

CSULA LS★MP BRIDGE TO DOCTORATE

APPLICATION FORM

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- A. NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____
- B. SOCIAL SECURITY #: _____ CSULA CIN: _____
- C. ADDRESS: _____
- D. CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
- E. TELEPHONE: [_____] _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____
- F. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: _____
- G. U.S. CITIZEN: (CIRCLE ONE) YES NO IF NOT, GIVE COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: _____
- H. PERMANENT RESIDENT (GIVE VISA SYMBOL AND NUMBER) OR N/A (NOT APPLICABLE): _____
- I. ETHNICITY: (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)
- AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISPANIC/CHICANO(A)/LATINO(A)
- NATIVE HAWAIIAN/SAMOAN/GUAMANIAN AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE; TRIBE: _____
- ASIAN CAUCASIAN/WHITE OTHER (IDENTIFY): _____
- J. PERSON TO CONTACT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: _____
- K. ADDRESS: _____
- L. CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
- M. RELATIONSHIP: _____ TELEPHONE: [_____] _____ E-MAIL: _____

II. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- A. HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATION, AND YEAR OF GRADUATION: _____
- B. UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY: _____
- MAJOR: _____ DATE OF GRADUATION: _____
- C. OVERALL UNDERGRADUATE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (A = 4.0, B = 3.0, C = 2.0, ETC.): _____
- D. GRADE POINT AVERAGE IN UNDERGRADUATE SCIENCE/ENGINEERING/MATH (SEM) COURSES: _____
- E. NAME OF YOUR CSU-LSAMP CAMPUS COORDINATOR OR OTHER ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION UNDERGRADUATE CAMPUS COORDINATOR: _____

III. GRADUATE SCHOOL & CAREER PLANS

- A. CHECK MAJOR OF PROPOSED CSU, LOS ANGELES MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE: PHYSICS; CHEMISTRY; GEOLOGY;
- ENGINEERING (AREA: _____); COMPUTER SCIENCE MATHEMATICS;
- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE; BIOCHEMISTRY; BIOLOGY; MICROBIOLOGY;
- INTERDISCIPLINARY MS (FIELDS: _____); OTHER: _____
- B. INDICATE WHO YOU HAVE E-MAILED OR CONTACTED IN THIS MAJOR AT CSU, LOS ANGELES: _____

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C. IDENTIFY YOUR HIGHEST PLANNED EDUCATIONAL LEVEL: MS; PHD; POST DOCTORAL; OTHER: _____

D. PROVIDE GRE GENERAL TEST SCORES: VERBAL / %: _____ QUANT / %: _____ ANAL / %: _____

E. HAVE YOU COMPLETED YOUR ON-LINE APPLICATION TO THE CSULA GRADUATE PROGRAM? YES; No

APPLY VIA [HTTP://WWW.CSUMENTOR.COM/ADMISSIONAPP/GRAD_APPLY.ASP](http://www.csumentor.com/admissionapp/grad_apply.asp)

F. MANY DEPARTMENTS REQUIRE THAT YOU ALSO APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT. HAVE YOU APPLIED TO DEPARTMENT? YES; No; N/A

IV. PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

- A. TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL YOUR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY WORK. IF YOU ARE A CAL STATE LA STUDENT, SEND ONLY TRANSCRIPTS FROM WORK AT OTHER COLLEGES. WE WILL OBTAIN YOUR CAL STATE LA TRANSCRIPTS DIRECTLY FROM THE REGISTRAR.
- B. ATTACH OR ARRANGE TO HAVE A COPY OF YOUR GRADUATE RECORD EXAM (GRE) GENERAL TEST SCORES SENT TO H. JONES, CEA-CREST OFFICE. WE USE THE GRE AS AN INDICATOR OF YOUR INTEREST IN PURSUING THE PHD. NO PARTICULAR SCORE IS REQUIRED. GRE SCORE IS REQUIRED BEFORE AN INTERVIEW IS GRANTED.
- C. A CURRENT *CURRICULUM VITAE*/RESUME THAT INCLUDES ANY ACADEMIC (OR OTHER) HONORS RECEIVED.
- D. ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES, PROVIDING A RESPONSE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING. THE PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL USE YOUR RESPONSES TO ASSESS YOUR INTEREST IN PURSUING A RESEARCH CAREER, AND ALSO YOUR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE THROUGH WRITING. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU TYPE YOUR RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
 - PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE IN RESEARCH OR RELATED AREAS.
 - LSAMP-BD IS DESIGNED TO PREPARE STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS IN PHD PROGRAMS. HOW DOES THIS MESH WITH YOUR EDUCATIONAL GOALS?
 - DISCUSS YOUR CAREER PLANS AFTER YOU COMPLETE YOUR FORMAL EDUCATION, PARTICULARLY HOW RESEARCH FITS INTO THESE PLANS.
 - IF THERE IS A DISCREPANCY BETWEEN YOUR GRADES IN ACADEMIC COURSEWORK AND YOUR POTENTIAL, PLEASE EXPLAIN. IT IS EXPECTED THAT YOU WILL COMPLETE THE MS DEGREE AT A 3.5 GPA OR HIGHER.
 - EXPLAIN HOW YOUR SELECTION AS AN LSAMP-BD SCHOLAR WILL ENHANCE MINORITY PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH CAREERS.
- E. IF YOU ARE NOT A US CITIZEN, ATTACH A NOTARIZED COPY (BOTH SIDES) OF YOUR ALIEN REGISTRATION PERMANENT RESIDENT ("GREEN") CARD.
- F. ARRANGE TO HAVE THREE LETTERS OF REFERENCE WRITTEN ON YOUR BEHALF BY SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE OR MATHEMATICS FACULTY MEMBERS. *IF YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN LABORATORY RESEARCH, ONE LETTER SHOULD BE FROM YOUR RESEARCH DIRECTOR.* THE LETTERS SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO YOU IN SEALED ENVELOPES (SIGNED ACROSS THE SEAL) AND INCLUDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION. IF THE FACULTY PREFER, THEY CAN SEND THE LETTERS DIRECTLY TO THE LSAMP PROGRAM OFFICE

REFERENCE NAME	INSTITUTION NAME	PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS

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V. AUTHORIZATION TO USE RECORDS

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE LSAMP PROGRAMS PERSONNEL TO HAVE ACCESS TO MY UNIVERSITY RECORDS FOR PURPOSES OF ADMISSION TO AND CONTINUATION IN THE LSAMP-BD PROGRAM AT CSU, LOS ANGELES. ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENCE. THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) REQUIRES THAT WE PROVIDE STATUS REPORTS ON EACH LSAMP-BD FELLOW IN THEIR PROGRESSION AND ENTRANCE INTO THE PHD PROGRAM. WE ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO TRACK YOUR PROGRESS THROUGH COMPLETION OF THE PHD PROGRAM. STUDENT DATA ARE COLLECTED BY THE CSU-LSAMP STATEWIDE OFFICE AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO PRIOR TO SUBMISSION TO NSF. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ONE OF THE CONDITIONS OF RECEIVING THIS AWARD IS THAT I MUST MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH THE LSAMP COORDINATOR AT CSU, LOS ANGELES (C.ROBLES) AFTER COMPLETION OF MY TWO-YEAR MASTER'S GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM ON A YEARLY BASIS SO AS TO BE ABLE TO KEEP LSAMP APPRISED OF MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS UNTIL AT LEAST MY PHD IS AWARDED. I AUTHORIZE RELEASE AND USE OF THIS INFORMATION, AS DESCRIBED ABOVE, TO THE CSU-LSAMP PROGRAM. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE STATEMENTS ABOVE.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON YOUR APPLICATION UNTIL YOUR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE.

IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE LSAMP-BD RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP, YOU MUST HAVE APPLIED AND BEEN ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSIONS TO THE CSU, LOS ANGELES GRADUATE SCHOOL AND TO THE SPECIFIC DEPARTMENT IN WHICH YOU INTEND TO RECEIVE THE MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE. PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME DEPARTMENTS HAVE VERY SPECIFIC DEADLINES TO RECEIVE YOUR APPLICATION.

TO APPLY, COMPLETE THE ON-LINE APPLICATION FORM AT: [HTTP://WWW.CSUMENTOR.COM/ADMISSIONAPP/GRAD_APPLY.ASP](http://www.csumentor.com/admissionapp/grad_apply.asp)

FOR MORE INFO ON CSULA GRADUATE SCHOOL: [HTTP://WWW.CALSTATELA.EDU/ACADEMIC/AA/GSR/PROSPECTIVE.HTM](http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/aa/gsr/prospective.htm)

FOR MORE INFO ON EACH STEM DEPARTMENT AT CSU, LOS ANGELES, VISIT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES:

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/biol>

CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY: <http://www.calstatela.edu/dept/chem/index.htm>

CIVIL ENGINEERING: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/ecst/civil/>

COMPUTER SCIENCE: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/ecst/cs/>

ELECTRICAL & COMPUTING ENGINEERING: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/ecst/ee/index.htm>

GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES: <http://www.calstatela.edu/dept/geology/index.htm>

MATHEMATICS: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/math/>

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/ecst/me/index.htm>

PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY: <http://www.calstatela.edu/dept/physics/>

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/aa/gsr/shandbook.htm>

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
CEA-CREST – BIOS 140
C/O HILARY JONES
CSU, LOS ANGELES
5151 STATE UNIVERSITY DRIVE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90032-8201

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CALL: 323/343-5799
E-MAIL: HJONES@CSLANET.CALSTATELA.EDU

INITIAL DEADLINE TO APPLY:
JUNE 1, 2008

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(Student: Please type or print your name on line above and give to faculty named on application)
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1. In the table below, give us your assessment of the applicant's achievements and potential by checking the appropriate box for each category:

Category	Outstanding (top 5%)	Excellent (top 10%)	Good (top 20%)	Average (top 50%)	Below Average	No opportunity to observe
Motivation for a research career						
Academic preparation						
Analytical skills						
Probable creativity						
Potential for lab research						
Skills in written communication						
Skills in oral communication						
Perseverance to attain goals						

2. In the space provided below *(or on back of this page or separate letterhead, if you prefer)* please comment on the candidate's potential for success in a research career in the sciences, engineering or mathematics.

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