

2005 Alpha Omega Alpha Carolyn L. Kuckein STUDENT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The opportunity: Summer term support (a minimum of 8 to 10 weeks) for clinical investigation, basic laboratory research, epidemiology, or social science/health services research. Funds from the fellowship are expected to be the major source of support for the student. **Only one candidate from each school may be nominated.** The name of the fellowship program honors Carolyn L. Kuckein, long-time administrator of A? A and an honorary member of the society, who died in 2004.

The awards: \$4000, one-half paid on announcement of the award, and one-half on acceptance by A? A of a final report of the research. \$500 is provided to the faculty supervisor for some expenses associated with support of the student's project.

Eligibility: First-, second-, and third-year students from schools with active A? A chapters are eligible. Ph.D.s and candidates for Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. are not eligible.

Dates for application:

1. Proposals must be submitted to the councilor before **December 15, 2004**.
2. The final application to the national office must be postmarked no later than **January 15, 2005**.

Application to the councilor:

The councilor and his selection committee will choose the proposal judged to be the most promising and with a high probability of completion during the summer.

1. A three-page summary of the research project written by the applicant in 12-point type with 1-inch margins, as follows: title, hypothesis, rationale, background information, methods and sample size, plan for data analysis, potential significance, and an estimate of the time that the student will devote to the project.

2. The student's curriculum vitae and bibliography, social security number, current address, telephone number, e-mail, school and year of graduation.

3. A letter of support from the faculty supervisor that indicates his or her commitment of time and interest to the project and student.

Councilors are encouraged to keep "runners-up" applications on file in the event that additional funds become available.

Application to the national office:

The proposal selected by the councilor's selection committee must be sent to the national office, and should include, in addition to the items included in the submission to the councilor:

1. A letter of endorsement from the A? A councilor; and
2. A dean's endorsement that should comment upon the student's achievements and potential and the suitability of the faculty sponsor for mentoring.

All supporting letters **MUST** accompany the original submission; incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Mail the original and two copies of the application to: *Research Fellowship Selection Committee*
Alpha Omega Alpha
525 Middlefield Road, Suite 130
Menlo Park, California 94025

The review process: A committee of physician scientists from A? A's board of directors will evaluate each proposal. Additional information or clarification may be requested.

Date of award announcement: No later than March 31, 2005.

Other important information:

1. **Approval of clinical projects by the local medical center institutional review board will be necessary before funding is approved.**

2. No later than December 31, 2005, the student must submit a report of the research to the Menlo Park office, detailing methods, results and discussion. Any publication of the A? A-supported research project should contain the following acknowledgment:
Supported in part by an Alpha Omega Alpha Student Research Fellowship.

More information: Contact Carol Wong at (650) 329-0291 or c.wong@alphaomegaalpha.org. This notice and checklist may be found on www.alphaomegaalpha.org's web site: www.alphaomegaalpha.org. Click on *Awards and Programs*, then on *Student Research Fellowships*.

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Your name:	
Address:	
Social Security Number:	
Telephone:	
E-mail:	
Year of Graduation	
Title of your proposal:	
School:	
Permanent address (your parents', for example):	
Permanent telephone:	

CHECKLIST FOR SUBMISSION TO AWA COUNCILOR (by December 15, 2004):

	Three page summary of research proposal in 12-point type or larger	
	Title	Method and sample size
	Hypothesis	Plan for data analysis
	Rationale	Potential significance
	Background information	Estimate of time student will devote to project
	Your curriculum vitae and bibliography for proposed project	
	Letter of support from faculty supervisor, indicating his or her anticipated degree of involvement and plans for supervision of the research	
	IRB approval for clinical research	

CHECKLIST FOR SUBMISSION TO NATIONAL OFFICE (by January 15, 2005):

	Letter of endorsement from A? A councilor
	Letter of endorsement from the dean, including comments about suitability of faculty advisor

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