



2019 ASHE ANNUAL DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP AWARD & APPLICATION

The American Society of Hispanic Economists (ASHE) is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for the 2019 ASHE Annual Dissertation Fellowship (ADF) Award.

One of the affiliated members of the Allied Social Science Association, ASHE is a professional association of economists who are concerned with the under-representation of Hispanic Americans in the economics profession. Currently, Hispanics represent over 17 percent of the United States' population, but only about 4 percent of full-time Economics faculty in U.S. post-secondary institutions.¹

Our primary goals include:

- Promoting the vitality of Hispanics in the economics profession through education, service, and excellence;
- Promoting rigorous research on economic and policy issues affecting U.S. Hispanic communities and the nation as a whole; and
- Engaging more Hispanic Americans to effectively participate in the economics profession.

The ASHE Annual Dissertation Fellowship (ADF) is designed with these goals in mind by providing one \$1,000 award stipend to help offset expenses for a graduate student who will be working on a dissertation leading to a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Economics or a closely related field in 2019. The award will be made to an individual who, in the judgment of the ASHE ADF Selection Committee, shows promise of future achievement as a scholar and/or teacher, particularly if this achievement is in line with the goals of ASHE. The second place winner will receive a \$100 award to help offset ancillary costs associated with working on the dissertation.

2019 ADF Award Stipend and Benefits

- \$1,000 stipend, to be mailed to the recipient on or before October 18, 2019;
- The option to have an ASHE Board member professionally review an academic paper that the recipient plans to submit for publication within 24 months of the award;
- \$10 donation to ASHE to cover a one-year membership at the Graduate Student Level; and
- A one-year student membership to the American Economic Association.

2019 ADF Second Place Award

- \$100 award, to be mailed to the recipient on or before October 18, 2019;
- The option to have an ASHE Board member professionally review an academic paper that the recipient plans to submit for publication within 24 months of the award; and
- \$10 donation to ASHE to cover a one-year membership at the Graduate Student Level.

Conditions of Fellowships

The recipient of the 2019 ASHE ADF Award must be working on his or her doctoral dissertation/thesis in Economics or a closely related field during 2019. The recipient must agree to

- Update the ASHE Board no later than April 1, 2020 concerning their dissertation progress and anticipated dissertation completion date.
- Explicitly acknowledge the ASHE ADF award in the list of acknowledgements in the final version of his or her doctoral dissertation/thesis.

¹ Respective sources are the U.S. 2016 Census Estimates and the Report by the Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP), AEA Papers and Proceedings 2018, 108: 722–735.

- Agree to allow his or her name to be used in announcements regarding ASHE ADF awards. These conditions are also required of the second-place winner.

Eligibility to apply for the 2019 ASHE ADF is limited to:

- U.S. citizens, legal residents, and individuals with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status who are currently enrolled full-time in a fully accredited institution of higher education, and who will have completed all of the requirements for a Ph.D. degree in Economics (or a closely related field), except for the writing of the doctoral dissertation/thesis, by September 3, 2019;
- Ph.D. students who will be working on a doctoral dissertation in Economics (or a closely related field) that will lead to a career in economics;
- Individuals who expect to complete all of the requirements for their Ph.D. degree no earlier than December 2019 and no later than December 2020;
- Individuals who have not previously earned a doctoral degree at any time, in any field.

Required Materials

- Completed ASHE ADF Application, including a Dissertation Abstract (not to exceed two pages, double-spaced) and a Personal Statement (not to exceed two pages, double-spaced) that describes: (1) the applicant's background, (2) how the ASHE ADF Award will help the applicant, (3) the applicant's career goals in the economics profession (e.g., research agenda and teaching expectations), and (4) where applicable, how these career goals are consistent with the primary goals of ASHE;
- Curriculum Vita;
- One signed letter of reference from a member (preferably the Chair) of the doctoral dissertation/thesis committee (letter should be submitted via email). In addition to discussing why the applicant should be considered for this award, the letter should verify that the applicant will have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. degree by September 3, 2019, except for the writing of the doctoral dissertation/thesis.

Application Deadline

All application materials (completed application, CV, and signed letter of reference) must be submitted electronically to afloresl@maxwell.syr.edu no later than **Friday, September 20, 2019 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time** for full consideration. Please contact this same email address with questions about the application.

The winner should be announced on or before October 18, 2019.

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This completed application, along with a copy of your CV, must be submitted to afloresl@maxwell.syr.edu no later than **Friday, September 20, 2019 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time**.

Please also arrange to have one of your Doctoral Dissertation/Thesis Committee members (preferably the Chair) electronically submit one signed letter of reference to afloresl@maxwell.syr.edu (no later than **Friday, September 20, 2019 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time**) which discusses why you should be considered for this award, and also which verifies that you will have completed all of the requirements for the Ph.D. degree by September 4, 2019, except for the writing of the doctoral dissertation/thesis.

Full Name:	Date:
Mailing Address:	Telephone:
Email Address:	
Ph.D. Institution:	
Department in Ph.D. Institution:	
Expected Graduation Date:	
Title of Ph.D. Dissertation/Thesis:	
Dissertation/Thesis Advisor:	
Contact Information for Advisor:	
Names of Other Dissertation/Thesis Committee Members:	
Masters Degree (if applicable):	Graduation Date:
Masters Degree Institution (if applicable):	
Undergraduate Degree:	Graduation Date:
Undergraduate Institution:	
<i>(For our own records)</i>	
Ethnicity/Race: (If Hispanic, please specify Mexican American, Puerto Rican, etc.)	
Gender:	
How did you learn about this fellowship?	

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Abstract of Dissertation/Thesis (not to exceed two pages, double-spaced)

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Personal Statement

Use the following space to describe: (1) your background, (2) the usefulness of this award for your Ph.D. dissertation/thesis work, (3) your career goals (including your research agenda and teaching expectations), and (4) where applicable, how your career goals are consistent with the primary goals of ASHE (not to exceed two pages, double-spaced).