Project HOGAR Graduate Student Recruitment Scholarships

Project HOGAR (Hispanic Opportunities for Graduate Access and Retention) is pleased to announce the Fall 2015 Graduate Recruitment Scholarships. These scholarships were made possible by the U.S. Dept. of Education Promoting Postbaccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans program (PPOHA).

Project HOGAR’s measurable institutional outcomes include increasing the number and percent of Hispanic students who enroll in CSULB post-baccalaureate programs and complete their post-baccalaureate programs within a 4-year period.

Towards these outcomes, 20 scholarships of $5000 each will be offered to incoming graduate students in Fall 2015. The scholarships are for one year only and are non-renewable. These scholarships will be coordinated with other Financial Aid that the recipient may have.

Students already enrolled in a CSULB postbaccalaureate program before Fall 2015 are not eligible. Also, students enrolled through Open University are not eligible. Preference will be given to students from backgrounds under-represented and/or under-privileged in graduate education, such as Hispanic and low-income students. Students in financial need should have submitted the FAFSA by March 2. Finally, students must be either a U. S. Citizen or a legal permanent resident.

Each graduate program is invited to nominate up to 2 students for recruitment scholarships. We will give preference to nominations that demonstrate that the scholarships will be used strategically in a way that improves one of the outcomes above: for example, to encourage students who are considering multiple universities, or are undecided about attending graduate school at all, towards enrolling in CSULB, or to help a low-income student to attend full-time, thus shortening their total time to degree.

Review of applications will begin on April 6, 2015 and will continue on a rolling basis.

Send nominations to: Dr. Babette Benken, babette.benken@csulb.edu
HOGAR GRADUATE RECRUITMENT SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATION FORM

Department:

College:

Name, position and contact info for the person preparing this nomination:

(We may contact you with additional questions if necessary.)

Nominated student’s name:

Student ID Number:

Graduate program:

Student’s status: not yet admitted admitted but not committed to attend committed to attend other (explain)

Will the student receive other funding from CSULB for the 2015-2016 academic year?

In no more than 200 words, please address the following:

1. Briefly describe the student’s potential for success at the graduate level, including undergraduate academic accomplishments, experience with research, and other scholarly or creative work.

2. To the best of your knowledge, does the student belong to a group that is underrepresented and/or under-privileged in graduate study? Explain.

[Your college’s associate dean for graduate studies or a similar administrator may be asked to provide verification of nominees’ ethnicity and/or financial status].

3. Explain why awarding a recruitment scholarship to this student is expected to make a difference in your department’s ability to recruit this student and/or graduate him/her within 4 years (please read the note on page 1 about strategic use of recruitment funds.)