about the above, please contact the Student Insurance Coordinator, Trista Sikes, at trsike@wm.edu, with a cc to Dean Laurie Sanderson at slsand@wm.edu.

The 2009-2010 Student Health Insurance Rates are as follows:

Basic Coverage
Student -- Annual=$1370, Fall=$631, Spring/Summer=$739
Coverage dates are as follows:
Annual=08/01/2009 - 7/31/2010
Fall=08/01/2009 - 1/15/2010
Spring/Summer=1/16/2010 - 7/31/2010

Continuation Coverage (6 months maximum - available when a student's status changes with the College such as when the student graduates, leaves the College or falls below full-time credits): $259/month

UPCOMING EVENTS

W&M EXCLUSIVE NATO INTERNSHIP: INFORMATION SESSION on Tuesday September 1 at 1:00pm in the Reves Center**.** Learn more about the W&M exclusive internship opportunity at the U.S. Mission to NATO and ask recent interns about their experience! Interested students have until noon on September 8 to apply. For more information visit http://www.wm.edu/offices/career/undergrads/internship/NATO.php

NEW IT SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR STUDENTS. Students, please review the revised IT service level agreement at the web link below. This service level agreement outlines computer support provided to students at William & Mary by the Technology Support Center. Contact: support@wm.edu or visit http://www.wm.edu/it/sla.

Visit the **FALL 2009 CAREER FAIR** on the third floor of the Sadler Center on **Friday, September 18** at 12:00pm to gather information and talk with representatives from a variety of businesses, nonprofit organizations and government agencies. The Fair is open to all majors, all class years. Candidates from other colleges and universities are also welcome. There are no requirements to attend and participate! Please bring copies of your resume and be prepared to talk with representatives from a variety of businesses, non-profit organizations and government agencies. http://www.wm.edu/offices/career/index.php

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER FAIR. The Office of Student Volunteer Services will sponsor the annual Volunteer Fair on **Wednesday, September 9** from 4:00-6:00p.m. in the Sadler Center Lobby. Contact mcporter@wm.edu or 221-7639 for more information.

VIRGINIA SYMPHONY TO HOST FREE CONCERT AT LAKE MATOAKA. September 3, 2009 at 7:30 PM at Lake Matoaka Amphitheatre. The Virginia Symphony will give a free concert at William & Mary's Lake Matoaka Amphitheatre. The concert is one of four free concerts that the Symphony is giving as a prelude to their new season. The event is being co-sponsored by the City of Williamsburg and the College of William & Mary. For additional information, visit the Symphony website at http://www.virginiasymphony.org/Contact/index.html.

DID YOU KNOW THAT? The newsletter for Graduate Students in Arts & Sciences is published each week during the fall and spring semesters. We welcome your submissions. Copy may be edited for length. Submission should be sent to cyroberts@wm.edu.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

See more Funding Opportunities at
http://www.wm.edu/as/graduate/studentresources/fundingsources/index.php

Columbia University Society of Fellows in the Humanities - Postdoctoral Fellowships. The Columbia Society of Fellows in the Humanities, with grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and the William R. Kenan Trust, will appoint a number of post-doctoral fellows in the humanities for the academic year 2010-2011. ELIGIBILITY: Applications are invited from qualified candidates who have received the Ph.D. between 1 January 2006 and 1 July 2010. Fellows are appointed as Lecturers in appropriate departments at Columbia University and as postdoctoral research fellows. The fellowship is renewable for a second and third year. In the first year, Fellows teach one course per semester: at least one of these courses will be in the undergraduate general education program of the University. In years two and three, Fellows teach one course per year. In addition to teaching and research, the duties of Fellows include attendance at the Society's lectures and events as well as active participation in the intellectual life of the Society and of the department with which the Fellow is affiliated. The annual stipend will be $55,000. Each Fellow will also receive a research allowance of $5,000 per annum. **Deadline: OCT 5, 2009.** http://www.columbia.edu/cu/societyoffellows/fellowship.html

HARRY S. TRUMAN LIBRARY INSTITUTE RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM. The Harry S. Truman Library Institute for National and International Affairs is the private, non-profit partner of the Harry S. Truman Library. The Institute's purpose is to foster the Truman Library as a center for research and as a provider of educational and public programs. Applications for funding will be considered by the Institute's Committee on Research, Scholarship and Academic Relations. Grants of up to $2,500 are awarded biannually and are intended to enable graduate students, post-doctoral scholars and other researchers to come to the Harry S. Truman Library for one to three weeks to use its collections. Awards are to offset expenses incurred for this purpose only. Graduate students and post-doctoral scholars are particularly encouraged to apply, but applications from others engaged in advanced research will also be considered. Preference will be given to projects that have application to enduring public policy and foreign policy issues and that have a high probability of being published or publicly disseminated in some other way. The potential contribution of a project to an applicant's development as a scholar will also be considered. An individual may receive no more than two Research Grants in a five year period. **Deadlines: April 1 and October 1.** For application and additional information visit **http://www.trumanlibrary.org/grants/#ress**

American Geological Institute's (AGI) Government Affairs Program Spring Semester Internships in Geoscience Public Policy. Representing the geoscience community in Washington DC, the program actively works with Congress and federal agencies to foster sound public policy in areas that affect geoscientists, including water, energy, and mineral resources; geologic hazards; environmental protection; and federal funding for geoscience research and education. AGI seeks outstanding geoscience students (undergraduates and Masters levels) with a strong interest in federal science policy for a semester-long internship in geoscience and public policy. Interns will gain a first-hand understanding of the legislative process and the operation of executive branch agencies. They will also hone both their writing and Web publishing skills. Specific activities for the interns include:

- Monitoring and analyzing geoscience-related legislation in Congress.
- Updating legislative and policy information on AGI's Web site.
- Attending House and Senate hearings and preparing summaries.
- Responding to information requests from AGI's member societies.
- Attending meetings with policy-level staff members in Congress, federal agencies, and non-governmental organizations such as the National Academy of Sciences.

AGI is planning to accept an intern during the spring semester (January through June timeframe) at a fixed stipend of $5,000. Stipends for the interns are funded jointly by AGI and a generous grant from the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) Foundation. The internship lasts fourteen weeks, and the starting date will be based on the schedule of the successful candidate. Geoscience students with an interest in energy and resource issues are particularly encouraged to apply. **Deadline October 15, 2009**. For application and information visit **http://www.agiweb.org/gap/interns/internse.html**

2009-2010 Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship Program. The Technical Minority Scholarship Program was developed to demonstrate Xerox's commitment to the academic success of minority students and to the cultivation and recruitment of qualified minority employees in technical fields. Scholarships are made available to minorities enrolled in a technical degree program at the bachelor level or above. Applicants must be academic high-achievers (3.0 or better GPA). Applicants must be U.S. citizens or visa-holding Permanent Residents of African American, Asian, Pacific Island, Native American, Native Alaskan, or Hispanic descent. They must be enrolled as a full time undergraduate or graduate student in any of the following technical fields: Chemistry, Information management, Computing and software systems, Material science, Printing management science, Laser optics, Physics, Material science, and Engineering (chemical, computer, electrical, imaging, manufacturing, mechanical, optical, or software). **Deadline September 30, 2009.** For application and information visit **http://www.xerox.com/go/xrx/template/009.jsp?view=Feature&Xcntry=USA&Xlang=en_US&ed_name=Careers_Technical_Scholarship**

Nicholas Metropolis Award for Outstanding Doctoral Thesis Work in Computational Physics. The purpose of the award is to recognize doctoral thesis research of outstanding quality and achievement in computational physics and to encourage effective written and oral presentation of research results. The award consists of $1,500 and a certificate to be presented at an awards ceremony at the Division of Computational Physics annual meeting and an additional allowance of up to $500 to travel to the meeting. The recipient will be invited to present his or her work in an appropriate session of the meeting. Nominations will be accepted for any doctoral student (present or past) in any country for work performed as part of the requirements for a doctoral degree. Nominees must pass their thesis defense not more than 18 months before the nomination deadline. For further information visit http://www.aps.org/programs/honors/dissertation/metropolis.cfm. **Application deadline is November 1, 2009.**

International Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge Some of science's most powerful statements are not made in words. From the diagrams of DaVinci to Rosalind Franklin's x-rays, visualization of research has a long and literally illustrious history. To illustrate is to enlighten. The National Science Foundation (NSF) and *Science* created the International Science & Engineering Visualization Challenge to celebrate that grand tradition--and to encourage its continued growth. The spirit of the competition is for communicating science, engineering and technology for education and journalistic purposes. Judges appointed by the National Science Foundation and the journal *Science* will select winners in each of five categories: photographs, illustrations, informational graphics, interactive media and non-interactive media. The winners will be published in a special section of the journal *Science* and *Science Online* and on the NSF Web site. One of the winning entries will be on the front cover of *Science*. In addition, each winner will receive a free, one-year print and on-line subscription to the journal *Science* and a certificate of appreciation. For further information please visit http://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/scivis/challenge.jsp. **Application deadline is September 15, 2009.**

Gerald R. Ford Foundation Research Travel Grants Program. The Foundation awards grants of up to $2,000 each in support of research in the holdings of the Gerald R. Ford Library. A grant defrays travel, living, and photocopy expenses of a research trip to the Library. Library collections focus on Federal policies, U.S. foreign relations, and national politics in the 1960s and 1970s. Awards are made twice yearly. **Application deadlines (postmark deadlines) are SEPTEMBER 15 and MARCH 15.** For further questions contact grants coordinator ford.library@nara.gov or visit http://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/library/foundationgrants.asp

The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) and the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) have announced the 2009 competition of the International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) program, designed to support distinguished graduate students in the humanities and social sciences who are conducting dissertation research outside the United States. Seventy-five fellowships of approximately $20,000 will be awarded in 2010 with funds provided by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The IDRF program is committed to scholarship that advances knowledge about non-U.S. cultures and societies grounded in empirical and site-specific research (involving fieldwork, research in archival or manuscript collections, or quantitative data collection). The program promotes research that is situated in a specific discipline and geographical region and is engaged with interdisciplinary and cross-regional perspectives. Applicants must have completed all Ph.D. requirements except on-site dissertation research by the time the fellowship begins or by December 2010, whichever comes first. Fellowships will provide support for nine to twelve months of dissertation research. The fellowship must be held for a single continuous period within the eighteen months between July 2010 and December 2011. **Deadline: November 3, 2009**. For more detailed information on application procedures and eligibility requirements, please visit the IDRF website at http://programs.ssrc.org/idrf/.

The Library Company of Philadelphia's Program in Early American Economy and Society invites applications for its three types of fellowship awards to be granted for research and scholarship during 2010-2011. Please visit their website for additional information:
http://www.librarycompany.org/economics/efellowships.htm

- One **dissertation-level fellowship**, carrying a stipend of $20,000, is tenable for nine consecutive months of residency from September 1, 2010 to May 31, 2011. It may also be divided between two scholars, who would each receive $10,000 for the periods between Sept. 1, 2010 to January 15, 2011 or January 15, 2011 to May 31, 2011.
- Available to scholars at all levels, four **one-month fellowships**, carrying stipends of $2,000 each, are tenable for a month of research at the Library Company between June 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011. **Deadline for receipt of one-month and dissertation fellowship applications is March 1, 2010.**

The National Science Foundation (NSF), **Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP).** The GRFP provides three years of support for graduate study leading to research-based master's or doctoral degrees and is intended for students who are at the early stages of their graduate study. The GRFP invests in graduate education for a cadre of diverse individuals who demonstrate their potential to successfully complete graduate degree programs in disciplines relevant to the mission of the NSF. Eligibility: applicants must be U.S. citizens or nationals, or permanent resident aliens of the U.S.; must meet certain degree requirements (see solicitation); must meet certain fields of study criterion (see solicitation). Estimated number of awards: 1,600. Anticipated funding amount: $40,500, per institution, per award, per year.
Deadlines:

- 11/2/09 - Interdisciplinary Fields of Study
- 11/4/09 - Mathematical Sciences and Computer & Information Sciences and Engineering
- 11/5/09 - Social Sciences, Psychology, and Geosciences
- 11/6/09 - Life Sciences
- 11/10/09 - Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy
- 11/12/09 - Engineering

Please visit: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=6201 for additional information.