The Steven J. Schochet Endowment for GLBT Studies welcomes proposals for its Spring 2017 Undergraduate Fellowship Program. Undergraduate students currently enrolled in a degree program at the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities are invited to submit proposals for scholarly research projects within the field of GLBT Studies. The Fellowship includes a $400 fellowship for 7 weeks of research and support and mentorship within the program.

Successful proposals will be substantive projects that put GLBT issues at the center of their research questions. Proposals may be original research or may extend the existing research of their faculty mentor.

Eligibility
In order to be eligible for the fellowship, you must be:

- Enrolled in an undergraduate degree program at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities during Spring 2017
- In good academic standing

Students from all majors and disciplines are encouraged to apply for this program.

Benefits
Student fellows will:

- Receive $400 for a 7-week research project
- Strengthen research, problem-solving and analytical skills and have the opportunity to contribute to the field of GLBT Studies in a meaningful way
- Participate in a GLBT Studies intellectual community of their peers by attending research and writing workshops with their cohort

Expectations
Student fellows will be expected to:

- Present their work in a Schochet Undergraduate Research Symposium and write a brief report on their findings
- Participate in research, writing and presentation workshops with their Fellowship cohort
- Meet with their faculty mentors and the Schochet Associate regularly
Application
To apply, find a faculty mentor you would like to work with and discuss your research interests. You may devise your own study or join an existing research project. If you having trouble finding a faculty mentor and you have an idea you’d like to work on, we can help you connect with faculty. Send an email to Lars Mackenzie (macke157@umn.edu) for assistance.

Once you have decided upon a research topic, submit:

- a proposal (1-page maximum, Times New Roman, 12 pt. font, 1 inch margins, double-spaced) that describes your research topic, how you will approach it and your intended output—an essay, a short video, an op-ed in a local newspaper, a policy recommendation, etc.
- a brief (100-200 word) bio, including your preferred pronouns
- an updated resume/CV
- an unofficial transcript
- the contact information for your faculty mentor

Send this material to Lars Mackenzie (macke157@umn.edu) by January 30, 2017.

If you are conducting research on human subjects (by conducting interviews, focus groups, or ethnographic work), you are required to obtain Institutional Review Board approval. If you have not been approved by the application deadline, please include receipt that you have submitted your IRB application with your Fellowship application materials. Proof of IRB approval will be required before you begin your research.

Faculty mentors should submit a letter of endorsing the student, the research project and their role as a mentor, to Lars Mackenzie (macke157@umn.edu) by January 30, 2017.

Questions?
Contact Lars Mackenzie at macke157@umn.edu or the Gender and Sexuality Center for Queer and Trans Life at gsc@umn.edu