



April 14, 2016

Leila Hernandez Rodriguez
leilaher@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Hernandez Rodriguez:

Congratulations!! I am pleased to inform you that the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) is recommending you for admission to the Graduate College. We are requesting that you be admitted to our graduate program beginning the Fall 2016 semester. The final admission decision rests with the Graduate College and requires the completion of any academic degrees that were incomplete at the time of your application and requires the maintenance of a satisfactory grade point average. If approved, the Graduate College will issue your official notice of admission to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

I am pleased to inform you that you have been awarded a **Yen Fellowship** in the area of environmental hydrology and hydraulic engineering. We make this prestigious award only to a limited number of outstanding new graduate students each year. We offer this appointment to you because of your superb qualifications.

Your appointment will begin on August 16, 2016, and continue through July 15, 2017. The monthly stipend will be \$2,120. In addition to this stipend, you will receive a waiver of tuition, service fee, and health service fee, along with basic dental and vision coverage and partial payment of the health insurance fee for each term of your appointment. This means that you will be responsible for paying for the balance of your health insurance and all other fees. The minimum value of the tuition and fee coverage in 2016-2017 is estimated at \$15,000 for in-state students and \$29,000 for out-of-state students. To receive the tuition waiver, you must hold your appointment for at least three-fourths of the semester.

In subsequent years, as you become more fully engaged in your chosen area of research, you will be given a half-time (50% time) assistantship (for a similar total annual stipend) until your graduate degree program is completed, provided your academic progress remains satisfactory. While our department is fortunate to have ample funds for sponsored research, all research assistantship offers are always made contingent on the availability of funds and the achievement of adequate progress by the student. If you have questions about research projects or the Civil Engineering program, you may contact your advisor, Professor Kumar at kumar1@illinois.edu.

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign University Fellowships and other fellowships are awarded without any stipulations other than registration during the terms in which the student collects the stipend. Please note that fellowship stipends are subject to income tax. Services are not required as a condition for the receipt of University Fellowships, although they are required for assistantships.

We provide our students with a tremendous educational opportunity. Our graduate program in civil and environmental engineering is among the top-ranked programs in the United States. Our large research centers and faculty research groups create extraordinary opportunities for students to become engaged in world-leading

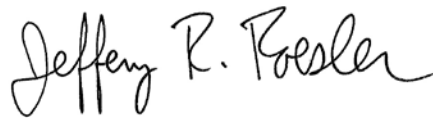
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research activities in all areas of civil and environmental engineering. Our engineering library, the Grainger Library, is the largest engineering library in the country. We provide our supported graduate students with office space, outstanding computational and experimental resources, and an extraordinary variety of support services. We have the largest and best-organized civil engineering alumni association in the country and link our students with alumni for mentoring and job contacts. Graduate study in civil and environmental engineering at Illinois is a wonderful experience and a special opportunity. A graduate degree from UIUC carries enormous prestige that serves our alumni very well throughout their careers.

We hope you will accept this offer. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (217) 265-0218.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffery R. Roesler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeffery" being more prominent and the last name "Roesler" following in a similar style.

Jeffery R. Roesler
Professor and Director of Graduate Studies

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cc: P. Kumar

NOTICE OF FELLOWSHIP APPOINTMENT

TO: Leila Hernandez Rodriguez
1107 Newmark Lab

MC-250,

DATE: June 14, 2016

UIN: 671349483

DEPARTMENT: Civil & Environmental Eng

PROGRAM CODE: 10KS0106PHD

YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR THE AWARD(S) DESCRIBED BELOW:

Yen Fellowship

THE FELLOWSHIP AWARD PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS DURING THE PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT

Period of Appointment	Monthly Stipend	Total	C	F	O	A	P	A
8/16/2016 - 7/15/2017	\$2,120.00	\$23,320.00	1	6	2	7	0	9
			4	8	3	-	2	5
			1	0	0	7	-	2
			8	1	3	0	0	-
			1	9	1	7	8	8
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		\$23,320.00						

Terms of the Award: No Services will be required of you in connection with this fellowship.

Acceptance of this appointment carries with it the agreement that you will make satisfactory academic progress and be registered during the term you receive a fellowship or traineeship stipend.

In addition to these terms, acceptance of this appointment carries with it an agreement that you will notify the Graduate College Fellowship Office:

- a) Prior to accepting any employment, on or off campus (including hourly positions and internships).
- b) Prior to accepting any other fellowship, traineeship, grant, or award from any government agency, state, federal, or foreign, or from any foundation, corporation or similar organization. Upon notification, the Graduate College will determine whether two awards may be held concurrently.
- c) Prior to withdrawal, cancellation, thesis deposit or graduate as it may result in a change in the terms of the award, including termination.

FELLOWSHIP AWARD

☐ I accept.

☐ I decline.

I have read and agree to the conditions stipulated above and I have signed the reverse side of this Notice in the appropriate place(s).

Signature _____ Social Security Number _____ Date _____

You must provide a Social Security Number (SSN) in order for the University of Illinois to process a fellowship stipend payment. The University is required by Federal law to report financial aid along with Social Security Numbers to federal and state agencies on forms required by law. The University will not disclose a recipient's SSN without the consent of the recipient to anyone outside the University except as mandated by law.

Please return the signed Notice to the Graduate College Fellowship Office.

Fellowship stipends cannot be paid until award is processed. Allow two to four weeks for processing.