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Travel Grants for Grad Students.

For this week's column, we'd like to offer some information on GSA travel grants. A portion of the GSA's annual budget is reserved for the Travel Grant fund. These grants are available to all full-time grad students who attend an academic conference or need to travel to carry out research. To receive the grant, you should keep all your receipts for out-of-pocket expenditures and send them to the GSA office, along with

a completed Travel Grant Request Form. You can be reimbursed for part of any expenditures which are not covered by other funding sources. The request form requires a statement of all your other funding sources, as well as the



signature of your supervisor. To get your Travel Grant Request form, come by the GSA office during office hours (listed below) or send us an e-mail with your name and department and we'll send you the form

through the campus mail service. Remember to save the original receipts for all your out-of-pocket expenses while you are traveling!

**About the Grad Zone** This weekly column is reserved for graduate student news, views and information. Keep an eye on it for announcements of GSA funded events, information on services available to grad students, and news and opinions on issues that affect all grad students. Take advantage of it by sending your news and views to [gsa@unb.ca](mailto:gsa@unb.ca) for publication in this column. We want to hear from you!

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colonial empires by Spain and Portugal, joined later by England and France. Great slave plantations were developed there which required large quantities of forced labour. This was first provided by the Native Americans who had been conquered by the European powers. But brutal exploitation and imported diseases rapidly killed off the original inhabitants of the Americas. Within 50 years of the Spanish conquest of

Mexico, the population had fallen from 30 million to just three million.

The African slave trade developed when the demand for labour on the plantations outstripped the supply of European prisoners. Six million such slaves were transported in the eighteenth century alone.

The vicious oppression of the slave trade needed an ideology to justify it. After all, the emergent capitalists were busily proclaiming a new order based on formal freedom and equality for all people. When the American colonies broke away from Britain in 1776, their Declaration of Independence announced: 'That all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.'

Meeting entitled, "Capitalism, and the Roots of Racism." is being held in MacLaggan Hall, Room 109, on Tue, Feb 13 at 7:00pm, all are welcome. For more information, call Chris at 454-9233.

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