



**PhD STUDENT SUMMER FUNDING FELLOWSHIPS
2019-2020 CALL FOR PROPOSALS
DATE OF CALL: January 28, 2019
DEADLINE: March 21, 2019**

ABOUT IPE. IPE seeks to promote research and multi-disciplinary deliberation about the social implications and ethics of science, technology and medicine. See ipe.ucsd.edu.

PURPOSE OF FELLOWSHIPS. The fellowships will allow PhD students engaged in social science or humanistic research to work on a project within the mission of IPE. The student's dissertation need not be on this topic. We anticipate students working on a side project from their primary dissertation research that may result in a journal article. Both fellowships are also intended to help foster a lively academic community at IPE, so fellows are expected to be participating members of the relevant IPE monthly workshop during the subsequent year 2019-2020.

GENE DRIVE FELLOWSHIP. This fellowship is for those who are doing research on the topic of gene drives. The IPE is working with the Tata Institute for Genetics and Society. See: <http://tigs.ucsd.edu/>. The end goal of TIGS is to use gene drives to achieve environmental and public health goals, such as creating mosquitos that do not transmit malaria. Part of the TIGS effort is to examine the social implications and ethics of gene drives. It is expected that fellows will be developing expertise in an intellectual area for which gene drives are a relevant case. For example, gene drives could be a case in debates about environmental ethics, political decision-making about public health technologies in developing countries, or the public's conception of disease. Gene Drive PhD Fellows will be a part of the IPE Gene Drive Working Group that meets monthly.

GENERAL IPE FELLOWSHIP. The general fellowship is for any topic within the remit of the IPE. Examples could include human genetic modification, big data and algorithms, moral psychology, environmental ethics, hospital decision-making and much more. The remit is any topic where the research would contribute to ethical decision-making. In the 2019-20 academic year fellows are expected to participate in monthly IPE working group meetings.

DECIDING BETWEEN THE TWO FELLOWSHIPS. The above two fellowships are distinct and there are important differences between them. The gene drive fellowship pays \$5,000 and the general fellowship pays \$4,000. Due to the specificity of the Gene Drive fellowship, it is anticipated that fewer applications will be received, which could raise the probability of obtaining this particular fellowship. Students with multiple interests can apply to both.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible applicants must be a UC San Diego PhD student in good standing.

AWARD AMOUNT. A Gene Drive PhD fellow will receive a \$5000 stipend in the summer of 2019, and a General IPE PhD fellow will receive a \$4,000 stipend in the summer of 2019.¹ In both cases it is expected that the PhD fellow will participate in a monthly workshop for the 2019-2020 year.

APPLICATION PROCESS. Please submit an electronic application with the following information:

- **Project Description** (3 pages maximum). This should include theoretical framing, your research plan, and a paragraph of how the scholarly activity is consistent with the IPE vision.
- **CV**
- **Letter of recommendation from your primary faculty advisor**

Submit application via e-mail to ipe@ucsd.edu, with the subject line, "IPE PhD Fellowship Program."

For questions and clarifications regarding whether your intellectual idea fits with the purpose of the fellowship, contact either John Evans (jhevans@ucsd.edu) (social science) or Craig Callender (ccaller@ucsd.edu) (philosophy of science or ethics).

REPORTING PROCESS: Awardees will produce a one-page report by October 2, 2019 of the research progress. This report will be compiled as part of IPE's annual submission to the Dean of Arts and Humanities, and the content may be used as part of the IPE Annual Report.

¹ The stipends are payable upon approval from the student's home department to ensure that the stipend will not exceed the Graduate Division or departmental maximum earnings limit.