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TO: Deans, Department Chairs/Directors, Graduate Advisors

FR: Pamela C. Stacks, AVP
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RE: GRADUATE EQUITY FELLOWSHIP

I am pleased to announce the availability of the **2008-2009 Graduate Equity Fellowship Awards**.

The purpose of the Graduate Equity Fellowship Program is to encourage and assist students in their pursuit and completion of a Master's degree and careers in post-secondary education. This fellowship is only available to California resident graduate students with financial need. Students must demonstrate a minimum financial need of \$1,000. In order to find out if they are eligible to receive financial aid, a student must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application form and submit it to the Financial Aid Office. A copy of the FAFSA form must be attached to the Graduate Equity Fellowship Program application form. <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Under the Graduate Fellowship Program, awards of up to \$3,000 may be made to graduate students admitted and enrolled in a Master's degree program at San Jose State University for the 2008-2009 academic year. (Note: Credential ONLY candidates are not eligible.) Students must be enrolled in both academic terms and complete a minimum of six units in each term. These twelve units must appear on the Master's candidacy form for award of degree.

Applications are available in Graduate Studies & Research in the Administration Building, Room 223B. The applications will be reviewed by the Graduate Fellowship Program Committee, and eligibility will be assessed on the basis of financial need, academic standing and career goals. **The completed applications are due in Graduate Studies & Research no later than Monday, June 23, 2008 at 4:30pm.** Any applications with missing documentation will not be considered by the committee. Fellowship awards will be announced by Monday, August 4, 2008 and are subject to funding.

If you have any questions, please contact Cassandra Kapell at 924-2485, or via email at cassandra.kapell@sjsu.edu, in the Graduate Studies & Research Office.

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