FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT
Support for Graduate Research Assistants
2012-2013 Academic Year

PURPOSE
The Cornell Population Center (CPC) invites applications from faculty for Graduate Research Assistant (GRA) support for the 2012-2013 Academic Year. Up to 4 one-semester GRAs (15 hours per week) will be funded and faculty may apply for 1 or 2 semesters.

Eligibility is limited to full-time CPC faculty affiliates. Faculty are encouraged, whenever possible, to provide some cost-share (e.g., matching monies from grants, departments/colleges, or other funding sources). However, this is not a requirement for funding.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES
Applications for GRA support should include the following information:

• Title page including name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address.
• A brief 2-3 page (single-spaced) discussion of broad objectives of the research project, the specific work tasks to be performed by the GRA, and the scientific goals to be accomplished over the funding period.
• An indication of whether one or two semesters of GRA support is being requested
• A curriculum vita for each investigator.

SELECTION CRITERIA
Funding decisions will be based on the following criteria:

• The scientific merit of the research project.
• The fit of the project with one or more of the thematic research areas of the CPC (i.e., families and children; health behaviors and disparities; and poverty and inequality) or cross-cutting themes (e.g., population policy; racial and ethnic diversity; migration and immigration; social and biological mechanisms; and cross-national comparative population research).
• Whether the application involves CPC faculty and students who comprise a multi-disciplinary team or involve two or more departments and/or colleges.
• Whether GRA support provides the basis for grant applications to NIH, NSF, and other major agencies.
• The project makes use of Cornell’s “Cross-National Equivalent File” (see http://www.human.cornell.edu/PAM/Research/Centers-Programs/German-Panel/cnef.cfm).
• The project uses confidential data from the New York Census Data Research Center (see http://www.ciser.cornell.edu/NYCRDC/home.shtml)

SUBMISSION
The application deadline is April 6, 2012. Funding decisions will be made by April 13, 2012. Electronic versions of your application should be submitted to Erin Oates, Program Administrator, CPC at eo73@cornell.edu.

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