

UC Carbon Neutrality Initiative Student Engagement Fellowship Application

Eligibility: Open to Registered Undergraduate and Graduate Level Students

Application Deadline: May 19, 2017

Email PDF to scholarships@ucsd.edu

The overarching goal of UC President Janet Napolitano's Carbon Neutrality Initiative is to commit the University of California system and all campuses to emit net zero greenhouse gases from its buildings and vehicle fleet by 2025 and net zero emissions from all sources by 2050. To ensure that students are engaged in this critical effort, the President created the **UC Carbon Neutrality Initiative (CNI) Fellowship Program** for undergraduate or graduate positions dedicated to supporting the UC Carbon Neutrality Initiative, the UC Global Climate Leadership Council, and their related efforts on each UC campus.

CNI Student Engagement Fellows – Responsibilities

One CNI Student Engagement Fellowship will be awarded. The Fellow will receive a \$4,000 award and \$1,000 budget for campus programming related to CNI engagement. Students selected to serve as the campus CNI Student Engagement Fellow will work with UCSD's Director of Campus Carbon Neutrality and sustainability staff to communicate about campus and UC-wide carbon neutrality and sustainability goals and programs, to assess existing programs and efforts, and to engage undergraduate and graduate students in those efforts. Engagement and communication efforts should enable and empower students to provide feedback about campus and UC-wide CNI and sustainability programs. In addition to these expectations, and those set out by campus supervisors, CNI Student Engagement Fellows have the following responsibilities:

Student Engagement

- Promote awareness of the Carbon Neutrality Initiative and campus student fellow projects (e.g., tabling about the CNI, engaging student leaders and student organizations in discussions about the CNI, write stories on student fellow projects, etc.)
- Network and/or help assist with publicizing campus events related to CNI activities.
- Infuse, where appropriate, CNI branding into campus events, including on-campus activities in conjunction with Earth Day in April 2018.
- Support efforts to rollout outcomes from Global Climate Leadership Council (GCLC)/CNI Working Groups.

Meetings/Events

- Host a student climate forum on campus.
- Join monthly system-wide CNI Student Engagement conference calls.
- Attend at least one GCLC meeting during the academic year.
- Meet with CNI leaders on campus to learn about ongoing CNI efforts.

Reporting

- Submit quarterly updates along with other CNI working group leaders, sharing the status of engagement efforts.
- Submit a year-end report on how the \$1,000 budget for campus programming was spent in support of student engagement.

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- Provide student feedback and communicate campus needs and opportunities.
- Offer guidance on advancing campus-based student engagement in the CNI.

System-wide Events

Absent exceptional circumstances, all CNI Student Fellows are *required* to attend the following system-wide events:

- Orientation at UC Santa Barbara on June 26, 2017 (Required)
- Student Leadership Trainings – Date TBD (Required for Student Engagement Fellows/Optional for Student Fellows)
- CNI Student Fellow Field Trip – April 2018 (Required)
- Symposium and CHESC Poster Presentation - June 2018 (Required)

To Apply

Save the application below to your computer, open the application, type in your information and enter your electronic signature. Click SAVE AS, and forward to scholarships@ucsd.edu by May 19, 2017. Use the following naming convention: lastname_firstname_cni2017.pdf. Applicants will receive an email confirming receipt of the application and an email regarding the status of their application by the end of May. **Provide your electronic signature at the bottom of page 6.**

Questions?

Contact Sara McKinstry (smckinstry@ucsd.edu) and Becky Obayashi (scholarships@ucsd.edu).

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

UCSD PID: A _____ Email: _____@ucsd.edu

Current UCSD Student Level:

- Undergraduate Student --- Expected Graduation Year _____
- Master Student
- Ph.D. Student
- Other _____

Major --- Field of Study: _____

Minor – Field of Study: _____

Faculty Mentor or Graduate Faculty Advisor Reference

Please supply the name and contact information of a UCSD Undergraduate Faculty Mentor or Graduate Faculty Advisor who can serve as a professional reference. There is no need for your reference to provide a letter. By providing the faculty name and information, I give permission for the reviewers to contact and verify as needed.

UCSD Faculty Name: _____

Title: _____

UCSD Department or Program Affiliation: _____

Email: _____@ucsd.edu Work Phone Number: _____

Provide a brief statement of how you know your reference (i.e. professor in multiple classes, research advisor, etc.)

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Please respond to each of the questions below. You may type directly into the application or copy and paste text from another document.

1. Describe experience you have communicating with students about carbon neutrality and climate change.

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2. Describe your skills, abilities, and knowledge that support your application for this fellowship.

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3. Provide your educational and career objective and how selection for this fellowship would further your goals.

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(See below for required Electronic Signature)

- Use this page, if necessary, to provide any additional information that would support your application for this award.

Electronic Signature

With my signature below, I confirm that all of the information submitted in this application is correct, and I give permission to the selection committee to access my academic records maintained by UC San Diego.

Electronic Signature (Type Full Name)

Date