



Compton Foundation Mentor Fellowship 2010 Application

I. Candidate Background *(Please attach additional sheets as needed)*

Candidate: _____

Academic Institution: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (daytime) _____ (evening) _____

Email: _____

Degree at Graduation and Area of Specialization: _____

II. Mentor Fellowship Plan

- Provide a detailed description of your plans for the Compton Mentor Fellowship, including project scope, goals, objectives, action plan, estimated timeline and budget *(See the budget worksheet below and your Campus Liaison for additional proposal and budget samples.)*
- Provide your proposed Mentor's name, affiliation and contact information
- Describe why you have identified this person as a primary Mentor
- Attach a copy of the Mentor's curriculum vitae or résumé
- Attach a letter from the proposed Mentor indicating a willingness to serve, and the degree and type of involvement he or she will provide *(See the sample Mentor agreement below and your Campus Liaison for additional samples.)*

III. Candidate Essay

- Describe your previous leadership and community service experiences
- Describe the personal and professional values, principles, and experiences that have inspired you to create the Compton Mentor Fellowship plan you envision
- Explain what you hope to achieve over the course of the Compton Mentor Fellowship year
- Evaluate the ways in which you anticipate the Compton Mentor Fellowship will contribute to shaping your early career

IV. Candidate References

- Provide two letters of reference (*at least one that can comment on your activities beyond academic pursuits*)

V. Sample Budget Worksheet

Each Fellowship will have individual budget requirements. This worksheet is offered only as a guide as you determine expenses. See your Campus Liaison for additional budget samples.

1. *Living expenses*

- Housing
- Food
- Communications (*phone, fax, internet*)
- Local transportation
- Insurance
- Student loan payment
- Other (specify)

2. *Mentor Honorarium (\$5,000)*

3. *Travel (should include \$1,000 to cover airfare to San Francisco for the 2010 Compton Mentor Fellowship orientation and 2011 retreat)*

- Lodging
- Airfare
- Ground transportation
- Visas (*if traveling internationally*)

4. *Research*

- Conference registration
- Books, journals, etc.

5. *Equipment, materials and supplies*

6. *Other*

- Taxes (*Fellowships are considered taxable income. See your Campus Liaison for additional information regarding tax liabilities and eligible project expenses.*)

VI. Sample Mentor/Fellow Agreement

The following is provided as a guideline. Any signed document that outlines the roles and responsibilities with your mentor will be accepted.

The following roles and responsibilities define the partnership between a Compton Mentor Fellow and Mentor. This agreement represents a commitment to work together with respect, candor, creativity and support.

Roles and Responsibilities of the Compton Fellow

- Describe your goals and specific requests to the Mentor, and take initiative in seeking guidance, advice, and resources
- Keep the Mentor apprised of career development, plans, and activities
- Send copies of your mid-year and final reports to your Mentor
- Attend annual Compton Mentor Fellowship meetings
- Make every effort to follow through on commitments to your Mentor
- Participate fully in the Compton Mentor Fellowship program

Roles and Responsibilities of the Compton Mentor

- Provide insight and guidance to the Fellow
- Share resources, contacts, and other opportunities to help the Fellow achieve goals
- Review and respond to the Fellow's mid-year and final reports
- Make every effort to follow through on commitments to the Fellow

We agree to communicate regularly, at least:

___ Weekly ___ Bi-weekly ___ Monthly ___ Other

We have reviewed the information provided about the Compton Mentor Fellowship, and are ready to chart our course and begin our new partnership. We enter this agreement in good faith, with full understanding of our roles and responsibilities for participation in the Compton Mentor Fellowship 2009.

Signed:

Compton Mentor Fellow

Date

Mentor

Date

VII. Application Checklist

The Compton Mentor Fellowship application should include the following components:

1. Candidate Information

- a. Background information
- b. Mentor Fellowship Project Plan, including budget
- c. Candidate essays
- d. Two letters of recommendation (*at least one that will comment on your activities beyond academic pursuits*)

2. Mentor Information

- a. Mentor contact and affiliation information
- b. Background information and rationale for your choice
- c. Curriculum vitae or résumé of proposed mentor
- d. Letter of willingness to serve as a Mentor during the Fellowship year

3. Budget (*Total of \$36,000, with \$1,000 allocated for Fellowship program travel and \$5,000 allocated for Mentor honorarium*)

- a. Stipend for living expenses
- b. Mentor honorarium (\$5,000), negotiated by applicant
- c. Travel and research expenses
- d. Equipment, materials and supplies
- e. Other related expenses