



Seeking Research Fellow Applicants for CRIGS Program

The CACREP Research Initiative for Graduate Students (CRIGS) program offers opportunities to current CACREP graduate students to become a CRIGS Research Fellow for a one year term. Research Fellows will collaborate with one another, as well as with CACREP Staff, to engage in research endeavors that mirror and support CACREP's vision, mission, and values. Research Fellows involved in the CRIGS program will have the unique opportunity to be involved in scholarly endeavors that align with the goals and objectives of the CACREP Research Agenda.

Program Overview

There are two Research Fellow openings under the CRIGS program for 2016. Graduate students who are chosen as Research Fellows will hold the position for one full year. Research Fellows will begin research-related activities mid-January and work closely with CACREP throughout the one year appointment. Research Fellows can expect to gain experience in academic research, scholarly writing, professional collaborations, and activities that enhance personal knowledge of CACREP's impact on the counseling profession. While CACREP will be involved throughout the research process, the Research Fellows will work together as a team to identify primary research goals, choose appropriate research design(s) and methodologies, oversee data collection and analyses, share writing responsibilities, set and meet deadlines, and hold regular conference calls with CACREP.

CACREP will cover the cost of research materials (i.e., copies, surveys, etc.). No stipend is guaranteed to Research Fellows in the CRIGS program. However, there are monetary incentives to encourage the production of scholarly work that has potential to impact the counseling profession. If the CRIGS team publishes their research in a national refereed journal, each member will be awarded a **\$1,000** stipend. If the team presents their research at a national conference, each member will be awarded a **\$500** stipend. Publications in professional magazines or state journals, as well as regional or state conference presentations, will result in each member being awarded a **\$250** stipend. Research Fellows can only earn one stipend at each level, with a maximum total earning potential of **\$1,750** per Research Fellow. (*Note: As with other CACREP research projects, all data will be owned by CACREP and students will need CACREP approval prior to publishing or presenting their findings through professional venues.*)

Application Process

The deadline to apply is November 15th, 2015. CACREP will appoint two CRIGS Research Fellows for 2016 and base decisions on applicant qualifications and experience. Applicants must be a master's or doctoral level student currently enrolled in a CACREP-accredited program to be considered. Additionally, students applying to participate in the CRIGS program should have successfully completed graduate coursework related to statistical analysis and research methods. Preference will be given to graduate students who are members of Chi Sigma Iota (CSI).

Qualified students interested in applying to be a 2016 CRIGS Research Fellow should electronically submit (a) a cover letter, (b) a letter of recommendation from a faculty member, (c) a writing sample that demonstrates ability to conduct research and report findings, and (d) an up-to-date curriculum vita. Application materials should be emailed to Tyler Kimbel, Vice President, Research and Advocacy & Outreach, at tkimbel@cacrep.org. All questions regarding the CRIGS program should be directed to the CACREP office (703) 535-5990.