

MEMORANDUM

TO: SSU Faculty, Staff, and Students

DATE: December 20, 2023

SUBJECT: The California Pre-Doctoral Program (Sally Casanova Scholarship)

The California Pre-Doctoral Program is designed to increase the diversity of future CSU faculty by supporting the doctoral aspirations of CSU students who have experienced economic and educational disadvantages. Recipients of this prestigious award will be designated as Sally Casanova Scholars, as a tribute to Dr. Sally Casanova, for whom the award is named. Sally Casanova Scholars will work closely with a CSU faculty to develop an overall plan which prepares the student for enrollment in a doctoral program. The plan should be tailored to the specific goals and career objectives of the student.

Sally Casanova Scholars receive a \$5,000 stipend that allows them to explore and prepare to succeed in doctoral programs in their chosen field of study. Additionally, Scholars also have the opportunity to apply for a fully-funded summer research program that includes an additional \$4,000 to \$5,000 stipend.

Eligibility

- All CSU students are eligible to apply. Applicants to the California Pre-Doctoral Program must be matriculated upper-division or master's degree students who are enrolled at a CSU campus for at least the fall semester (or quarter term) of the 2024-25 academic year. Each applicant must have a faculty mentor from the student's home campus who will be available for the duration of the plan specified in the application.

How to Apply

Interested applicants are strongly recommended to contact their campus California Pre-Doctoral Program campus coordinator for guidance. Contact Dr. Daniel Malpica at daniel.malpica@sonoma.edu

Informational session will take place on January 29 from 12-1pm in Salazar # 1049.

Important Deadlines

- Deadline: February 16, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Applications are submitted via the Chancellor's Office online site application portal.

For more information about the California Pre-Doctoral Program see the following link: <https://www.calstate.edu/csu-system/faculty-staff/predoc>