



## APPLICATIONS FOR 2016 STANFORD BIO-X, STANFORD NEUROSCIENCES INSTITUTE (SNI), AND ChEM-H FELLOWSHIPS ARE DUE BY MARCH 9, 2016 (5 PM PST)

The Bio-X Leadership Council is pleased to announce the 13<sup>th</sup> annual competition for Bio-X Graduate Student Fellowships. The fellowships are a generous donation by the William K. Bowes Foundation while other generous donors have made the Bio-X Stanford Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowships (Bio-X SIGFs), as well as SIGFs affiliated with SNI and ChEM-H, possible. These donations are helping Stanford strengthen graduate training in interdisciplinary biosciences, thereby spurring important new advances in science and engineering.

Collectively, 24 Fellowships will be awarded to provide funding for three years beginning Fall Quarter 2016.

**For information about the Bio-X SIGFs or SIGFs affiliated with SNI or ChEM-H** eligibility, award terms, and policies, please see <https://vpge.stanford.edu/fellowships-funding/sigf>.

**For the Bio-X Bowes Fellowships**, Bio-X funding is to be utilized toward payments for graduate tuition, stipend, and health insurance. Eligible graduate students must be 1) working in the lab of a Bio-X affiliated faculty member, 2) starting their second or third year of a Ph.D. program on September 26, 2016 and officially active in a PhD program by the application deadline (students enrolled in a program that requires a master's degree must also be officially active in a PhD program by the application deadline). The Bio-X Fellowship may not be combined with any other full fellowship awards; those supported by full fellowship sources (e.g. NSF, NIH, SGF) during the 2016-2019 academic years are not eligible to apply. In addition, the majority of the applicant's funds should come from the Bio-X Fellowship and not another source. The start date of an awarded fellowship can be postponed for a maximum of six months (equivalent to two quarters).

Applications will be considered for the Bio-X-Bowes Fellowships, Bio-X SIGFs, and SIGFs affiliated with SNI and ChEM-H. The Bio-X Leadership Council will evaluate all applications and, in conjunction with SNI and ChEM-H leadership, determine which students will receive each award. Awardees will be announced on May 23, 2016. For all fellowships, proposals must be **interdisciplinary** in nature, bringing together two (or more) separate fields of study. **The interdisciplinary nature of the proposal must be clearly defined and evident in the research plan submitted as part of the application. Preference will be given to students who are jointly mentored by faculty members who are expert in distinctly separate areas of science and technology. At least two faculty mentors must be involved with the proposed project.** For a complete list of faculty now affiliated with Bio-X, consult <https://biox.stanford.edu/person-group/affiliated-faculty>. (All Stanford faculty members are eligible to become affiliated with Bio-X and should contact Cici Huber at [chuber@stanford.edu](mailto:chuber@stanford.edu), Heideh Fattaey at [hfattaey@stanford.edu](mailto:hfattaey@stanford.edu), or Carla Shatz at [cshatz@stanford.edu](mailto:cshatz@stanford.edu) to be added to the group.) See <https://biox.stanford.edu/person-group/phd-fellows> for descriptions of the research pursued by Bio-X Graduate Student Fellows.

**For an application to be considered complete and eligible for review, all requirements must be in by March 9, 2016 at 5:00pm PST (no exceptions) and all additional instructions listed in the application must be followed.** Required with the application: 1) an interdisciplinary research plan (title and 100-word abstract of research description); 2) curriculum vitae; 3) two letters of recommendation from Stanford faculty members that describe the interdisciplinary nature of the proposal); 4) transcripts from all higher education institutions attended; and 5) description of any sources of present or anticipated forms of funding. The application may be found at: <https://biox.stanford.edu/grant/grad2016> beginning January 8, 2016. Applications should be submitted online. Letters of recommendation should be sent directly from faculty to [bio-x\\_fellowship\\_applications@stanford.edu](mailto:bio-x_fellowship_applications@stanford.edu). We recommend that applicants check the confirmation page of their electronic application to make sure letters of recommendation and other mailed materials were received.

Other application materials that cannot be submitted electronically may be mailed or delivered to:

Gabriella Martelino Herman (Bio-X Education and Fellowship Coordinator)  
James H. Clark Center, 318 Campus Drive, S131, Stanford, CA 94305 – 5446

Awardees will be expected to provide brief annual reports of their progress, to participate in scientific events with other Bio-X Fellows, and to meet with donors who support the program.