

APPLICATION

IDVSA RESEARCH FELLOW

Please read the instructions carefully and complete the entire application. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. This is a competitive application process, as the number of Research Fellow positions is limited.

Applications are due **August 12, 2015 at 5:00 pm**

SUBMISSION DIRECTIONS

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY

1. Please save this completed application form with the following document name:

“Fall 2015 IDVSA Research Fellow app YOUR INITIALS”

For example: Fall 2015 IDVSA Research Fellow app ABC

2. Put IDVSA RESEARCH FELLOW in the subject line.
3. Attach the document labeled as above, in addition to your resume or CV, and email to: margaret.bassett@austin.utexas.edu. For questions, contact Margaret Bassett at email address provided.

Background & Details

The **Institute on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault** (IDVSA) at The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work has established an innovative Research Fellows program to leverage faculty and student interest in building our knowledge around violent crimes such as domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

Selected Fellows will commit to one semester of collaborative work beginning in September 2015. This will include a minimum of 6 hours of scheduled work in the IDVSA office per week, including weekly meetings. Fellows have the option of earning course credit via conference course with Margaret Bassett or contributing their time as a volunteer. Course credit will require additional individualized learning objectives and an increased workload. It will also require that students complete the conference course application and gain administrative approval. A small stipend may be available if not seeking course credit.

About IDVSA:

The mission of the Institute on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault is to advance knowledge about interpersonal violence. IDVSA accomplishes this through research, education, and service in multi-disciplinary, strategic partnerships with researchers, educators, practitioners, policy makers, and other members of our community.

It is the vision of IDVSA that our efforts enhance the quality and relevance of research findings, their application in service provision, and ultimately, their benefit to survivors of interpersonal violence and those who assist them.

IDVSA is a collaboration of the Schools of Social Work, Law, and Nursing, in addition to the IC² Bureau of Business Research. IDVSA's Director and Principal Investigator is Noël Busch-Armendariz. The Co-Principal Investigators are Jeana Lungwitz and Bruce Kellison. IDVSA has been awarded over \$6 million in grant funding during its thirteen years.

THE APPLICATION HAS FOUR PARTS:

- 1. Information about you**
- 2. Anticipated Fall 2015 class schedule and proposed Fellows work schedule**

Part One

Name:

I am a (*please check one*):

- UT undergraduate student, please complete year and major:
- UT graduate student, please complete year and department:
Anticipated graduation date:
- Not UT-affiliated, please list current employment or volunteer positions:
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I am interested in this research fellow opportunity as (*please check one*):

- a volunteer (will receive a small stipend)
- student receiving course credit (up to 3 credit hours)

I am interested in this opportunity for:

- Fall 2015 semester only (Start date August 27, 2015)
- Both Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 semesters

Checking both fall and spring semester is merely an indication of your interest. There is no guarantee that both semesters will be available, nor does it mean that you are signing a contract for both semesters.

How did you hear about this research fellow opportunity?

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

E-mail:

Preferred method of contact:

Phone

Email

Part Two

Please list your anticipated class schedule for Fall

Fall 2015 Class & Potential Work Schedule (if not known at this time, please give your best guess):

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hours Reserved for Class					
Hours open + available for IDVSA					
Hours preferred at IDVSA (if different than hours above)					

Part Three

During Fall 2015, IDVSA will be offering Research Fellows positions, briefly described below.

Mapping Human Trafficking Crimes - Fellows will engage in research and policy initiatives to enhance the understanding of human trafficking (HT) crimes. Fellows will gain professional experience through collaboration with community partners to improve services for survivors.

Victim-Centered Notification in "Cold" Cases - The Research Fellow will assist the Project Director with the development of trainings, a curriculum, and model policy on how professionals can ethically and responsibly notify victims of sexual assault who had sexual assault kits that were untested at the time of initial report.

College Campus Sexual Assault Research - A University of Texas system-wide research project addressing intimate and interpersonal violence on campus, including sexual assault, dating violence, sexual harassment, and stalking.

Testifying as an Expert Witness in Family Violence, Stalking and Strangulation cases - The Research Fellow will assist the Director of Expert Witness Programs with the next generation of Expert Witness Training, literature review, the creation of databases and other activities.

Measuring Statewide Prevalence of Sexual Assault Crimes - The Research Fellow will assist the program director.

Part Four

Choose one of the questions below and write a response, APA format. The essay should be a maximum

1. Describe a population that is vulnerable to intimate and interpersonal violence and articulate how further research can improve practices with that population.
2. What is the role of research in providing services to people who have experienced IPV/SA/HT?

Please attach your essay response, this completed application document, and your resume or CV, via email to: margaret.bassett@austin.utexas.edu.