



**INDIANA UNIVERSITY**  
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**Indiana University Credit Union Dissertation Fellowship**

**Purpose:** The Indiana University Credit Union Dissertation Fellowship was established by a generous donation from the Indiana University Credit Union and the University Graduate School to support an advance doctoral student in her or his final year. The purpose of the fellowships is to provide financial assistance that will allow the doctoral candidate to complete their dissertation expeditiously by reducing the burden to seek additional employment.

**Eligibility Criteria:** The student must be an advanced full-time doctoral candidate who has achieved candidacy, in the dissertation phase of his or her career, be in good academic standing, and demonstrate financial need. Recipients of the award must be a member of the IU Credit Union.

**Nomination Process:** Eligible students must be nominated by their department. Self-nominations are not allowed. Departments who submit more than one nomination must rank them.

**Award Value:** This is a single-year award valued at **\$20,000**, in addition to student health insurance.

**Note:** The award must be used for the year it is awarded. A recipient cannot place this award into a "reserve status" because of receiving another award.

**Application:** A complete application consists of:

- The application cover page
- Dissertation abstract (limit of 350 words)
- A statement by the nominee addressing all questions from the questionnaire; not to exceed two single-spaced pages.
- Two letters of support, one from the nominee's dissertation advisor and another from the Director of Graduate Studies of the nominee's degree program. These letters should verify that the student is within their final dissertation year and address the degree of financial need of the student.

**Nomination Deadline:**

**Student Deadline:** You must submit your application material to your department by **Thursday, March 18, 2010**.

**Department Deadline:** All application/nomination material must be submitted to the University Graduate School by **Thursday, March 25, 2010**. Each nomination/application must be submitted as one pdf or word document. If you are submitting more than one nomination, please create one attachment for each nomination.

**Evaluation:** The primary criteria for evaluation of nominees include academic excellence, evidence of department support and mentorship, and the likelihood that receipt of the fellowship will facilitate completion of the degree within one academic year.



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**Indiana University Credit Union Dissertation Fellowship Cover Page**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**University I.D.#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Department:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduate GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names, campus mailing addresses, email address and phone number of nominators:**

**Dissertation Advisor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Director of Graduate Studies:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Indiana University Credit Union Dissertation Fellowship Questionnaire**

1. What date do you anticipate completing your degree?
2. How will you use the dissertation fellowship funds?
3. Describe any current or anticipated employment for the coming year.
4. Are you supporting dependents?
5. How much do you owe in debt to all sources?
6. Will you be receiving money from other sources?
7. How will receiving this fellowship impact you?
8. Are you receiving financial assistance from IU?
9. What other sources of support are available to you from your academic department?