**Summer Research Fellowships (2019-2020)**

**Description:** This is a one-time initiative (2019-2020) for graduate students in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese to promote research and to address current inequalities in academic stipends. Ten awardees will receive two thousand dollars ($2,000) to support a summer research project.

**Eligibility:**
- The Summer Research Fellowship would be reserved for returning PhD students (including students admitted directly to PhD in 2018-2019) who have a clearly identified summer research program.
- Given that these awards are intended to help address the gap in AIs’ stipends, preference will be given to students who have not received additional Department funding in the form of Department fellowships, GRAs or Title VI FLAS, Summer Teaching in the Department or the new Summer Program, or other IUB summer programs during the period of the award. Preference will be given based on academic merit of the proposal.
- Timely progress toward degree will be a deciding factor. PhD students who are in good academic standing and in their second year of course work at the time of applying will be given priority.

**Applications:**
- Students must provide a 500-word abstract with a title, description of the project, and goals. In the case of a linguistic project, the abstract will include relevant information about corpora, methods, hypotheses, and expected outcomes.
- Application paperwork should be submitted as a single PDF to Ben Reed at gradhisp@indiana.edu
- **Deadline of application:** April 10, 2020.

**Assessment:**
The Grad Grants committee will assess proposals based on promise, feasibility, and the eligibility criteria explained above. The proposals will then be ranked based on:
- (1) The value of their contribution to the field;
- (2) The feasibility of their completion during the summer;
- (3) Contribution to the student’s professional development

**Final report of progress:**
Students should provide a 500-word progress report to Ben Reed by August 15, 2020.