STUDENT EXPERIENCES

"The experience I have gained from the GSR program has created a lot of opportunities for me, professionally and academically, that otherwise may not have existed. It has been the perfect place to gain practical skills in applying the theoretical aspects of my graduate program to real world issues."

Farris Shuggi

"The GSR increased my awareness of HUD's Policy Development and Research and has equipped me with tools that I will use for life."

Manual Keener

HOW TO APPLY?

Visit our Web site at www.danya.com/ hudgsr. Complete an online application and submit the following required documents:

- Official transcript;
- Two written recommendations; and
- Statement of professional interest.

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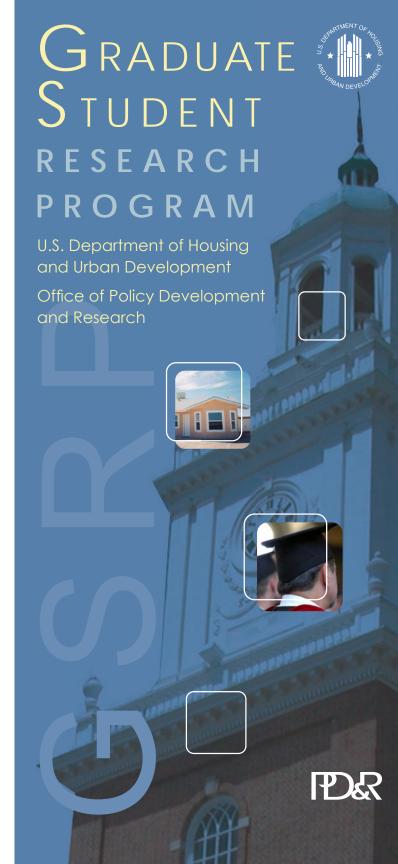**PD&R Graduate Student Research Program**
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GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM

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*A*s the federal government's advocate of fair housing practices and economically healthy communities, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) embraces a mission of increasing homeownership, supporting community development, and increasing access to affordable housing free from discrimination.

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) supports this mission by providing reliable and objective data and analysis to help inform policy decisions. To ensure that this information effectively addresses today's housing and community development needs, PD&R is committed to engaging a greater diversity of perspectives, methods, and personnel in conducting and promulgating HUD research.

In the spirit of this commitment, PD&R sponsors the Graduate Student Research Program (GSRP). This program recognizes the need for a talented pool of academic researchers whose knowledge and initiative will complement PD&R's vision of becoming the premier housing and urban development policy and research organization in the federal government. Through GSRP, PD&R hopes to attract a new generation of housing and planning professionals who will continue to provide data and analyses of the highest quality to assist the Secretary in making informed decisions on HUD policies, programs, budget, and legislative proposals.

GSRP's goal is to professionally develop and position talented graduate students within PD&R to prepare them for future research, careers, and leadership opportunities in housing and urban development.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

*T*o achieve its goal, GSRP will:

• Provide graduate students with opportunities that merge academic studies with practical work experience;

• Administer and develop program requirements to increase learning opportunities;

• Nurture talented graduate students through opportunities to explore and better understand careers in administration, development, housing research, international affairs, and technology; and

• Participate in evaluation activities that will assist PD&R in developing future training opportunities for graduate students.

Students will receive a stipend throughout their participation in the program; however, a housing allowance will not be provided.

REQUIREMENTS & ELIGIBILITY

*S*tudents are eligible for the training opportunities if they:

• Are currently enrolled in a HUD-related discipline graduate program at a 4-year college or university;

• Are U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or foreign nationals who possess a visa permitting them permanent residence in the United States;

• Have decided on or are considering a professional career in housing and urban development-related disciplines;

• Possess a U.S. Social Security number; and

• Reside in the Washington/Baltimore area and be available to work at HUD headquarters.

HUD-RELATED DISCIPLINES AND PROGRAM AREAS

*M*ajor areas of study include, but are not limited to: community development, economics, engineering, finance, housing, international housing, journalism, policy, social science, and urban planning.