

Graduate Studies Office
State University of New York College at Cortland
Graduate Diversity Fellowship Application

The Graduate Diversity Fellowship funds graduate-level study for U.S. citizens (or permanent resident aliens) who will contribute to the diversity of the SUNY Cortland campus. Financial assistance from the fellowship program provides students with tuition and stipend support. Yearly awards may vary.

Diversity Fellowships are in the form of financial support and carry no work requirement for the recipient. Fellowships are renewable if funding is available and if the recipient maintains a minimum 3.0 cumulative graduate grade point average. During 2008-2009 fellowships were worth up to \$9,900 for the academic year. Award amounts may vary each year. Typically, awards are announced in late spring for the following academic year (fall-spring). If any funds remain after the academic year awards have been allocated, applications for spring and/or summer fellowships will be considered.

Graduate Diversity Fellowship Application Instructions:

- 1. Apply for admission into a graduate program at SUNY Cortland.**
- 2. Receive a letter of acceptance into a graduate program at SUNY Cortland.**
- 3. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**
- 4. Complete the attached application form for the Graduate Diversity Fellowship.**
- 5. Forward three (3) letters of recommendation to the Graduate Studies Office.**
- 6. Write a 500 word essay describing the disadvantages or impediments you have overcome to succeed in higher education and how you will contribute to the diversity of SUNY Cortland's student body.**
- 7. Send the completed application, your essay, and a copy of your acceptance letter to the Graduate Studies Office.**

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.

Applications received by April 30, 2009 will be given priority for fall 2009/spring 2010 funding. Applications received by April 30, 2009 will also be considered for summer 2009 funding (if available). Applications received by December 1, 2009 will be considered for spring 2010 funding (if available).

Send all fellowship application materials (application, essay, copy of acceptance letter, and three recommendation letters to:

Graduate Studies Office
SUNY Cortland
P.O. Box 2000
Cortland, NY 13045

If you have any questions, contact the Graduate Studies Office at (607) 753-4800 and speak with Dr. Peter McGinnis, Assistant Director of Graduate Studies, or Dr. Joy Mosher, Interim Director of Graduate Studies.

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_____ first name m.i. last name ssn or cortland id#

_____ street address or p.o. box apt. #

_____ city state zip

_____ email address (_____) phone

Ethnicity:

<input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian		Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Female
<input type="checkbox"/> African American				
<input type="checkbox"/> Native American		Are you a U.S. Citizen?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian American/Pacific Islander				
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino American		If not a U.S. Citizen are you a		
<input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican American		Permanent Resident?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Native American				
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		Are you a New York State Resident?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Graduate program (major): _____

Degree sought: MA MS MAT MST MEd CAS

How many credits do you plan on taking each term in order to complete your degree? (9 credits each semester is the recommended amount. Awards are reduced by the tuition difference for enrollment in 6 to 8 credit hours).

Summer 2009 _____ Fall 2009 _____ Spring 2010 _____ Summer 2010 _____

Anticipated graduation date: Dec. 2009 May 2010 Aug. 2010 Dec. 2010 May 2011

Education: Please list all undergraduate and graduate schools you previously attended.

Name of School	Dates of Attendance	Major	Degree Awarded or Total Credits Earned	Date of Degree

The information provided by me is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send this completed application, your essay, a copy of your acceptance letter, and three letters of recommendation to:

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Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Applications received by April 30 will be given first priority for the next academic year. Applications received after this date will be reviewed until all funds have been awarded. If you have questions, please call the Graduate Studies Office at (607) 753-4800.