

Call for Applications: Dickinson Fellowship

We are pleased to announce a Fellowship opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students.

The Living Well Initiative will sponsor 8 fellows in the 2022-2023 academic year to receive training related to severe and persistent mental illness. The Dickinson Fellowship brings together undergraduate and graduate students from nursing, psychology, and seminary to examine the impact of mental health conditions on individuals, families, and communities and to move toward a shared understanding of how we can best support those who have severe and persistent mental illness. We provide tuition reimbursement for this training. The award amounts for the 2022-2023 academic year cover tuition, fees and related educational expenses up to the amounts listed below:

- Undergraduate students with nursing or psychology majors: \$5000 each
- Graduate students in marriage and family therapy, clinical psychology, nursing or seminary: \$8000 each

Training includes attendance at seminars every other week, where we discuss books, podcasts, and current events and engage with guest speakers. Fellows are also involved in outreach at community centers and on campus. The Dickinson Fellowship has been in operation now for more than ten years and has enriched the lives of multiple students and the community members they have touched.

The application deadline this year is **March 28, 2022**. *It is the responsibility of the applicant to inform those providing recommendations of this due date.*

Please submit all application materials via email to Brenda Baker at bakerb5@spu.edu

You can read more about the application requirements below. For additional information, you may contact Paul Kim (paulkim@spu.edu).

**Living Well Initiative
Dickinson Fellowship Application
for the 2022-2023 Academic Year**

Important: Before submitting your application materials, please read over this information carefully.

Purpose: The purpose of this fellowship is to provide training and funds for tuition and related educational expenses to undergraduate and graduate students in the School of Psychology, Family and Community, the Seattle Pacific Seminary, and the School of Health Sciences. The training is for students who will work with persons and their families who are impacted by severe and persistent mental health conditions.

Award: This is a one time award. The award amounts for the 2022-2023 academic year cover tuition, fees and related educational expenses up to \$8000 (graduate) or \$5000 (undergraduate).

Application Deadline for 2022-2023 Award: March 28, 2022. Please submit all application materials via email to Brenda Baker at bakerb5@spu.edu

Eligibility Criteria: Overall GPA must be 3.0 or higher

Student Status as Noted Below:

- Doctoral Students in Clinical Psychology who will have completed the 1st year by autumn of the award year (44 credits, including course CPY 7220). Doctoral students who will be applying to their doctoral internships during the 2021-2022 year (and therefore, on internship during the fellowship year) are not eligible for the award.
- Master Students in Marriage and Family Therapy Program who will have completed 30 credits by autumn of the award year, or who are in the 2nd or 3rd year of their program and who have completed the course MFT 6600 Psychopathology and Family Therapy.
- Masters of Science in Nursing Program students who will have completed the 1st year of their individual curriculum plan by the start of the award year.
- Bachelors Students in Nursing or Psychology must be at least junior standing in Nursing or sophomore in Psychology to apply.
- Doctor of Nursing Practice students who will have completed the 1st year of their individual curriculum plan by the start of the award year.
- Seattle Pacific Seminary student who will have completed at least 1 year in their program prior to the start of the Fellowship.

Required Application Materials

1. A completed application form
2. 1-page resume or CV
3. Transcript (unofficial copy is fine)
4. One letter of reference from a faculty member (submitted directly by the letter writer; emailed letter is fine)
5. Program standing verification form

All materials should be emailed to Brenda Baker at bakerb5@spu.edu

Fellowship Program Requirements If Accepted

- All award recipients will be required to attend seminars which occur twice monthly on **Friday from 11am-12:15pm** that focus on directed readings, field work or projects (e.g., presentations at churches and community agencies, research projects). These learning experiences will involve up to an additional 10-12 hours per quarter beyond other educational meeting attendance. Students who commute long distances to the SPU campus will not be excused from this requirement. **Students must be prepared to arrange their schedule such that they are able to attend fellowship meetings. Students will not be allowed to attend other events at these times.** Failure to comply with attendance requirements may result in loss of the fellowship.
- Attendance at Living Well designated student club meetings (on and off campus) and church and/or community outreach are required. Undergraduate students will run the SPU club.
- Involvement in research activities may also be required throughout the academic year, depending upon what projects are in process.
- A 3.0 GPA must be maintained. This program runs throughout the academic year (autumn, winter, spring quarters with summer activities as needed). All graduate students must be registered for a minimum of 3 credits/quarter. Undergraduate students must be registered for at least 12 credits/quarter. At the beginning of each quarter, fellows will be required to provide documentation of their current GPAs and credit load status.
- Professionalism, both within the fellowship seminars and with partnering agencies, is expected. Late attendance, absences due to planned vacations, communication issues with faculty scholars or partnering agencies may be grounds for dismissal from the fellowship.
- If awarded a fellowship, you will receive notification and may be required to attend a meeting in the spring quarter prior to the fellowship year to determine scheduling of fellowship meetings during the next academic year.
- Students are required to write brief reflection papers about their experiences throughout each quarter as well as end-of-year evaluations and donor letters. They submit these

documents via Canvas. Students who do not complete these assignments may be in danger of losing the fellowship.

- **Masters of Science in Nursing and Doctor of Nursing Practice Awardees** may take MFT 6600 Psychopathology and Family Therapy offered during the winter quarter. This can constitute an elective. You can also take this course on an audit basis with permission from the instructor. The fellowship will cover the cost of this course for the nursing student.

For additional information please contact the Faculty Scholar listed below:

Paul Youngbin Kim, Ph.D.
Professor
Department of Psychology
paulkim@spu.edu

Dickinson Fellowship Application Form

Directions: Please answer all questions.

1. Name: _____
2. Phone: _____
3. SPU email address: _____
4. Program (Check ONE)
 - BA in Psychology
 - BS in Psychology
 - BS in Nursing
 - MS in Nursing
 - DNP
 - MFT
 - MFT + Theology
 - Seminary
 - CPY
 - Other _____
5. Expected number of credits completed by the end of this current academic year: _____
6. Current year in program: _____
7. All applicants must complete a typed 500-1000 word essay. The essay must describe your background and your understanding of your future work with persons impacted by mental illness. Include any experiences you have working with persons who are chronically mentally ill or any related activities you have had. State at least two vocational goals for working with persons impacted by chronic mental illness.

Insert typed essay here:
8. For graduate students only: List your research interests and/or research projects.

Insert list here:

Acknowledgement of Responsibility
Dickinson Fellowship 2022-2023

As part of my commitment to my Dickinson Fellowship award, I commit to completing all assignments, reports, and end of the year letter to the Dickinson family by the dates stipulated in the Seminar Outline. I commit to attend all scheduled fellowship meetings, **including the seminar that meets every other Friday from 11am-12:15pm.** **I acknowledge that failure to fulfill these requirements will result in the loss of my preceding quarter disbursement and may result in discontinuance in the fellowship.**

In lieu of your signature, please type your full name and date:

Recommendation Letter Form

For completion by applicant:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Program: _____ Year of Study: _____

Check this box if you choose to waive your right to access to this form once completed by the faculty member.

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For completion by a faculty member

Recommendation Letter
(For completion by a faculty member)

Note: The above named student wishes to be considered as an applicant for the receipt of the Dickinson Scholarship. Your candid responses attesting to the student's qualifications are requested. An applicant whose file does not include a recommendation letter from faculty cannot be considered for the award. Seattle Pacific University abides by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, which allows students access to their academic files, which may include this letter.

Please submit your letter of recommendation. Be sure to comment on the above applicant's likelihood to succeed in working with persons with chronic mentally health conditions and their families, their potential for involvement in mental health advocacy work, their ability to express oneself orally and in writing, their ability to work collaboratively as well as independently, and their ability to manage time commitments.

**STANDING VERIFICATION FORM
DICKINSON FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

For completion by applicant:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Program: _____ Year of Study: _____

Check this box if you choose to waive your right to access to this form once completed by the advisor, associate dean, chair or director of your program.

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For completion by any of the following: Program Coordinator, Faculty Advisor, Associate Dean, Chair, or Program Director

Name: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____ Signature: _____

Program: _____ Phone: _____

Note to Program Coordinator, Faculty Advisor, Associate Dean, Chair, or Program Director: The above named student wishes to be considered as an applicant for the receipt of the Dickinson Scholarship. Your accurate responses to those questions listed below are requested. An applicant whose file does not include this form cannot be considered for the award. Seattle Pacific University abides by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, which allows students access to their academic files, which may include this form.

1. How long has the applicant been a student in the program? _____

2. Is the applicant currently in good standing with program? Yes No. If no, please explain briefly: _____

3. Has the applicant been placed upon probation at any point during their enrollment in the program? Yes No. If yes, please explain briefly: _____