

**Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs (HECUA) and the  
Otto Bremer Foundation** announce the

## **Graduate Fellowship on Philanthropy and Human Rights 2007-2008**

Deadline: December 4th, 2006

### **Program**

The Graduate Fellowship on Philanthropy and Human Rights offers three paid fellowships to graduate students of color studying or who will be studying in Minnesota. The Graduate Fellowship connects an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural community of professionals and students committed to human rights while they conduct independent research related to the Otto Bremer Foundation's funding priorities. The Scholars' research involves collaboration with local nonprofit organizations and local communities while integrating fellowship research with academic objectives. Scholars will be awarded a **\$13,500** stipend or scholarship.

### **Purpose**

The Graduate Fellowship on Philanthropy and Human Rights seeks to advance human rights through the nonprofit sector as well as provide graduate students learning experience in the field of philanthropy. The intent of the Graduate Fellowship program is to increase scholarly research of the Otto Bremer Foundation's funding priorities and to increase representation of students of color who can offer such expertise.

### **Student Eligibility**

The Graduate Fellowship is available to graduate students of color who are historically underrepresented in higher education and who are studying or will be studying in Minnesota. The Graduate Fellowship is open to students in all academic disciplines. Preference will be given to students planning to remain in the United States and who are active participants and leaders in their communities.

### **Selection Criteria**

Three paid graduate fellowships will be awarded to applicants who:

- Demonstrate critical thinking, analytical, and writing skills.
- Provide a definition and commitment to human rights and social justice.
- Have life, career, or academic experiences that illustrate potential in human rights, social justice, and nonprofit work that fulfill the objectives of the fellowship.
- Clearly express their reason for interest in the program.
- Demonstrate academic merit.
- Supply evidence of support from home academic institution.
- Would be able to commit ten hours per week at the Otto Bremer office.

Please email Charissa Blue if you have any questions: [fellowship@hecua.org](mailto:fellowship@hecua.org)

## **Application Process**

1. Interested students should apply directly to HECUA.
  - To download the application please visit our website:  
[www.hecua.org/grad\\_level.html](http://www.hecua.org/grad_level.html)
  - Reference the “Application Checklist” (under “Download Graduate Fellowship Application” link) for the complete guide to applying.
  - Applications may be submitted via mail, e-mail, or hand-delivery to the Graduate Fellowship Coordinator (contact information below). Faxes will **not** be accepted.
2. A selection committee will review applications based on selection criteria.
3. Chosen semi-finalists will be notified and asked to participate in individual interviews at the Otto Bremer Foundation.

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2007-2008**

December 4th, 2006: Applications due in HECUA office

Mid-January, 2007: Notification of Graduate Fellowships for 2007-2008

### **Direct Applications and Questions to:**

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