Janice and William Ames Endowment

The Janice and William Ames Endowment provides support for graduate student research. It was established by alumni to honor a long-time School of Communications professor (William Ames) and the Department of Communication's Visiting Committee chair (Janice Ames). According to terms of the endowment, priority will be given to research focusing on difference/diversity.

Please include the following in your request for support using the Department of Communication online funding request form:

(a) A description of the research project and a statement regarding its significance,
(b) A statement of how it meets the endowment's focus on difference/diversity
(c) An itemized budget [not to exceed $400], and
(d) A statement on how the work will advance the student's research agenda (e.g., thesis, conference paper, publication).

Requests will be considered three times a year:

(a) November 1
(b) February 1
(c) May 1

In an effort to use our limited funds wisely, and to ensure that all graduate students have equal access to these funds, we will limit students to no more than 1 award per academic year.

All recipients of funding must file a report on their work with the funds, noting (a) what was done, and (b) how the work led to a conference paper or publication.

For questions, please contact the UW Department of Communication's Assistant Director of Academic Services, Graduate Programs.