George Mason University
Seeking Applications for a Federally-Funded DOCTORAL GRANT

The Ph.D. Program consists of:
- **Major in Special Education**
- **Minor in newly-developed cognate on Special Education Leadership**

**Participants** will be selected to receive 100% tuition* for a specific 65-credit doctoral program in special education. Applicants must have or be able to commit to the following:
- Have full certification in special education, general education, administration, or related service area
- Completed a minimum three years of successful teaching experiences as fully-certified educator or related service personnel
- Provide documentation of competence in serving students with school-aged (elementary and/or secondary) high-incidence disabilities who are culturally and linguistically diverse (service may be in any setting)
- Commit to continued service in special education as a condition for accepting grant support
- Provide documentation of emerging and/or documented evidence of leadership qualities
- Certify commitment to complete the doctoral program within three (full-time) or four (part-time) years
- Be eligible for immediate admittance to GMU Ph.D. Programs (refer to eligibility requirements on [http://gse.gmu.edu/programs/phd/](http://gse.gmu.edu/programs/phd/))

Additionally, we desire applications from:
- Individuals with disabilities
- Individuals from culturally diverse and/or traditionally underrepresented groups in doctoral programs
- Individuals who desire full-time* immersion in the scholarly environment of this doctoral program
  - *Applicants who can complete the doctoral program on a full-time basis are desired. Applicants who can complete the program on a part-time basis are also eligible.

*In addition to 100% tuition* support for a specific 65-credit doctoral program for in-state doctoral students, participants will receive **stipends** to cover program-related expenses. Full-time participants (in- or out-of-state) may receive a package of financial support (tuition and stipends) that may exceed $20,000 annually. Additionally, all participants may be eligible for Graduate Research Assistant positions. In total, financial support may exceed $30,000 annually.

For more information:
- Review the Doctoral Grant Information Web Site [http://kihd.gmu.edu/PhDSpecialEducationLeadershipGrant](http://kihd.gmu.edu/PhDSpecialEducationLeadershipGrant)
- The last GRANT Information Session was held on November 12, 2008. Please refer to the PPT used for the November 12 GRANT Information. Note that content discussed at GRANT Information Sessions mirrors content on the grant web site.
- Grant applicants should attend a PhD Program Information Session. View the PhD web site for details about those sessions. **Note that the PhD Program Information Sessions are not designed to describe this grant. However, grant applicants must first be accepted into the PhD program.**
- After reviewing the Doctoral Grant Information Web Site and the PPT of the November GRANT Information Session, contact one of the Principal Investigators if you have further questions or desire discussion:
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**Ph.D. applications for applicants interested in Cohort 2 (courses begin May or August 2009) due February 1, 2009.**

November 18, 2008