Dissertation Fellowships are merit-based and competitive. Award of a dissertation fellowship is contingent on the student being officially ABD (paperwork approved by the Graduate School) by the start of the fellowship. It is expected that students who receive a dissertation fellowship will make every effort to complete their degree within one year of the start date of the fellowship.

In consultation with the student’s faculty advisor and supervisory committee and/or the unit’s Graduate Director, the doctoral student prepares a plan that specifies what the student plans to accomplish during a proposed dissertation semester. The purpose of a written plan is to ensure that the semester is used efficiently and effectively toward completion of the doctoral degree. For example, the plan might be to complete two or three chapters of the dissertation during a dissertation semester fellowship, in which case specifying which chapters would be appropriate. A copy of the plan must be on file in the unit’s graduate program office.

Student’s name ____________________________ B Number: __________________________

Department/program: ______________________ Officially ABD: Yes ____ Date ABD: __________

                                      No ____ Date expected: __________

Title of dissertation: ________________________________________________________________

Plan for dissertation fellowship: Be as specific as possible. Attach an additional sheet, if necessary.

Signature of applicant ____________________________ Date: __________

Approval by faculty advisor (name) ______________________ Signature ______________________

Awarded by Graduate Director (name) ______________________ Signature ______________________

For Fall semester ____  Spring semester____   Academic year __________

Review at the end of the dissertation fellowship to be completed by the Graduate Director: Details on back, as needed.

Did the student complete the tasks described above to the satisfaction of the graduate program? Yes _____ No _____

If the plan was subsequently altered, with approval of advisor and Graduate Director, were the tasks completed to the satisfaction of the graduate program? Yes _____ No _____

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