SOARING INTO THE FUTURE:
SEEKING NEW HORIZONS IN AGING AND PHILANTHROPY

In the next two decades, our older population will expand rapidly and will differ radically from previous generations. As more economic and human resources flow toward needs of an aging society, philanthropy must expand its vision. Funders in aging are already supporting innovative models of health care, caregiving, housing, transportation, lifelong learning, and community development that make sense for this aging population. But there’s so much more to be done to help shape an older America.

GIA acknowledges the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education and Gerontological Society of America for their assistance in the nomination process.

COMMENTS ON THE GIA FELLOWS PROGRAM

“Being a GIA Fellow demystified the world of philanthropy, allowing me to truly connect with leaders who have deep professional and personal interest in improving the lives of older Americans. Through this experience, I gained a better understanding of the vital role the independent sector plays as a driver for societal progress.”

Gretchen E. Alkema, PhD
Vice President, Policy and Communications
The SCAN Foundation

“The Fellows Program offers an opportunity for our future local leaders to learn through close contact with leading funders in aging. They can develop knowledge and skills that will serve us well tomorrow.”

Robert E. Eckardt, DrPH
Executive Vice President
The Cleveland Foundation

“The GIA Fellows are a dynamic part of our Annual Conference. Fellows can broaden their professional network and improve their career trajectory. Funders benefit from their energy, enthusiasm, and cutting-edge research of current issues in the field.”

John Feather, PhD
Chief Executive Officer
Grantmakers In Aging

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS GIA FELLOWS PROGRAM

IN CONJUNCTION WITH GRANTMAKERS IN AGING ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 28-30
WASHINGTON, D.C.

2015
Grantmakers In Aging (GIA), the only international professional organization of grantmakers active in the field, is dedicated to promoting and strengthening grantmaking for an aging society. GIA’s membership includes leading staff and trustees from all sizes and types of foundations involved directly or indirectly with philanthropy and aging.

GIA raises awareness of issues associated with aging and the longevity revolution by offering programs and services to its members.

Since 1999, GIA has sponsored a Fellows Program to recognize outstanding graduate (master’s and doctoral degree) and postdoctoral students whose interests and work benefit the field of aging. Each year Fellows are selected from the geographic area in which the conference is held. This year, up to eight Fellows will be selected from academic institutions within the greater Washington, D.C., region. Fellows receive a stipend covering conference participation (fees, meals, materials, lodging, and travel reimbursement).

FELLOWS PROGRAM

By attending the GIA Annual Conference, Fellows have the opportunity to:

1. **Submit a one-two page workshop summary for the conference proceedings, available as an online resource. Fellows are acknowledged in the material for their contribution.**

2. **Share their professional expertise by making a brief presentation about their research work during roundtable discussions. Fellows adequately advanced in their research may be asked to share their research with conference attendees by making a formal presentation during the conference.**

3. **Expand their professional network to include representatives from leading foundations that fund aging-related projects.**

4. **Build knowledge and enhance skills in the field of aging.**

5. **Meet peers from local academic institutions.**

NOMINATIONS

Students are nominated by a faculty or staff member. Eligible students must be enrolled in a graduate or postdoctoral program and may come from a variety of disciplines including, but not limited to, gerontology, law, architecture, public health, sociology, demography, geriatrics, nursing, physical or occupational therapy, exercise physiology, social work and public administration.

Nominations in the form of a one or two page letter must contain the following information:

1. Nominee’s complete name, title, address, telephone, and email address
2. Nominee’s program, area of specialization, and expected date of program completion
3. A statement of support for the nominated student
4. Nominator’s complete name, title, address, telephone, and email address
5. Attach Nominee’s Curriculum Vitae
6. Request Nominee to prepare a one page letter of intent describing their current career focus, the topic on which they would address at the conference if invited, and their current career plan or outlook

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: July 10, 2015
Students will be notified in August

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