

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA

Graduate Studies & Research

INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Graduate Program Committee Chairpersons

DATE: January 9, 2009

SUBJECT: Competitive Graduate Fellowships

For the last several years we have offered fellowships of \$1,000 which could be used to recruit outstanding prospects for UNO graduate programs. This year funds are available to renew four of the eight awards and grant four new awards. Hopefully, these fellowships will help make us more competitive in the national market.

**The fellowships will be awarded competitively and will be available only during the national recruiting period of March 15 to April 15.** It is anticipated that most of these fellowships will be offered to supplement the offer of a graduate assistantship; however, there may be an eligible outstanding prospect that could come to UNO without an assistantship. Local candidates are eligible, but they must be competitive with other applicants being considered for the fellowships, and the departments/schools must follow the national guidelines by issuing offers no sooner than March 15 with a closing date of April 15.

If you have an applicant whom you would like to have considered for one of these fellowships (renewable for a second year, subject to satisfactory performance), please submit information about their qualifications with a nomination to the Office of Graduate Studies(EAB 203) no later than **Monday, February 23, 2009**. You will be notified of the names of recipients in time to include the fellowship with your March 15 offers.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Nicole Kersten via email at [nkersten@mail.unomaha.edu](mailto:nkersten@mail.unomaha.edu).