

## **Georges Lurcy Fellowship Program For Study in France 2012-13**

The Georges Lurcy Charitable and Educational Trust offers fellowships to outstanding American students for advanced graduate study and research in France. The research topic should be unique to France and one that can only be pursued in that country. Awards are for one academic year.

A stipend (\$25,300 in 2010-11) will cover the cost of educational fees, necessary travel, and living expenses while in France. Applicants must be enrolled at Stanford University or at an educational institution in France during the tenure of the fellowship.

### **About the Program**

Georges Lurcy was born in France and immigrated to the United States at the onset of World War II. He became a citizen and remained in residence here until his death in 1953. He left his substantial estate in trusts for his immediate family and provided in his Will that after their deaths his estate should be continued in perpetual trust for charitable and educational purposes, including financial assistance for study in the United States by outstanding French students and for study in France by outstanding American students. After the death of his widow, the last survivor among his immediate family, the Charitable and Educational Trust has been increased substantially.

In recognition of Stanford University as a leading educational institution and as a likely source of worthy candidates, a Lurcy Fellowship program has been established at Stanford. It joins other leading United States universities, as well as French universities, where the Lurcy Fellowships have been met with an enthusiastic response and cooperation, as they fill a genuine need.

### **Applicants**

The Lurcy Fellowship Program is designed for advanced Ph.D. students.

The candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States. There are no restrictions as to race, sex, religion, or field of study. Candidates ordinarily will be between 21 and 30 years of age, but age is not a limiting factor.

The Will of Georges Lurcy suggests that in the selection of students "major emphasis be placed upon academic merit, but that all qualities of leadership shall also be recognized." In awarding Lurcy Fellowships, the Trustees are looking at the quality of the students, which should be of the highest rank, and the fruitfulness of the research topic that is typically French and may be uniquely researched in France. To that end, they invite the broadest range of topics without exclusion of any field of study, time period, or preference as to any department. However, the foundation prefers to fund research for topics with contemporary relevance (although not a requirement).

## **Stanford Application Procedures**

COMPLETED Lurcy Fellowship applications must be submitted **online** by the deadline listed below. Incomplete applications **WILL NOT** be considered and **applicants are urged to arrange for support letters early in the application process**. The H&S Dean's Office will screen, through its own review procedures, the applicants forwarding to the Lurcy Trust no more than one highly qualified applicant. The Lurcy Trust will then conduct its own review and selection process and notify the School in May.

The online application can be found by going to <http://gus-humsci.stanford.edu> and clicking on the "Graduate Student Funding" link on the right. (Direct link is [http://www.stanford.edu/dept/humsci/external/grad/financialaid\\_fellowships.html](http://www.stanford.edu/dept/humsci/external/grad/financialaid_fellowships.html)). Instructions for using the Online Fellowship Application can be found at the end of this document.

A complete online application will include the following:

*Note: Materials used for Whiting/Geballe/Mellon competition are acceptable.*

1. Online Student Profile and application
2. Curriculum vitae;
3. Upload the following in a single file (PDF or DOC):
  - a. Brief outline of the dissertation project (of no more than 1000 words). Because it is a priority of the Foundation, please consider whether or not your dissertation has any explicit contemporary relevance to French language, culture, or civilization. If it does, please make sure you highlight those linkages in your outline. However, even if it does not, you are still eligible to receive the Stanford nomination.
  - b. Evidence of language skills adequate for the research task
  - c. Short statement of applicant's reason for studying in France and the anticipated length of stay.
4. Upload copy of current transcript (unofficial AXESS transcript saved as HTML, JPG, or PDF is acceptable)
5. Upload copy of undergraduate transcript (contact [gus-helpme@stanford.edu](mailto:gus-helpme@stanford.edu) if scanner access is needed)
6. One letter of recommendation from the academic adviser that speaks specifically to your eligibility for the Lurcy award (You can send your recommenders instructions on submitting letters once you initiate your online application).

Questions about eligibility should be directed to Ayodele Thomas ([ayodele.thomas@stanford.edu](mailto:ayodele.thomas@stanford.edu); 650-724-3712).

**Deadline for Applications:**  
**January 27, 2012 (midnight)**

## Instructions for using the School of Humanities & Sciences Online Fellowship Application 2011-12 Academic Year

You may apply for the following awards using these instructions: *GRO, Eisenhower/Roberts, Lurcy, Lieberman (Natural Sciences & Social Sciences), ARCS, Pigott and Kwoks*. For the Mellon, Whiting, and Lieberman in the Humanities & Arts, apply through the Stanford Humanities Center:  
<http://shc.stanford.edu/>.

The online application can be found by going to <http://gus-humsci.stanford.edu> and clicking on the "Graduate Student Funding" link on the right. (Direct link is <http://www.stanford.edu/dept/humsci/cgi-bin/gus/content/current-funding>).

There are four steps for submitting an online application. Links for all 4 steps can be found on the "Welcome Page" when you log into the online application.

1. *Edit your student profile*. This single profile will be used with all applications submitted with this system. Please make sure that it remains up to date.
2. *Initiate a new application*. This step should only be completed once each year for each fellowship/award. If you accidentally create a duplicate application, you will be able to delete the duplicate when you go to edit your applications.
  - Note that only the Lieberman, ARCS and Pigott are Fellowship/Award type: "Nomination" and require a nomination from your department. All other awards are "Open" and anyone meeting the fellowship guidelines can apply.
3. *Edit existing applications*. Once you have initiated a new application, you will be able to go back and edit it as many times as you would like before the application deadline. There is no separate process for your final submission of the application (i.e. no "Submit" button). Once the application deadline has passed, all applications on file will be reviewed in their current status.
4. *Request recommendation(s)*. Once you have entered your recommender information in your application, you can request that an email be sent to your recommender(s). We recommend following up with your recommender(s) to make sure that they received the request.

### File Format

All files should be submitted as Word (\*.doc or \*.docx), PDF (\*.pdf), or JPG (\*.jpg) files. When you update your application, you should receive an e-mail message confirming that the application was updated that lists submitted files.

Questions: Contact [gus-helpme@stanford.edu](mailto:gus-helpme@stanford.edu)