Application for the Ph.D. Graduate Assistantship Supplement Funded from the Donald W. Clayton Endowment

Due Date: February 14, 2012

This award was established through an endowment by 1959 LSU graduates Donald W. and Gloria Pichon Clayton to support the College of Engineering in its quest for excellence. Donald W. Clayton is an alumnus of the Craft and Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering, and a 1993 inductee into the College of Engineering Hall of Distinction. Supplements to graduate assistantships may be funded through the endowed account. The stipends may vary from \$10,000 to \$20,000 a year, depending on the student's year in the degree program and the funds available. The recipient should be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident enrolled or coming into an engineering Ph.D. program and desirous of entering the teaching profession.

To qualify for the Assistantship, the student must also receive, in addition, a minimum of \$15,000/year in graduate assistantship from his/her engineering department or other source such as research grants/contracts, other assistantships, etc. The total award will thus be \$25,000, \$30,000 and \$35,000 per year per student for the three-year program of study. A letter of support must be included in the application from the student's department/major professor obligating the \$15,000/year support funds. *Two supplement awards will be made this year, contingent on funds.*

The award provides a stipend for the faculty member who is the principal advisor of the student awardee. The stipend will be at most 10% of the award received by the student (given that sufficient funds are available).

The cover page is attached to this document and must be the first page of the application. Applications are due no later than February 12, 2012 and must be submitted electronically [PDF] to Dr. Kelly A. Rusch (krusch@lsu.edu).