GAANN Technical Assistance Workshop January 30, 2009 Cosette Ryan Graduate Team Leader



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GAANN Fellowship Program Special thanks to the following guest

presenters:

- ▲ Michael Pellegrino –Health and Human Services Grants.gov
- ▲ Carney McCulloch Department of Education
- ▲ David Kay University of California, Irvine
- ▲ Steve Lytinen –Depaul University
- ▲ Tim Toleski University of Maryland, Baltimore County
- ▲ Chanta Hayword Florida A&M University



Program Description:

GAANN provides fellowships through academic departments of institutions of higher education to assist graduate students of superior ability who demonstrate high financial need and plan to pursue the highest degree available in a designated area of national need.



- ▲ Is the GAANN Program the right fit for your institution?
 - Two Unique Components of the Program:
 - (1) Eligible students must demonstrate a high degree of financial need.
 - (2) One-year supervisory teaching requirement.



What's New:

- With the adoption of the HEOA of 2008, the GAANN program will now accept applications from academic departments that provide courses of study leading to a master's or a doctoral degree.
- Institutions can only make fellowship awards to individuals who plan to pursue the highest possible degree available in their course of study at the institution.
- Starting with the FY 2009 cohort, grantees will be required to submit an additional final performance report to provide data on the academic and employment status for all fellows--two years after the grant has expired.



What's New (continued):

The GAANN program has introduced the following invitational priority for FY 2009:

Educational Assessment, Evaluation and Research programs that focus on preparing students at the Master's or Doctoral level who will be trained in statistics and measurement theory to become psychometricians.

We do not give an application that meets this invitational priority a competitive or absolute preference over other applications.



What's New (continued):

Point Changes in Selection Criteria

▲ Evaluation Plan increases from 12 to 15 points.

Quality of supervisory teaching increasing from 5 points to 7 points.

▲ Recruitment plan decreases from 10 to 5 points.



Tentative FY 2009 Competition Dates:

- ▲ Notice inviting applications Early February
- Closing Date Mid-March
- ▲ Competition Late April
- ▲ Awards Made Early June
- ▲ Approximately 113 new awards will be made.

