Information:
The International Dissertation Semester Research Fellowship carries a $7,000 stipend for advanced doctoral students to help facilitate research and the timely completion of their doctoral degree that requires extended research-time abroad. A matriculation and/or out-of-state tuition waiver (if necessary) will be provided for the semester award period. As an exception to the standard enrollment requirement, The Graduate School only requires that the recipient registers for a minimum of three (3) dissertation hours. It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that this exception does not negatively affect eligibility for Financial Aid, etc.

Eligibility:
Applicants must be admitted to candidacy, currently enrolled as a graduate student, and completed all requirements for the degree except the dissertation by the start of the semester in which the work commences. Priority will be given to those students who have completed these requirements at the time of application. The fellowship can be undertaken during any semester within one year of the award date and the intended semester should be clearly described and justified in the application. The fellowship cannot be held in conjunction with any other FSU fellowship or assistantship though recipients can be supported by such funds in other semesters.

Documentation:

- Application form and checklist (available on the Graduate School's website)
- Recipients must enroll for a minimum of (3) dissertation hours during the research semester.
- No more than four page, double spaced, font size 12 description of dissertation work that will be undertaken during the time of the fellowship, with a justification for why such an extended stay is necessary and explanation of how receipt of the fellowship will lead to timely completion of the doctoral degree. An application may request support for up to two semesters.
- Timetable for completion of the degree
- FSU Transcript
- Two letters of recommendation:
  - One letter from your major professor that addresses the importance of the research and preparedness of the student to conduct the work.
  - One additional letter of recommendation from faculty
- Signature of endorsement from the Department Chair or College Dean (as appropriate) by signing the application and checklist.

Application Instructions:
Complete folders (all materials/documentation) should be sent by the Department Chair or College Dean, as appropriate, to the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School, attention: Becky Culp, Room 408 Westcott. Only completed applications will be reviewed.

Deadline: Completed folders are due by 5:00 pm January 18, 2011. Folders received after that date will not be considered by the faculty committee. NOTE: If due date falls on a weekend or holiday, departments can submit applications on the first workday following the deadline.

Award: The amount of the fellowship is $7,000 per semester plus a tuition waiver for the minimum of (3) dissertation hours.