

## NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) proposal writing seminar

Hi folks,

We will be organizing the GRFP writing seminar again this year as an ECL298. Below is the schedule for our workshop. We meet once a week for two hours over five weeks, starting mid-September to accommodate the October submission deadline. We'd like to develop a sense for how many people are planning to enroll so we can arrange an appropriate number of sections. Please sign up on the google sheet if you plan take the course. We have historically tried to accommodate students from other graduate groups, but preference is given to GGE students when space is limited.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14fJeHtvhj7OR8IBN0EGfVz-qNae-KqTxkDzIVZkpQw/edit?usp=sharing>

We'll have an organizational meeting 9/14/2020 10:00am, which is the Monday of the first week we meet. Each of the individual sections will start meeting that week as well, at a day/time as yet to be determined.

Our time together goes fast ahead of the GRFP submission deadline. To make the most of the workshop, please aim to have a draft of your personal statement and an outline of your research statement done by our first week's meeting as we will be discussing and getting feedback on these documents right away. We will have a course BOX folder with some examples of prior GRFP applications that were funded for you to look through ahead of our first meeting.

Plan for 2 hour meeting times

Post drafts to group folders 48 hours before meetings to give everyone ample time to read and comment.

### **Schedule:**

9/14/2020 10:00am orientation and organizational meeting.

Week 1 (9/14): 1st draft of personal statement, outline of research statement. Request your references.

Week 2 (9/21): 1st draft of research statement. Send your application materials to your referees.

Week 3 (9/28): 2nd draft of personal statement

Week 4 (10/5): 2nd draft of research statement. Remind your referees (letters are due 10/31).

Week 5 (10/12): review whole package.

Submit your application by 5pm local time 10/19 (Life/Geo sciences).

See everyone in September.

Best,

Steve