

BUNTING-COBB GRADUATE MENTOR IN RESIDENCE 2009-2010

The Douglass Project for Rutgers Women in Math, Science, and Engineering (Douglass Project) was launched in 1986 to increase the participation of women in science, mathematics, engineering and technology. The Douglass Project has received an award from the American Association of University Women (Progress in Equity Award, 1990) and was cited by the National Research Council as a model program (1991). In 1999, the Douglass Project was one of only five programs nationally to receive the National Science Foundation's White House Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring. This nationally-recognized program includes the unique Bunting-Cobb Math, Science, and Engineering Hall that has existed since 1989.

The Bunting-Cobb Graduate Mentor in Residence Program provides awards to women graduate students pursuing advanced degrees in the sciences, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) at Rutgers-New Brunswick/Piscataway. Graduate students have the opportunity to become an integral part of the Bunting-Cobb residence hall. The role of the Graduate Mentor is to enhance the undergraduate experiences of women and support them in accomplishing their academic goals.

Responsibilities include:

- Developing and delivering programs for students living in the Bunting-Cobb Residence Hall
- Availability to residents of the hall and regular meetings with students
- Availability for events, programs, orientation and recruitment functions
- Participation in training programs and meetings with Residence Life staff
- Administrative functions such as reports, record keeping, and posting notices and announcements

One Graduate Mentor is designated as the Academic Program Coordinator and assumes additional administrative functions.

A full and detailed position and responsibilities description is available.

In addition to serving the undergraduate students, the Bunting-Cobb Graduate Mentors are an important support network for one another as graduate students. Learning about the Rutgers University community, discussing research projects, having support while preparing for qualifying exams and socializing are all part of the benefits of being a Bunting-Cobb Graduate Mentor.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be women enrolled in a graduate program in any mathematics, science or engineering discipline at Rutgers University - New Brunswick/Piscataway or the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Students must be United States citizens, permanent residents or have a visa status that allows for remuneration as a Bunting-Cobb Mentor in Residence.

An interview is required for all finalists.

TERMS OF THE MENTOR IN RESIDENCE:

The Bunting-Cobb Graduate Mentor in Residence Program provides stipends to women graduate students in mathematics, the sciences, or engineering at Rutgers University - New Brunswick. Mentors may also hold Teaching Assistantships, Graduate Assistantships, or Graduate Fellowships. All Bunting-Cobb Graduate Mentors must live in residence in the Bunting-Cobb Math, Science, and Engineering Hall at Douglass Residential College.

Awards are granted on an annual basis. Graduate Mentors may apply for reappointment on a competitive basis.

REMUNERATION:

Successful candidates receive a stipend, a furnished room in the residence hall, and board (meal plan and Knight Express dollar) for the academic year. Parking is available near the residence hall.

Graduate Mentors in their first year of appointment receive an annual stipend of \$3,000

Reappointed Graduate Mentors receive an annual stipend of \$3,500

The Graduate Mentor for Academic Program Coordination receives an annual stipend of \$4,500

DEADLINES/IMPORTANT DATES:

Applications and supporting materials must be received Friday, April 3, 2009

Interviews for final candidates will be held in April 2009. Interviews will be in person or may be arranged by phone for those residing at some distance from New Brunswick.

Tentative Dates

Friday, May 1, 2009: Notification of Mentors awards.

Friday, May 15, 2009: Deadline for acceptance of the Graduate Mentor in Residence position with written notice to the Douglass Project for Rutgers Women in Math, Science, and Engineering