The Institute for Policy & Social Research is pleased to announce the IPSR Doctoral Research Fellows Program for the 2017-18 Academic Year. The program helps develop the next generation of KU interdisciplinary social science scholars by providing graduate students with training and support in interdisciplinary social science research and by creating a community of graduate students across the social sciences to support each other at KU and in the future.

Program Overview: Fellows will meet approximately twice each month throughout the academic year to share research progress, gain knowledge of interdisciplinary social science research methods, skills, and analysis, and share experiences and knowledge. Regular attendance is expected, as active participation will strengthen the program.

Program Eligibility:
- KU Ph.D. student in a social science discipline or actively engaged in research with a social science perspective
- Engaged in research with an IPSR Faculty Affiliate
- Interested in interdisciplinary research
- Applying with support from graduate advisor

Selection: A group of current Doctoral Research Fellows along with the IPSR Director and Assistant Director, will review materials and select a cohort of 6 to 8 doctoral students for 2017-18.

Faculty Sponsor: Steven Maynard-Moody, Director of IPSR and Professor, School of Public Affairs & Administration, is the faculty sponsor.

Support: IPSR Doctoral Research Fellows will have available to them the resources of IPSR for proposal and project planning, development, and research. Fellows may apply for up to $500 to support research expenses or travel associated with their research.

Application Procedures:
Interested and eligible students must submit application materials by noon, Thursday, May 4, 2017. Required application materials are:
- Completed Online Cover Sheet
- CV (2-page limit)
- Statement of Interest (500 word limit)
  Tell us about your research interests, discussing interests in the context of interdisciplinary research. Please include an overview of your interdisciplinary research experience/exposure and why interdisciplinary research is important to you. How will your research be different or improved through participation in the program? What unique perspective will you bring to the experience? (500 words maximum)

The Online Cover Sheet is available on the IPSR Doctoral Research Fellows site: [http://ipsr.ku.edu/about/gradfellows/](http://ipsr.ku.edu/about/gradfellows/)
The CV and Statement of Interest should be emailed to IPSR Fellows ([ipsrfellows@ku.edu](mailto:ipsrfellows@ku.edu)) by the deadline.

In addition to materials provided by the student, the endorsement of the student’s Advisor is required. If the Advisor is not an IPSR Faculty Affiliate, then a IPSR affiliated faculty member must also endorse the student’s participation.

After receiving the completed application materials from the student, IPSR will request a Letter of Endorsement from the student’s Advisor. If the Advisor is not an IPSR Faculty Affiliate, the endorsement of a supporting IPSR affiliated faculty member will also be requested. For a list of IPSR affiliated faculty, visit: [http://ipsr.ku.edu/stafffil/](http://ipsr.ku.edu/stafffil/)

For an application to be considered complete and ready for review, the online cover sheet, CV, Statement of Interest, Advisor Letter and Faculty Affiliate Letter (if applicable) must be received.

Additional Information: Contact Travis Weller, Assistant Director, IPSR, [weller@ku.edu](mailto:weller@ku.edu), or visit the IPSR Doctoral Research Fellows site: [http://ipsr.ku.edu/about/gradfellows/](http://ipsr.ku.edu/about/gradfellows/)