Fall 2020-Summer 2021
Catherine and Richard Becker
Graduate Research Fellowship

Overview
Two Graduate Research Fellowships will be awarded to master’s students for the academic year 2020-2021. The Fellowship enables a more inclusive graduate academic experience - incorporating learning, teaching and research - by providing more opportunities for Environmental Science and Policy (ESP) graduate students to serve as Graduate Research Assistants (GRAs).

The Fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis. Applicants must submit all materials via email to Stephanie Lister in the ESP Graduate Program Office at slister1@gmu.edu by 5 pm, Monday, March 2, 2020 (see Application Process).

Eligibility Criteria
- Applicants must be enrolled in the Environmental Science and Policy Master’s program (Previous Becker’s fellows are not eligible to apply)
- Previous experience as a GTA or equivalent
- Must have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must have an advisor and proposed research summary (approved thesis proposal preferred and added as an attachment if it has been approved)

Application Process
Students must submit the following materials by 5 pm, Monday, March 2, 2020
- Application letter: The letter includes a statement of interest, plan for the Fellowship, to include teaching experience and an explanation of financial need (max 2 pages single spaced)
- Title + summary of the proposed research (max 1-page single spaced)
- CV (max 2 pages)
- Letter of Recommendation by advisor must be submitted directly to the ESP Graduate Program Office at slister1@gmu.edu

Submission
Applicants must submit all materials via email to Stephanie Lister in the ESP Graduate Program Office at slister1@gmu.edu by 5 pm, Monday, March 2, 2020.

Award
- $24,000 stipend annually (20 hours/week $18,000 Academic Year, $6000 Summer term)
- Tuition waiver: 12 credits of in-state credits: 6 credits in Fall, 6 credits in Spring

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