



PPOHA Grant Faculty Mentor Contract

I, _____, accept the opportunity to participate in the PPOHA Fellows Program at Sul Ross State University as a Faculty Mentor for _____.

- Meet with my Fellow regularly:
 - *At least four times a semester;*
 - *Nominate your mentee for the semester symposium;*
 - *Attend their session at the semester symposium;*
 - *Keep and submit a record of contact with student fellow.*
- Introduce the student to the culture of academia.
- Assist the student with research activities such as research proposals/abstracts, scholarly writing, and oral presentations within the field of study.
- Help develop the student's research abilities, scholarship skills, and professional work habits.
- Provide motivation, support, and direction for the student and help the student understand the rigors of graduate education and the importance of persistence.
- Help the student make contacts with appropriate graduate schools, programs, associations, and conferences.
- Assist the student with doctoral school applications and development of application materials.
- Introduce the student to pertinent professional organizations.
- Encourage the student to think critically, ask questions, express opinions, and *respect* different points of view.
- Point out readings and prominent researchers in the field of study with which the student should be familiar.
- Evaluate the student's achievements and overall performance as well as the program's effectiveness.

I understand that by signing this contract that I support the objective of this program, which is to encourage and prepare the Fellow to pursue research, graduate with Master's degree, and ultimately, encourage obtaining a doctorate. I will receive a stipend of \$500 per student fellow and may only mentor three students at a time without additional approval from the grant director.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ A#: _____