

April 5, 2017

To: Assistant Professors, Academic Department Chairs and Business Officers  
(via SBCHR-L, and SBADM-L)

From: Alison Butler, Associate Vice Chancellor,  
Academic Personnel

Re: 2017-18 Hellman Family Faculty Fellows Program Application Information

I am pleased to announce the tenth year of the Hellman Family Faculty Fellows Program. Its purpose is to provide financial support for the research of promising assistant professors. A generous gift from the Hellman Family Faculty Fund of the Hellman Family Foundation established the program.

The start-up funding of most assistant professors runs out within two to three years of their appointments. The Hellman Fellowship aims to assist promising young faculty at this point in their careers.

Awards will be limited to Assistant Professors who have served two or more years but have not yet begun tenure review. The size of awards will vary, with a maximum amount of \$50,000 per award. Proposals are to be submitted by the faculty member. No department chair's endorsement is necessary.

Awards are made without regard to the apparent timeliness or popularity of the field of study; preference will be given to research not substantially supported by other sources. **Previous recipients of Hellman funds may not apply.**

Awards may be used for such research-related expenses as research assistants, equipment, or travel. Faculty salaries, including summer salary, are excluded. All funds need not be spent in one year, but recipients must exhaust their funding before they come under tenure review. All expenditures must relate to the project proposed in the Hellman application.

In selecting this year's Hellman Fellows I will seek the counsel of an advisory panel of tenured faculty appointed by the Academic Senate Council on Research and Instructional Resources. Applications must be no more than three pages long and intelligible to any non-specialist.

**All applications for these award programs must be submitted electronically to <https://ap.ucsb.edu/~awards/apply/> by 5:00pm May 1, 2017.** Only applications submitted using the new online process will be considered. Should you have questions about the Hellman Program, please contact Andrea Dittman in the Office of Academic Personnel at Extension 3445 or at [andrea.dittman@ucsb.edu](mailto:andrea.dittman@ucsb.edu).

Deadline for all application materials is May 1, 2017. Funds awarded will be available as early as July 1, 2017.