COMING SOON: APPLICATIONS FOR 2011 BIO-X FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2011

The Bio-X Leadership Council is pleased to announce the eighth annual competition for Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowships. The fellowships are the generous gift of an anonymous donor who is helping Stanford strengthen graduate training in interdisciplinary biosciences, thereby spurring important new advances in science and engineering.

Seven Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowships and six Bio-X Stanford Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowships (SIGFs) in Human Health will be awarded that will provide funding for three years to begin Fall Quarter 2011/2012. For the Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowships, Bio-X funding is to be utilized toward payments for graduate tuition, stipend, and health. Eligible graduate students must be 1) working in the lab of a Bio-X affiliated faculty member, 2) starting their second or third year of a Ph.D. program (unless the student is enrolled in a program that requires a master’s degree, in which case they may enroll in their first year of a Ph.D. program) on September 26, 2011. The Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowship may not be combined with any other full fellowship awards. Students who will be supported by other full fellowship sources, such as NSF, NIH, SGF, during the 2011/2012 academic year are not eligible to apply. The start date of an awarded fellowship can be postponed for a maximum of six months (which is equivalent to two quarters). For information about the Stanford Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowship eligibility, award terms and policies, please see http://sigf.stanford.edu.

The Bio-X Leadership Council will evaluate the applications and awardees will be announced on May 25, 2011. Applications will be considered for both the Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowships and the Stanford Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowships, and the Bio-X Leadership Council will determine which students will receive each award. For both fellowships, preference will be given to projects that are interdisciplinary in nature, bringing together biology with physics, chemistry, engineering, computer science, or other fields. Preference will also be given to students who are jointly mentored by faculty members who are expert in distinct areas of science and technology. For a complete list of faculty now affiliated with Bio-X, consult http://biox.stanford.edu/faculty/faculty_affiliates_intro.html. (All Stanford faculty members are eligible to become affiliated with Bio-X and should contact Carla Shatz at cshatz@stanford.edu to be added to the group.) See http://www.stanford.edu/group/biox/grant/fellowships.html for a description of the research pursued by other Bio-X Graduate Student Fellows.

Applications must be received, not postmarked by, March 31, 2011 at 5:00pm. Required with the application: 1) a research plan (with title) including all references and figures no longer than four pages and a CV no longer than two pages; 2) two letters of recommendation from Stanford faculty members; 3) transcripts from all institutions attended; 4) description of present forms of tuition or stipend funding; 5) curriculum vitae; and 6) a 100 word abstract of the research description. The application may be found at: http://biox.stanford.edu/grant/grad2011.html beginning February 1, 2011.

Applications should be submitted online. Letters of recommendation should be sent directly from faculty to <bio-x_fellowship_applications@stanford.edu>.

Other application materials that cannot be submitted electronically may be mailed or delivered to:

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Awardees will be expected to provide brief annual reports of their progress, to participate in scientific events with other Bio-X Fellows, and to meet with donors who support the program.