Opportunities for Creative Writing MFA Students

(This is NOT a complete list of all opportunities—please email gradgrants@nd.edu to learn more)

Grants, Fellowships, and Residencies:

Wisconsin Institute of Creative Writing Fellowships
Prestigious one-year fellowships for poets, prose writers, and playwrights to work on writing projects and teach one class per semester at Univ. of Wisconsin Madison. Deadline: late February.
http://creativewriting.wisc.edu/fellowships.html

Ruth Lilly and Dorothy Sargent Rosenberg Poetry Fellowships
Fellowships through the Poetry Foundation for poets age 31 and younger. Deadline: late April.
http://www.poetryfoundation.org/foundation/prizes_fellowship

Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center Fellowships
7-month residential fellowship at the FAWC in Provincetown, MA. Deadline: early April.
http://web.fawc.org/program

American Antiquarian Society Fellowships for Creative and Performing Arts

The Marguerite and Lamar Smith Fellowship for Writers
One-month residential fellowship at the Carson McCullers Center in Columbus, GA. Deadline: early April.
http://www.mccullerscenter.org/fellowships.php

Kenyon Review Fellowships
Two-year fellowship through Kenyon College, in which the writers teach classes, work on the Kenyon Review, and support students and faculty. Deadline: Fall (only offered every other year; next anticipated deadline is in 2015). http://www.kenyonreview.org/programs/fellowship/

George Bennett Writer-in-Residence Fellowships

Stegner Fellowship

Stadler Fellowships
One-year residential fellowship at Bucknell University, where the writer works in the Stadler Center for Poetry and/or edits the literary journal. Deadline: early October. http://goo.gl/Po8Ilo

Olive B. O’Connor Fellowship

Hub City Writers’ Project Residencies
The James Merrill House Writer-in-Residence Program  
Short (2-6 weeks) and extended (4 1/2 months) residencies, with additional stipend, at the house/museum of poet James Merrill in Connecticut. Deadline: October-January. [http://www.jamesmerrillhouse.org/application.htm](http://www.jamesmerrillhouse.org/application.htm)

The Steinbeck Fellowship Program  
One-year fellowship for emerging prose writers through San Jose State University. Deadline: early January. [http://www.sjsu.edu/steinbeck/fellows/steinbeckfellows_apply/](http://www.sjsu.edu/steinbeck/fellows/steinbeckfellows_apply/)

**Teaching Fellowships:**

**Ann Plato Fellowship**  
Teaching-based fellowships at Trinity College for ABD and post-MFA applicants to promote diversity among faculty. Deadline: mid-November or later, depending on need. [http://www.trincoll.edu/Academics/dean/positions/Pages/Ann.aspx](http://www.trincoll.edu/Academics/dean/positions/Pages/Ann.aspx)

**Charles Gaius Bolin Dissertation and Post-MFA Fellowship**  
Teaching-based fellowships at Williams College for ABD and post-MFA applicants to promote diversity among faculty. Deadline: Fall. [http://faculty.williams.edu/graduate-fellowships-2/graduate-fellowships/](http://faculty.williams.edu/graduate-fellowships-2/graduate-fellowships/)

**Reginald S. Tickner Fellowship**  
Teaching-based writing fellowship at the Gilman School, a private high school. Fellows teach and mentor students, as well as serve as advisor to the lit journal. Highly competitive. Deadline: early December. [http://goo.gl/zM1mDu](http://goo.gl/zM1mDu)

**Emory University Creative Writing Fellowships**  
Teaching-based two-year fellowship at Emory University in Georgia. Only offered every two years. Deadline: mid-November (expected). [http://www.creativewriting.emory.edu/faculty/Fellowshipinfo.html](http://www.creativewriting.emory.edu/faculty/Fellowshipinfo.html)

**Travel Abroad:**

**Fulbright U.S. Student Program**  
Fellowships that allow for a study and/or research abroad, including creative projects. Writers can also apply for Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships (ETA). Campus deadline: early-mid September (expected). [http://us.fulbrightonline.org/](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/)

**The American-Scandinavian Foundation**  
Fellowships and short-term grants that fund research and creative projects to be carried out in Scandinavian countries. Deadline: early November. [http://www.amscan.org/study_scandinavia_details.html](http://www.amscan.org/study_scandinavia_details.html)

**Other Resources**

**State and Local Grants**  
Most states offer small grants to artists and writers through state arts commissions. Consider looking into your state’s grant structure. Some cities or other localities also offer grants.

**Writing Contests**  
Contests exist for both individual pieces and books, particularly first books. Consider what presses or journals may be right for your work and begin thinking where you might be able to send your work in the next year or two, particularly once you have finished your book-length thesis.