The IES Pre-doctoral program supports and enhances the interdisciplinary methodological training of pre-doctoral students who are committed to careers in applied, field-based education research.

IES Fellows have access to specialized resources and field experts in addition to receiving financial support towards tuition and stipend.

The academic disciplines represented by current fellows include sociology, economics, psychology, public health, and communications.

We encourage applications from students in any discipline who are interested in rigorous, scientific education research.


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Program Information

Program Goal

Funded by the Institute of Education Science (IES) at the Department of Education, the IES Pre-Doc program in Interdisciplinary Methods for Field-based Education Research at GSE is designed to train pre-doctoral students in employing rigorous impact studies in field settings using the most sophisticated research design and analytical techniques.

Interdisciplinary Training

- Fellows outside the Graduate School of Education are required to enroll in two Education foundation courses
- Fellows from within the Graduate School of Education are required to enroll in two courses in an academic discipline of their choice

Expectations and Benefits

- Fellows participate in weekly lectures and special workshops presented by leading education scholars, practitioners and policy makers
- Fellows network with presenters through individual and small group discussions
- Fellows gain experience conducting rigorous impact studies in education field settings, using the most sophisticated research design and analytical techniques
- Fellows participate year-round in Research Assistantships (20 hrs/wk) conducting field-based education research using the most sophisticated design and analytic techniques
- Fellows receive a $30,000 stipend and up to $10,500 for tuition and fees annually for up to four (4) years
- Fellows receive support to participate in conferences
- Fellows access fellowship and other career opportunities through IES

Eligibility:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Enrolled full-time in a doctoral program at the University of Pennsylvania
- Completed at least one full year of doctoral studies

Deadline for Submission:
April 22, 2013 (postmarked) or April 22, 2013, 11:59pm (by email)

Start Date for Cohort 2013:
September 1st, 2013

Application packet available at:
https://www.gse.upenn.edu/ies/content/application-guidelines

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