

Bridge to the Doctorate at Cal State LA

Program Application

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
in partnership with UCLA, and UCI

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

Date of Application _____

Name _____ E-mail Address _____

Address _____

Permanent Address (if different) _____

Telephone () _____ Work Telephone () _____

CIN _____ Date and Place of Birth _____

U.S. Citizen **Yes** **No** If "No", country of citizenship _____

Permanent Resident (give visa symbol and number) _____

Ethnicity:

African American *Chicano(a)/Latino(a)* *American Indian* (Tribe: _____)

Alaska Native *Pacific Islander* *Filipino(a)* *Other (specify)* _____

Major Department and Degree Objective _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____

Undergraduate school attended _____ Major _____ Year Graduated _____
Degree

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

(A = 4.00; B = 3.00; C = 2.00, D = 1.00)

Undergraduate grade point average *in Major* _____ Overall grade point average _____

If you have begun an MS program; Grade point average in program _____.

Proposed Major Department of Cal State LA M.S./M.A.:

M.S. M.A. _____

Please attach the following to complete the application.

- ☐ Transcripts of all your college and university work. If you are a Cal State LA student, you need send only transcripts from work at other colleges. We will obtain your Cal State LA transcripts directly from the Registrar.
- ☐ A current *curriculum vitae*/resume
- ☐ **ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES, PROVIDING A RESPONSE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING. THE PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL USE YOUR RESPONSES TO ASSESS YOUR INTEREST IN PURSUING A RESEARCH CAREER, AND ALSO YOUR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE THROUGH WRITING.**
 - Please describe any previous experience you have in research or related areas.
 - Discuss the reasons why you wish to participate in this research training program.
 - Provide a statement citing your reasons why your goal is to obtain a research Ph.D. degree.
 - List any academic (or other) honors you have received.
 - If there is a discrepancy between your grades in academic coursework and your potential, please explain. It is expected that you will complete the masters degree with a 3.3 GPA or higher.
- ☐ Arrange to have two letters of reference written on your behalf by science faculty or senior investigators. If you have participated in laboratory research, one of the letters would likely be from your research director. The letters should be delivered to you in sealed envelopes (signed across the seal) and included with the application packet. Alternatively, if the faculty respondents prefer, they can send the letters directly to the Bridge to Doctorate program office.
- ☐ If you are not a US citizen, attach a NOTARIZED copy of both sides of your Alien Registration ("green") card.

Applications for positions in Bridge to the Doctorate Program beginning in Fall 2023 must be submitted by April 15. Please be advised that no action will be taken on incomplete applications.

This application is for a Bridge to the Doctorate fellowship only. You must also be accepted for graduate studies by the department MS/MA program and also by the University. Below are telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of the graduate coordinators to request departmental application materials; and the web site where you can apply to the University.

University Admissions: <https://www.calstate.edu/apply>

Signature of Applicant

Please return completed application form to:

Karla Carias, Bridge to the Doctorate Program Admin. Coordinator
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
California State University, Los Angeles
5151 State University Drive
Los Angeles, California 90032-8202

If you have any questions, please see or call:

Dr. Robert Vellanoweth, Program Director

Office: LK 272

(323) 343-2148

vlrnw@calstatela.edu

Ms. Karla Carias, Program Administrative Assistant

BS 160

KCarias@cslanet.calstatela.edu

FACULTY/INVESTIGATOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

_____ has applied for a research assistantship in Bridge to the Doctorate Program at California State University, Los Angeles, and has listed you as a reference. The program involves completion of a masters degree at Cal State LA as preparation for Ph.D. work at UCLA, UC Irvine, or another institution. In the space provided below (or on a separate page, if you prefer), please comment on the candidate's potential for success in a research career in the sciences. Please include the following areas in your evaluation of this student:

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| 1. Motivation for a career in science | 4. Potential for laboratory research |
| 2. Analytical skills | 5. Perseverance to attain goals, willingness to work hard |
| 3. Probable creativity | 6. Academic preparation |

Please return completed form to the candidate in a sealed envelope, signed across the seal. The candidate will include your sealed letter with the application packet. If you prefer, you may send it directly to: **Dr. Robert Vellanoweth, Bridge to the Doctorate Program Director, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, California State University, Los Angeles, CA 90032.** Please send it at your earliest convenience, but not later than April 15.

Name _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Institution _____ e-mail _____