New Scholar Orientation
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Southern Regional Educational Board
State Doctoral Scholars Program

SREB is America’s first interstate compact for education. SREB was created in 1948 to provide services to member states, create ways to share resources, and enable states to achieve together (educational programs and improvements) that would be impossible or financially impractical for any single state to achieve alone.
SREB State Doctoral Scholars
Program Staff

- Dr. Ansley Abraham, Director
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- Mrs. Veronica Johnson, Communications Specialist
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Program Goals and Objectives

GOAL

- To increase the number/representation of minorities who earn Ph.D.s and who seek to become faculty members

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Long term state and institution participation
- Comprehensive package of support
- Enhance effective teaching, mentoring, research
- Collaborate with state, regional, and national programs
- Identify, evaluate, promote good practices
SREB-State Doctoral Scholars Program

MOTTO:

“More than a Check and a Handshake”

*Breaking down barriers to success*
Scholar Responsibilities

For Most Should Already Be Completed
✓ Fill in Scholar Database completely
✓ Sign Direct Deposit & Voided Check for State Scholars
✓ Sign your MOA via Docusign
✓ Keep a copy of your MOA for future use

Contact Monique Waddell if this hasn’t been started.

Ongoing
✓ Update Contact Information
✓ Notify us of any changes in income, field of study, and awards
✓ Attend the Institute on Teaching and Mentoring (Plan your schedules, academic and personal, accordingly)
✓ Send proof of enrollment and grades every semester
✓ Make sure you have funding for years 4 and 5 at the beginning of your 3rd year
✓ Share your accomplishments
✓ Attend mandatory meetings
✓ Read emails from staff and follow instructions
✓ Employment Update for Graduates
Program Services

• **Professional Development** – reimbursement is up to $500 per year for professional presentations. We reimburse individual scholars. See guidelines on our website under Forms.
• **Scholar Directory** – networking & recruiting tool
• Career counseling & job postings
• Counseling and advocacy – Dr. Abraham and DSP Staff
• Regular contact & follow-up
• **The Bob Belle Service Grants** (for graduates only)
  • Up to 3 Awards
  • Award Range: $1,000-$3,000
Program Services

• **Institute on Teaching and Mentoring**
  - Teaching, mentoring, research, service
  - Preparation for the professoriate
  - Networking/community building

• **Funding Information – State/Institutional Scholars**
  - Doctoral Award (3-5 yr. funding package)
  - Dissertation Award (1 yr. funding package)

• **Academic Support (Dissertation Award Only)**

• **Partnership Benefits – NCFDD, Vitae, HERC, CGS**
Program Communications

- There are a variety of ways DSP communicates program updates with our scholars and graduates:
  - The Doctoral Chat newsletter
  
  ![The Doctoral Chat](image)

- Be sure we have your correct email address to add you to our mailing list. Newsletters are sent via MailChimp.

- Email [veronica.johnson@sreb.org](mailto:veronica.johnson@sreb.org) to be added to the mailing list.
Program Communications

• Please be sure to follow DSP on social media
  • DSP on Twitter
  • DSP on Facebook
  • @SREBDocSch
Program Communications

• Professional Development Webinars
  • Next webinar is Tuesday, October 13 @ 1 p.m.

• Topic: Navigating Graduate School During a Disaster, led by three SREB graduates who were in school during Hurricane Katrina.

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Program Communications

• Opportunities for scholars:
  • Leading PD sessions of interest to the DSP audience
  • Contributing to the SREB-DSP blog.
  • Contact Veronica to discuss blog and PD topics.
“Honesty is the best policy.”

Accepting state and institutional funds under false pretense is FRAUD!
“More than a Check and a Handshake”

Doctoral Scholars Alumnus/”Forever”
Bob Belle Service Grant – 3/$3,000
Giving Back – “It’s Expected”
Promote the Doctoral Scholars Program with your colleagues and other scholars
DSP Web Highlights

Scholar Directory

Job Board
https://www.sreb.org/search-job-postings

Forms
https://www.sreb.org/forms

Graduates
https://www.sreb.org/graduates
QUESTIONS?