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Fellowship Policies and Guidelines

Scholarship Awarding and Administration (II.D.2)
This policy defines a fellowship as “financial support provided to reduce the cost of a student's pursuit of a course of study or research. Some fellowships include a tuition waiver or a payment to the University in lieu of tuition. Fellowships may include stipends to cover living expenses. A Fellowship is not a payment for teaching, performing research or other services.”
http://www.purdue.edu/policies/business-finance/iid2.html

Charitable Donations to the University (II.B.2)
This policy describes the processes and procedures for charitable gift donations to Purdue University including fellowships. http://www.purdue.edu/policies/business-finance/iib2.html

Classification, Administration, and Reporting of Nongovernmental Support (II.B.6)
This policy describes the processes and procedures for charitable gift donations to Purdue University including fellowships. http://www.purdue.edu/policies/business-finance/iib6.html

Classification of Fellowships
Purdue University recognizes that there exist several different types of fellowships and, primarily considers two aspects when classifying these awards: funding source and award process. Using the fund, the Graduate School classifies the fellowship into one of the five broad categories for the purpose of awarding Graduate Tuition Scholarships:

- federal;
- industrial;
- Graduate School;
- endowed; and
- institutional commitment.

The second aspect considered in classifying fellowships is the award process and includes:

- Is the fellowship student-submitted or faculty-submitted?
- Is the fellowship nationally competitive, invited, or limited submission?
- What are the specific provisions of the award?

The Graduate School Funding database identifies the classification of fellowships. When in question, faculty, staff and students can locate the classification of a specific fellowship by searching the Graduate School Funding database.

Graduate Staff Employment vs. Fellowship Appointment
Purdue University must make a distinction between graduate fellows and graduate assistants for the purpose of reporting to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The University recognizes that there exist substantial similarities between the graduate programs of fellows and assistants, and wide diversity in relationships between mentors and graduate students regardless of the student's source of financial support. Because of these factors, it is important that the administering department and faculty mentor/supervisor make the decision as to the appropriateness of administering a specific award as a fellowship or assistantship in accordance with sponsor guidelines. Clearly, all graduate students receive guidance and direction in the design and conduct of their thesis/dissertation research from their major professor, and faculty advisors approve all thesis/dissertation research projects. The similarities between programs notwithstanding, graduate fellows are not Purdue graduate staff, and payments made to them
are not recorded as wages. On the other hand, graduate assistants are graduate staff and payments made to them are recorded as wages.

**Graduate Assistant or Graduate Fellow Guidelines**

The following guidelines provide criteria for departments to consider in determining whether it is appropriate to administer Graduate School awards as assistantships rather than fellowships pursuant to the Graduate School Employment Manual. Non-Graduate School fellowships must be administered per sponsor guidelines.

**Graduate fellows** receive scholarship or fellowship payments made to assist them in pursuing a course of study or research. This payment is not a payment for teaching, conducting research, or other services. Purdue does not report the payment to the IRS. Graduate fellows have the following characteristics:

- Fellows must be candidates for a degree.
- Fellows must have major professors who can appropriately mentor the proposed research and provide an environment conducive to carrying out this research.
- Fellows generally are free to explore new areas, depending on the progress of the research.
- Fellows are not considered graduate staff of the University. Payment is provided in the form of a stipend provided to support the fellow. Stipends are not considered compensation for services.
- Fellowships generally are awarded to students who may freely select the faculty adviser with whom they will conduct research while receiving their stipend.

**Graduate assistants** are graduate staff of Purdue, and the money paid to them (salary) is taxable income reported by Purdue to the IRS. The salary earned by graduate assistants is subject to withholding for income tax, Social Security tax, and Medicare, and is reported on the W-2 at year end. Graduate assistants have the following characteristics:

- Graduate assistants must be candidates for a degree.
- The work for which graduate assistants are being compensated may or may not be related to their degree requirements. For example, a number of departments employ graduate assistants pursuing degrees in other fields of specialization to assist in teaching their classes.
- If the work graduate students are performing supports the development of their theses, the major professor plays a large role in devising the research plan. Normally, the research is part of the larger program of the major professor. While the student is encouraged to explore new and innovative methods/ideas, the student cannot deviate from the research without the concurrence of the major professor.
- Graduate assistants are considered graduate staff of the University and receive a salary that is considered payment for services.

**Implications for Fellowship versus Assistantship Appointments**

**Tax Implications**

The interpretation and implementation of the tax laws is the domain of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Graduate School takes no position on the status of a particular taxpayer, nor does it have the authority to dispense tax advice. Students should consult a tax expert for advice. That stated, modest guidance on stipend taxability is provided below.

Part of the payment (stipends that are used for meals, lodging, non-mandatory medical insurance, travel, personal living expenses, or other non-course related expenses) made to a
graduate fellow is taxable income. Other parts of the payment (portions used for tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance at the University and/or other mandatory fees, such as books, supplies, and equipment required to be used by all students in a particular course of study) are not taxable.

1) U.S. Citizens
- According to the IRS, a portion of fellowship payments may be subject to income tax.
- Students who are pursuing a degree may exclude from taxable income the part of the fellowship applied to tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance or for the purchase of books, supplies, and equipment required for courses.
- The portion of the fellowship used for room and board or personal items must be reported as taxable income.
- The IRS does not allow the University to withhold income tax on fellowships; therefore, a Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, will not be issued at year end. Consequently, taxes may be owed when a tax return is filed.
- Additional information about the taxability of fellowships is provided in Internal Revenue Service Publication 970, Tax Benefits for Education.

2) International Students
- According to the IRS, the University must withhold 14% federal income tax from fellowship payments, unless the student is exempt from tax because of a treaty between his or her country of residence and the United States. The Purdue University Payroll Department will notify international students of the procedures to follow to obtain this exemption.
- A nonresident alien is required to complete Form 1040NR and return it to the IRS, even if his or her fellowship is exempt from tax.
- More information about the taxability of fellowship payments to nonresident aliens is provided in IRS Publication #519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens.

Financial Aid Eligibility
Many fellowships are merit-based. However, some fellowships are need-based and require that the student demonstrate financial need. The Division of Financial Aid (DFA) is the administrative unit responsible for determining financial need of students at Purdue. In determining financial need, DFA adheres to the policies and guidelines set forth in Part F of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (34 CFR 648.2, CFR 65). Students must complete and file a FAFSA. A FAFSA demonstrating financial need must be on file before a need-based fellowship is awarded.

DFA conducts a survey of Purdue students each year to determine the estimated Cost of Education at Purdue. DFA then calculates loan eligibility, utilizing Title IV Congressional Methodology: Estimated Cost of Education minus Aid, which includes fellowships, fee remissions and scholarships, to determine the student’s loan eligibility.

Additional Appointments

Awards
Recipients of fellowships should report to their department head, department business office, and the Graduate School Fellowship Office any additional awards received. The general policy of the Graduate School is that students may not receive compensation concurrently from multiple fellowships, and many sponsors do not allow students to hold additional fellowships. Before an arrangement of this type can be approved by the Graduate School, documentation is
needed of the specific details, including monthly stipend amounts, tenure, tuition and fee allowances, etc., for each fellowship. The Graduate School does not allow a student to use two fellowships concurrently without a justification for an exception to the policy. Consult with the Graduate School Fellowship Office for guidance in utilizing multiple awards. Students are only eligible for one Graduate School recruitment fellowship.

Additional Assistantships

*Allowable Capacity Utilization Level (CUL)*

Fellowships have no CUL associated with them. Fellowships administered as assistantships have a 50.00 CUL.

Fellows wanting to accept additional appointments must consult sponsor guidelines. Generally, Graduate School fellows may accept a 25.00 CUL assistantship. When classes are in session, international students (F-1 and J-1 visas) are limited by law to working twenty (20) hours per week (i.e., 50.00 CUL). The twenty-hour limit applies to all appointments including combination monthly and biweekly appointments. Consult International Students and Scholars (ISS) for questions regarding international student employment eligibility.
Graduate School Fellowships

Guidelines for Graduate School Fellowships

Graduate School fellowships are funded from endowments established by generous donors and from the Purdue Research Foundation. Through its fellowship program, the Graduate School financially supports its strategic initiative of increasing the enrollment and matriculation of graduate students who demonstrate superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities through two types of fellowships, recruitment fellowships and fellowships for currently enrolled students. Recruitment fellowships, which include the Andrews, George Washington Carver, Knox, Lynn, and Ross fellowships, support the initiative of encouraging highly talented individuals to enroll as doctoral students in Purdue graduate programs. Fellowships for currently enrolled students include the Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships, Chappelle, Kruhe, and Puskas fellowships. Appendix E (Guide to Graduate School Fellowships and Awards)

Selection of Fellowship Recipients

Selection of recipients for Graduate School fellowships and awards is conducted by members of the Graduate Faculty. Members of the Graduate Faculty are tenure-track or voting-status faculty members at Purdue University who have been nominated by the head of a specific graduate program and an academic dean for appointment to the Graduate Faculty. The dean of the Graduate School, acting on behalf of the faculty Graduate Council, grants Graduate Faculty status to Purdue faculty members.

Faculty who are nominated for appointment to the Graduate Faculty are assumed, by virtue of their appointment to the ranks of the tenure-track faculty and their nomination by their program heads and academic deans, to be qualified artists, researchers or scholars. Nominees for appointment to the Graduate Faculty must demonstrate the ability to mentor and supervise the progress and work of graduate students. Appointment to the Graduate Faculty will enable the faculty members to teach graduate-level courses, to serve on graduate student committees, and to co-chair or chair graduate student committees.

Eligibility of Fellowship Recipients

Students are eligible for Purdue University Graduate School fellowships if they meet the criteria established within this manual. Students are eligible for up to one recruitment fellowship during their tenure at Purdue University. Recruitment fellowships include George Washington Carver, Frederick N. Andrews, Lynn, Purdue Doctoral, Ross, and Knox Fellowships. Students are not eligible for the recruitment fellowships if they have been admitted to and have enrolled in a Purdue graduate program. For example, students who have been admitted and have enrolled for spring 2013 are not eligible for 2013-14 recruitment fellowships. They are eligible for the fellowships that support currently enrolled graduate students such as the Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships.

Registration Requirements

Recipients of Graduate School fellowships must be enrolled full-time in a degree-granting graduate program at Purdue University. The Graduate School considers full-time status to be a minimum of eight credit hours in each of the fall and spring sessions, and six credit hours during the summer session. Fellows who have obtained candidacy should consult with their major advisors for registration recommendations. Graduate School fellows must be registered to receive stipends.
Academic and Scholarly Standards

Continuation of the Graduate School fellowship award commitment is contingent upon satisfactory performance and progress, and the fellow’s ability to meet and maintain Graduate School fellowship guidelines. These criteria are established and evaluated by the Graduate Faculty in accordance with Graduate School policies and procedures. In the rare instance when the Graduate Faculty determines that a fellow fails to meet these criteria, the graduate program contacts the Graduate School to initiate probation or termination procedures of the fellowship commitment.

Award Administration

Andrews, Lynn, Purdue Doctoral, and Ross fellowships may be administered as fellowships or assistantships at the discretion of the department, school, or college, based on guidelines established for determining award administration. The Carver, Chappelle, Bilsland Dissertation, Knox, Kruhe, and Puskas are endowed fellowships and must be administered as fellowships.

Awards administered as assistantships must also adhere to the policies and procedures governing graduate staff appointments. Assistantship recipients are encouraged to review the Graduate Student Employment Manual.

Appointment Classification

Fellows are not employees and have no CUL associated with their position classification. For fellowships, the employee group is designated as Fellowship Predoctoral and the employee subgroup is Fellowship. For fellowships administered as assistantships, the employee group is Graduate Student and the employee subgroup is Fellowship Administered as Assistantship. Please consult the Graduate Student Employment Manual for details regarding classification of graduate student appointments. Awards administered as assistantships have a 50.00 CUL. International students are limited to a total of 50.00 CUL during the academic year.

Graduate Program Support

Graduate programs commit to additional years of funding with Andrews, Knox, Lynn, Purdue Doctoral and Ross Fellowships. These additional years of funding are at an amount equal to or above the initial year of funding. These criteria are monitored each semester by the Graduate School Fellowship Office.

Graduate programs support fellows most commonly by teaching assistantships, research assistantships or a combination of teaching and research assistantships. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship commitment.

Deferral of Graduate School Fellowships

In consultation with the Graduate School and the graduate program, fellows may elect to defer a fellowship to utilize other funding opportunities. To defer a fellowship, the graduate program submits a request for deferral using the Graduate School Form 90, providing an explanation for the deferral request in the Special Instructions section. Deferrals will be made semester for semester, i.e., a spring semester for the following spring semester, and will equate to the original with two full semesters and one summer semester. At no time will a summer semester put on hold be allowed to be used for a fall or spring semester’s full funding.
Fellows Transferring Graduate Programs

On occasion, Graduate School fellows may decide to transfer to another Purdue graduate program. Graduate School fellows interested in transferring should contact the Graduate School Fellowship Office. The Graduate School Fellowship Office will work with the fellow and both graduate programs to negotiate the transfer of the fellowship package and any changes which may occur.

Graduate School fellows should be aware that the fellowship award package is an offer and commitment from the original graduate program and not the graduate program to which the fellow wishes to transfer. However, the Graduate School encourages, but does not require, the transfer department to fulfill the fellowship award commitment at the average stipend level consistent with Graduate School fellows enrolled in that graduate program. A new offer letter will be extended to the fellow by the transfer department, copying the Graduate School Fellowship Office.

Fellowship Termination

A Graduate School fellowship commitment may be terminated on the rare occasion that the fellow leaves Purdue or when the fellow fails to comply with Graduate School fellowship guidelines, for example, fails to maintain the award terms and conditions. When a fellowship is terminated, the fellowship account is closed, and the funds are returned to the Graduate School. Prior to the decision to terminate, the graduate program must consult with the Graduate School Fellowship Office. In general, terminated fellowships will not be awarded to another student.

When a fellowship is terminated, the graduate program will send a letter to the fellow, copying the Graduate School Fellowship Office, notifying the fellow of the termination.

Award Provisions

Stipend

Stipends are paid on the last working day of the month. Stipends may be paid as an academic year fellowship or a fiscal year fellowship. Academic year fellowships will start on the first day of the academic year calendar. Fiscal year fellowships will start on August 1. Consult with your business office to determine your appointment type. Note: A fellowship administered as an assistantship will begin on the day of employment.

When a fellow graduates, it is the general practice that a true fellowship is paid through the day of graduation. If the fellowship is administered as an assistantship, the assistantship would end on the last day of employment.

Medical Insurance

Fellows receive a medical insurance stipend supplement, provided by the Graduate School, at a rate based on the Purdue contribution to medical insurance for graduate student staff. This supplement is provided in two payments, the August and December pay checks. In calculating the payments, the business office will prorate the supplement based on the number of months in the semester. The fall semester, August thru December, equals 5/12 of the supplement and spring/summer semester, January thru July, is 7/12 of the supplement. Fellowships administered as assistantships will not receive a medical insurance supplement. Medical insurance is provided as a benefit of employment.
Tuition and Fees
Graduate School Fellowships are assessed the following fees as applicable: Graduate School Fellowship Fee, International Student Fee, Differential Fees charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Schools of Management and Pharmacy and Colleges of Engineering and Technology), Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, Student Fitness and Wellness Fee, and special course fees.

Graduate School Fellowships administered as assistantships receive remission of tuition and some fees. Fees not remitted include the Graduate Appointment Fee, International Student Fee, the Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, Student Fitness and Wellness Fee, and the Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Schools of Management and Pharmacy and Colleges of Engineering and Technology).

Frederick N. Andrews Fellowship
The Andrews Fellowships are for the recruitment of outstanding Ph.D.-track students to graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow, which includes two years of stipend support from the Graduate School and two additional years of funding support from the graduate program. The Andrews Fellowship, whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, also provides tuition coverage, as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions as stated above, and a medical insurance supplement. The student recipient must have an admit date of the fall or spring semester of the upcoming academic year, following the fellowship budget allocations.

Allocation Process
The Graduate School allocates Andrews Fellowships to schools and colleges based on a three-year average of doctoral degrees granted by the college. Colleges and schools are encouraged to establish award procedures to meet the doctoral recruitment goals of their graduate programs, operating within the parameters set forth in the fellowship guidelines.

Selection Process
Students do not apply directly for the Andrews Fellowship. Selection of the recipients is conducted by the graduate faculty who administer the graduate program to which the student is admitted. At a minimum, the selection process considers the students’ academic achievements and scholarly abilities, based on admission application materials requested by the graduate program. To receive full consideration, applicants must submit completed Graduate School application materials to the graduate program by the respective program deadline.

Student Eligibility
Recipients of Andrews Fellowships must be admitted as Ph.D.-track students in a degree-granting graduate program at Purdue and must demonstrate superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities. The student recipient must have an admit date of the fall or spring semester of the upcoming academic year, following the fellowship budget allocations.

Award Administration
The Andrews Fellowships may be administered as fellowships or assistantships. Determination of award administration lies with the graduate faculty in accordance with the Graduate Fellowship or Assistantship Guidelines.
Award Provisions

The Andrews Fellowship provides a four-year award package to the student. The tenure of the Andrews Fellowship is two years. The Graduate School provides the stipend, payment of tuition and a medical insurance supplement. Fellows will pay some fees as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions above.

The graduate program commits two additional years of support, usually in the form of research assistantships, teaching assistantships, or a combination thereof, to guarantee to the fellowship recipient a total award package of four years.

Continuation of the Andrews Fellowship award is contingent upon satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress, satisfactory work performance, and the fellow's ability to meet and maintain Graduate School Fellowship guidelines. Fellowship recipients must meet and maintain the Andrews Fellowship guidelines as evaluated by the graduate faculty. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.

Award Terms and Conditions

Recipients must:

- be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D.-track students in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
- register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
- maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
- adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal

The Andrews Fellowship is non-renewable after the initial four-years of funding.

Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship

The Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship provides support to outstanding Ph.D. candidates in their final year of doctoral degree completion. Bilsland Fellows are expected to devote full-time effort to the completion of all doctoral degree requirements and to receive the doctoral degree at the conclusion of the fellowship tenure. Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship provides a stipend, payment of tuition and most fees and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, School of Pharmacy, and College of Technology) is not provided and is the responsibility of the fellow.

Allocation Process

The Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships are supported through a generous endowment to honor Winifred Beatrice Bilsland. Each college or school receives the equivalent of at least one fellowship, which must be administered as semester awards or as a one-year award. Summer only awards are not permitted.
Selection Process

Students do not apply directly to the Graduate School for the Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship and are selected by members of the graduate faculty in the college or school. Students should consult their graduate program for the selection process within the college or school. At a minimum, the selection process considers the student’s academic and scholarly achievements and the promise of degree attainment at the conclusion of the fellowship tenure.

Student Eligibility

Recipients of Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships must be enrolled as Ph.D. candidates in a degree-granting doctoral program at Purdue and have demonstrated superior academic abilities and scholarly achievements. The recipients must have completed all doctoral degree requirements to receive the doctoral degree at the conclusion of the fellowship tenure.

Award Administration

Colleges and schools must administer the Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships as semester awards or as one-year awards. Summer only awards are not permitted. It is preferred that the fellows on the Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship do not have additional appointments. Approval for additional appointments must be approved by the Director of Fellowships.

Award Provisions

At the completion of the fellowship, Bilsland Dissertation Fellows are expected to have completed all requirements for the doctoral degree. The tenure of the award is semester-based or one-year, as determined by the college or school in the offer letter, and the Graduate School provides one year of stipend support, payment of tuition and most fees and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential Fee (when assessed) is not included.

Award Terms and Conditions

Bilsland Dissertation Fellows must:
- be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D. candidates in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue;
- complete all doctoral degree requirements to receive the doctoral degree at the conclusion of the fellowship tenure;
- consult with their major advisor for registration recommendations;
- fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
- maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
- adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal

The Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship is non-renewable. Bilsland Dissertation Fellows are expected to receive their doctoral degree at the completion of their award tenure.

Bilsland Strategic Initiatives Fellowship

The Bilsland Strategic Initiatives Fellowship program will be administered as special projects directed by the dean of the Graduate School, and usually administered as an assistantship. Further information on the projects will be disseminated as needed.
George Washington Carver Fellowship

The George Washington Carver (GWC) Doctoral Fellowship is awarded annually to encourage students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), Hispanic-serving institutions (HSI), or Tribal colleges, who have demonstrated superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities, to attend Purdue University. Recipients of this fellowship are doctoral-seeking students who aspire to a career as a professor in higher education. Purdue University President Emeritus, Martin C. Jischke, initiated the George Washington Carver Fellowship in honor of this great African-American educator, researcher, and innovator. Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, payment of most fees and a medical insurance supplement are also provided. The Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, School of Pharmacy, and College of Technology) is not provided and is the responsibility of the fellow. The student recipient must have an admit date of the fall or spring semester of the upcoming academic year, following the fellowship budget allocations.

Application and Selection Process

Students do not apply directly for the George Washington Carver Fellowship, but must complete the diversity essay, which is part of the Graduate School admission application. Graduate programs forward nominations of students who meet the eligibility criteria to Blackboard. Application instructions and due date for the Carver grant are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community. Selection of the Carver Fellow is conducted by members of the graduate faculty. At a minimum, the selection committee considers the student’s academic achievements and scholarly abilities and ability to contribute to the diversity of the graduate student body, based on the Graduate School admission application materials, including the diversity essay.

The diversity essay should be 500 words or less, responding to the statement: Describe your leadership, work experience, service experience, or other significant involvement with racial, ethnic, socio-economic, or educational communities that have traditionally been underrepresented in higher education, and how these experiences would promote a diversity of views, experiences, and ideas in the pursuit of research, scholarship, and creative excellence.

The graduate program must confirm HBCU, HIS or Tribal College, and note whether it is a STEM or non-STEM application. The Fellowship Office and selection committee uses the guidelines in determining the status of a HBCU, HSI, or Tribal College, and the guidelines established by the National Science Foundation in determining the eligibility of an academic discipline.

Student Eligibility

The GWC Fellowship recipient must:
• be a graduate of an HBCU or HSI, or have attended a Tribal college for two years;  
• be a graduate of an accredited U.S. high school;  
• aspire to a career as a professor in higher education;  
• be able to demonstrate the ability to contribute to the diversity of the graduate student body through the recipient’s background, views and experiences as communicated in the diversity essay;  
• be admitted for the fall or spring semester of the upcoming academic year, following the fellowship budget allocations.  
• demonstrate superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities. Award Administration  

The George Washington Carver Fellowship may be administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship. Determination of award administration lies with the graduate program in accordance with the Guidelines for Determining Award Administration.  

Award Provisions  
The tenure of the George Washington Carver Fellowship award is five years, contingent upon satisfactory progress as determined by the academic program. The Graduate School provides five years of stipend support; Graduate School Fellow Scholarship; payment of the Graduate Appointment Fee, Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, and the International Student Fee (when assessed) and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential Fee (when assessed) is not included.  

Continuation of the George Washington Carver Fellowship award is contingent upon satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress, satisfactory work performance, and the fellow’s ability to meet and maintain Graduate School Fellowship guidelines. Fellowship recipients must meet and maintain the George Washington Carver Fellowship guidelines as evaluated by the graduate faculty. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.  

Award Terms and Conditions  
Recipients must:  
• be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D.-track students in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;  
• register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;  
• maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;  
• maintain a valid e-mail address with the Fellowship Office;  
• adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.  

Renewal  
The George Washington Carver Fellowship is non-renewable after the initial five-years of funding.  

Charles C. Chappelle Fellowship  
The Charles C. Chappelle Fellowship provides a one-year fellowship to students with undergraduate degrees from Purdue for the furtherance of post-graduate research at Purdue
University. Chappelle Fellows are selected on the basis of character, intellectual ability, and promise of degree attainment. The Chappelle Fellowship provides a stipend, Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, payment of most fees, and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, School of Pharmacy, and College of Technology) is not provided and is the responsibility of the fellow.

Application Procedures

Application instructions and due date for the Chappelle Fellowship are available on the graduate school web-page: [https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/funding/types-of-funding/fellowships/open-graduate-school-awarded-fellowships.html](https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/funding/types-of-funding/fellowships/open-graduate-school-awarded-fellowships.html)

Selection Process

Selection of Chappelle Fellows is conducted by members of the graduate faculty, utilizing materials in the Graduate School admission application along with the Purdue Impact essay. Submissions are evaluated according to the following criteria:

- intellectual ability;
- scholarly activities and abilities;
- engagement within the University and community;
- adherence to program guidelines;
- Purdue Impact essay.

Student Eligibility

Recipients of Chappelle Fellowships must possess a Purdue undergraduate degree, need to have completed and submitted a graduate school application, before the award is made be admitted to Purdue in a degree-granting graduate program, be enrolled in a Purdue degree-granting graduate program for less than one semester, and must demonstrate superior academic achievement and scholarly abilities.

Award Administration

The Chappelle Fellowships are supported through a generous endowment in honor of Charles C. Chappelle and are only administered as fellowships. The number of awards available each year is dependent on endowment earnings.

Award Provisions

The tenure of the Chappelle Fellowship is one year and provides a stipend of $18,000; Graduate School Fellow Scholarship; a medical insurance supplement; and the Graduate Appointment Fee, the Technology, Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, and the International Student Fee (when assessed). The Differential Fee (when assessed) is not included.

Award Terms and Conditions

Recipients must:
• be enrolled and maintain status in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
• register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
• maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
• merit of the proposal in relation to the initiative identified;
• adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal
The Chappelle Fellowship is non-renewable.

David M. Knox Fellowship
The David M. Knox Fellowships are awarded to masters-seeking students to enhance the diversity of the graduate student body through the recruitment of students with diverse backgrounds, views and experiences. The Knox Fellowship commits a two-year award package to the fellow, which includes one year of stipend support from the Graduate School and one additional year of funding support from the graduate program. Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, payment of most fees and a medical insurance supplement are also provided. The Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, School of Pharmacy, and Purdue Polytechnic) is not provided and is the responsibility of the fellow.

Application and Selection Process
Students do not apply directly for the David Knox Fellowship, but must complete the diversity essay, which is part of the Graduate School admission application. Graduate programs forward nominations of students who meet the eligibility criteria to Blackboard. Application instructions and due date for the Knox fellowship are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community. Selection of the Knox Fellows is conducted by members of the graduate faculty. At a minimum, the selection committee considers the student’s academic achievements and scholarly abilities and ability to contribute to the diversity of the graduate student body, based on the Graduate School admission application materials, including the diversity essay.

The diversity essay should be 500 words or less, responding to the statement: Describe your leadership, work experience, service experience, or other significant involvement with racial, ethnic, socio-economic, or educational communities that have traditionally been underrepresented in higher education, and how these experiences would promote a diversity of views, experiences, and ideas in the pursuit of research, scholarship, and creative excellence.

Student Eligibility
Recipients of Knox Fellowships must have graduated from an accredited U.S. high school, be admitted to Purdue in a degree-granting graduate program, and, at a minimum, must demonstrate superior academic achievement and scholarly abilities, enhancing the graduate student body through a diversity of backgrounds, views and experiences.
Award Administration

The Knox Fellowships are supported through a generous endowment in honor of David M. Knox and are only administered as fellowships. The number of awards available each year is dependent on endowment earnings.

Award Provisions

The Knox Fellowship provides a two-year award package to the student. The first year, the Graduate School provides the stipend, Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, Graduate Appointment Fee, Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, International Student Fee (when assessed), and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential Fee (when assessed) is not included.

The graduate program commits one additional year of support, usually in the form of research assistantships, teaching assistantships, or a combination thereof, to guarantee to the fellowship recipient a total award package of two years. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.

Award Terms and Conditions

Recipients must:
- be enrolled and maintain status in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
- register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
- maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
- submit an Academic Progress Report each semester to the Fellowship Office;
- adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal

The Knox Fellowship is non-renewable.

Ludwig Kruhe Fellowship

It was established in July 1966 with a bequest from the estate of Ludwig Kruhe. Its income supports fellowships for graduate students pursuing courses in comparative government, or similar or related studies, to the end that international relationships and good will may be advanced through a better understanding of world affairs. The Ludwig Kruhe Fellowship was established as a “means for promoting a deeper interest in world problems, to the end that a better understanding of international relationships and world affairs may be advanced.” The tenure of the Kruhe Fellowship is one year and provides a stipend, Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, payment of assessed fees, and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, School of Pharmacy, and College of Technology) is not provided and is the responsibility of the fellow. Kruhe Fellows are doctoral candidates in one of the following Purdue graduate programs: Agricultural Economics, Civil Engineering, Economics, Foreign Languages and Literatures, History, Management, or Political Science.
Application Procedures

Application instructions and due date for the Kruhe Fellowship are available at: https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/funding/types-of-funding/fellowships/open-graduate-school-awarded-fellowships.html

Selection Process

Selection of Kruhe Fellows is conducted by members of the graduate faculty. At a minimum, the applicants are evaluated on the merits of the application and the adherence to program guidelines.

Student Eligibility

Doctoral candidates of superior merit in the graduate programs of Agricultural Economics, Civil Engineering, Economics, Foreign Languages and Literatures, History, Management and Political Science are eligible to apply. Candidacy must be achieved prior to the commencement of the fellowship tenure. Previous awardees are eligible for at most one additional award.

Award Administration

The Kruhe Fellowships are supported through a generous endowment in honor of Ludwig Kruhe and are only administered as fellowships. The number of awards available each year is dependent on endowment earnings.

Award Provisions

The tenure of the Kruhe Fellowship is one year and provides a stipend, Graduate School Fellow Scholarship, Graduate Appointment Fee, Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, and International Student Fee (when assessed), and a medical insurance supplement. The Differential Fee (when assessed) is not included.

Award Terms and Conditions

Kruhe Fellows must:

- be enrolled and maintain status as doctoral candidates in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
- register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
- maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
- maintain a valid e-mail address with the Fellowship Office;
- submit an Academic Progress Report each semester to the Fellowship Office;
- adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal

The Kruhe Fellowship is non-renewable. However graduate students may apply for additional awards.

Lynn Fellowship

The Lynn Fellowship is intended to recruit outstanding Ph.D.-track students to interdisciplinary graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow, which includes one year of stipend support from the
Graduate School and three additional years of support from the interdisciplinary graduate program. The Lynn Fellowship, whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, also provides tuition coverage, as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions as stated above, and a medical insurance supplement.

Allocation Process

Lynn Fellowships are allocated to interdisciplinary programs based on program activity, the number of students, and previous fellowship usage.

Selection Process

Students do not apply directly for the Lynn Fellowship. Selection of the recipients is conducted by the graduate faculty that administers the interdisciplinary graduate program to which the student was admitted. At a minimum, the selection process considers the student's academic and scholarly achievements and abilities, based on Graduate School admission application materials requested by the interdisciplinary graduate program. To receive full consideration, graduate students must submit completed Graduate School admission application materials by the program deadline.

Student Eligibility

Recipients of Lynn Fellowships must be admitted to Purdue as Ph.D.-track students in a degree-granting graduate program and must demonstrate superior academic achievement and scholarly abilities.

Award Administration

The Lynn Fellowships may be administered as fellowships or assistantships. Determination of award administration lies with the graduate faculty in accordance with the Guidelines for Determining Award Administration.

Award Provisions

The Lynn Fellowship provides a four-year award package to the student. The tenure of the Lynn Fellowship is one year. The Graduate School supports the stipend, payment of tuition and a medical insurance supplement. Fellows will pay some fees as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions above.

The graduate program commits three additional years of support, contingent upon satisfactory academic and scholarly progress and work performance. These three years of support, usually in the form of research assistantships, teaching assistantships, or a combination thereof, guarantee to the fellowship recipient a total package of four years. Fellowship recipients must complete an Academic Progress Report and maintain a valid e-mail address with the Graduate School Fellowship Office.

Continuation of the Lynn Fellowship award is contingent upon satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress; satisfactory work performance, as evaluated by the graduate faculty; and the fellow's ability to meet and maintain Graduate School Fellowship guidelines. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.

Award Terms and Conditions

Recipients must:
• be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D.-track students in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
• register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
• maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
• submit an Academic Progress Report each semester to the Fellowship Office;
• adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal
The Lynn Fellowship is non-renewable after the initial four-years of funding.

Purdue Doctoral Fellowship
The Purdue Doctoral Fellowships support the recruitment of outstanding Ph.D.-track students who will enhance the diversity of the graduate student body in graduate programs at Purdue through their diverse backgrounds, views and experiences. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow, which includes two years of stipend support from the Graduate School and two additional years of support from the graduate program. The Purdue Doctoral Fellowship, whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, also provides tuition coverage, as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions as stated above, and a medical insurance supplement.

Allocation Process
The Graduate School allocates Purdue Doctoral Fellowships to schools and colleges based on a three-year average of doctoral degrees granted by the college. Colleges and schools are encouraged to establish award procedures to meet the doctoral recruitment and diversity goals of their graduate programs, operating within the parameters set forth in the fellowship guidelines.

Selection Process
Students do not apply directly for the Purdue Doctoral Fellowship. Selection of the recipients is conducted by the graduate faculty that administers the graduate program to which the student was admitted. At a minimum, the selection process considers the students’ academic and scholarly achievements and abilities, and their ability to contribute to the diversity of the graduate student body, based upon Graduate School admission application materials requested by the graduate program. To receive full consideration, graduate students must submit completed Graduate School admission application materials, including the diversity essay, by the program deadline.

Student Eligibility
Recipients of Purdue Doctoral Fellowships must have graduated from an accredited U.S. high school; be admitted to Purdue as Ph.D.-track students in a degree-granting graduate program; demonstrate superior academic achievement and scholarly abilities through the views, experiences and backgrounds, as communicated in the diversity essay; and demonstrate their ability to contribute to the diversity of the graduate student body. The student recipients must have an admit date of Fall or Spring.
Award Administration
The Purdue Doctoral Fellowships may be administered as fellowships or assistantships. Determination of award administration lies with the graduate faculty in accordance with the Guidelines for Determining Award Administration.

Award Provisions
The Purdue Doctoral Fellowships provides a four-year award package to the student. The Graduate School supports the stipend, tuition and a medical insurance supplement for two years. The graduate program commits two additional years of support, usually in the form of research assistantships, teaching assistantships, or a combination thereof, to guarantee to the fellowship recipient a total award package of four years. Fellows will pay some fees as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions above.

Continuation of the Purdue Doctoral Fellowship award is contingent on satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress, satisfactory work performance, and the fellow’s ability to meet and maintain Graduate School Fellowship guidelines. Fellowship recipients must meet and maintain the Purdue Doctoral Fellowship guidelines as evaluated by the graduate faculty. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.

Award Terms and Conditions
Recipients must:
• be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D.-track students in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
• register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
• maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
• submit an Academic Progress Report each semester to the Fellowship Office;
• adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal
The Purdue Doctoral Fellowship is non-renewable after the initial four-years of funding.

Ross Fellowship
The Ross Fellowships are for the recruitment of outstanding, Ph.D.-track students to graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year package to the fellow, which includes one-year of support from the Graduate School and a commitment by the graduate program of three additional years of support. The additional support is usually in the form of teaching or research assistantships or a combination of both. The Ross Fellowship, whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, also provides tuition coverage, as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions as stated above, and a medical insurance supplement. The student recipient must have an admit date of Fall or Spring.
Allocation Process
The Graduate School allocates Ross Fellowships to schools and colleges based on a three-year average of doctoral degrees granted by the college. Colleges and schools are encouraged to establish award procedures to meet the doctoral recruitment goals of their graduate programs, operating within the parameters set forth in the fellowship guidelines.

Selection Process
Students do not apply directly for the Ross Fellowship. Selection of the recipients is conducted by the graduate faculty that administers the graduate program to which the student was admitted. At a minimum, the selection process considers the students’ academic and scholarly achievements and abilities, based upon the Graduate School admission application materials requested by the graduate program. To receive full consideration, graduate students must submit completed Graduate School admission application materials by the program deadline.

Student Eligibility
Recipients of Ross Fellowships must be admitted to Purdue as Ph.D.-track students in a degree-granting graduate program and must demonstrate superior academic achievement and scholarly abilities. The student recipients must have an admit date of Fall or Spring.

Award Administration
The Ross Fellowships may be administered as fellowships or assistantships. Determination of award administration lies with the graduate faculty in accordance with the Guidelines for Determining Award Administration.

Award Provisions
The Ross Fellowship provides a four-year award package to the student. The tenure of the Ross Fellowship is one year. The Graduate School supports the stipend, payment of tuition, and a medical insurance supplement for one year. Fellows will pay some fees as noted in the Tuition and Fees section of the Award Provisions above.

The graduate program commits three additional years of support, usually in the form of research assistantships, teaching assistantships, or a combination thereof, to guarantee to the fellowship recipient a total award package of four years.

Continuation of the Ross Fellowship award is contingent upon satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress, satisfactory work performance, and the fellow's ability to meet and maintain Graduate School Fellowship guidelines as evaluated by the graduate faculty. Fellows who elect not to accept the financial support offered by the graduate program may be subject to termination of the fellowship award.

Award Terms and Conditions
Recipients must:
be enrolled and maintain status as Ph.D.-track students in the degree-granting graduate program at Purdue to which the fellow was admitted;
register for at least eight credits in both the fall and the spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session. Fellows who are not registered during the summer session will not receive a stipend in June and July;
maintain satisfactory academic and scholarly performance and progress and satisfactory work performance;
submit an Academic Progress Report each semester to the Fellowship Office;
adhere to the Graduate School Fellowship guidelines.

Renewal
The Ross Fellowship is non-renewable after the initial four-years of funding.
Graduate Tuition Scholarships

In 2003, the University refined its guidelines on Graduate Tuition Scholarships by charging the Graduate School with the responsibility of approving Graduate Tuition Scholarships on the basis of dollars in the approved University expenditure budget rather than the count of waivers. The policy identifies three classifications of fellowships, which include federal, Graduate School, and institutional commitments, that are eligible for tuition scholarships. In 2009, the University modified the policy for assessment of tuition and fees for graduate students who held graduate appointments. Memos addressing these actions are included in the appendices.

Definition

There are two types of tuition scholarships – Graduate Tuition Scholarships and Graduate School Fellow Scholarships.

Graduate Tuition Scholarships are granted to federal fellowships and institutional commitments. Graduate Tuition Scholarships cover a portion of the general service fee and all of the non-resident tuition assessed to the fellowship recipient. The scholarship does not cover the Graduate Tuition Scholarship Fee, the Technology Fee, the Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, the International Student Fee, or the Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, College of Technology and School of Pharmacy).

Graduate School Fellow Scholarships are granted to Graduate School fellowships. Graduate School Fellow Scholarships cover a portion of the general service fee and all of the non-resident tuition assessed to the fellowship recipient. The scholarship does not cover the Graduate School Fellow Fee, the Repair and Rehabilitation Fee, the International Student Fee, or the Differential General Service Fee charged to students by specific schools or colleges (e.g., Krannert School of Management, College of Engineering, College of Technology and School of Pharmacy).

Student Eligibility

Recipients of graduate tuition scholarships must have been awarded an eligible fellowship, in active fellowship status, and be enrolled full time at Purdue University. In general, students should be registered according to the requirements of the fellowship and in consultation with their faculty advisor. Guidance on registration is documented in the Graduate School Policies and Procedures Manual under “Appropriate Levels of Registration.”

Fellowship Eligibility

Tuition scholarships are provided through the Graduate School as support for the following: (1) Graduate School fellowships; (2) federally-funded fellowships; or (3) institutional commitments. Fellowships listed under institutional commitments include agreements initiated by the institution and nationally-competitive, student-submitted fellowships.

In determining fellowship eligibility for a GTS, questions to consider include:

- Does the fellowship meet the graduate school minimum stipend amount?
- What is the tenure of the fellowship?
- Does the fellowship fall within one of the three eligible categories listed above?

The minimum stipend is equivalent to the Graduate Staff minimum salary. The minimum tenure is at least one semester. If a question arises as to whether a fellowship falls into and eligible
category, consult the [Graduate School Funding Database](#) or the Graduate School Fellowship Office at fellowships@purdue.edu.

**Assignment**

To assign tuition scholarships to a student for an eligible fellowship, complete the Graduate School Form 90, available at [Graduate School - Fellowship Resources](#). Submit the completed Form 90, with the appropriate signatures, to the Graduate School for review and approval. Once approved, the Graduate School routes the Form 90 for all fellowships, except Graduate School Fellowships, to SPS who establishes the account and process the award. Forms 90 for Graduate School Fellowships are routed to the Fellowship Account Assistant in the Graduate School Business Office. Approved copies are routed to the departmental business office, Bursar, DFA, with the original routed to the Graduate School.

Departments or colleges that receive fellowship awards which are not the result of a proposal submitted through Sponsored Program Services should contact the Graduate School who can advise the department on methods for meeting the sponsor’s intent and the university guidelines for fellowships and Graduate Tuition Scholarships.

**Fellowship Proposal Submission**

**Federal Proposals**

Graduate Tuition Scholarships are used as cost-sharing in federal proposals. The value of the GTS to be used as cost-share in a federal proposal is outlined in Section V of the Implementation Guidelines for Business Offices as part of the COPA Policy and Procedures Funding Financial Information. It is listed by fiscal year. Federal proposal submissions do not require a Form 32.

**Institutional Commitments**

Fellowship proposals submitted to industries, foundations, or donors should include the cost of tuition and fees within the request. For all proposals submitted through Preaward the GTS will be approved through the COEUS routing process. Fellowship programs that do not provide for the full cost of tuition and fees will require one of the following items prior to proposal submission:

- Cost-sharing commitment Form 32 from the department to fund the tuition and fees
- GTS calculator submitted as part of the Pre-Award process.
- Alternatively proposing the funding as a scholarship to be administered through the Division of Financial Aid.

**Administration of COPA or Institutional Allowance**

The University will utilize the institutional allowance or COPA provided by Federal or other sponsors of fellowships in the following order of preference. Once COPA is exhausted, GTS cover remaining approved fees as noted in the definition.
1) Medical insurance for the fellow
2) Graduate Tuition Scholarship fee
3) Technology fee
4) Repair and Rehabilitation fee
5) International student fee (if applicable)
6) Tuition and other fees
7) Differential fees
8) Other educational costs of the recipient such as books, supplies, and/or travel as long as these
9) costs are consistent with the sponsor guidelines for administration of the fellowship.
Graduate School Awards

Frederick N. Andrews Environmental Grant

The Andrews Environmental Grant was established in honor of Dr. Frederick N. Andrews to support research focused on improving the world environment.

Qualifications

The recipient must be a degree-seeking student enrolled in a graduate program researching means of improving the world environment.

Application Process

Application instructions and due date for the Andrews grant are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community.

Award

The Andrews Environmental Grant is a $1500 award to be used toward travel relating to the improvement of the world environment. This is a one-time award.

Registration Requirements

Recipients of the Frederick N. Andrews Environmental Grant must be enrolled for at least eight credits in the fall and spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session, though students should confer with their faculty advisor for appropriate registration.

Blosser Environmental Grant

The Blosser Environmental Grant was established in honor of Dr. Russell O. Blosser to support graduate student majoring in an area of environmental sciences. Preference is given to students affiliated with the Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Qualifications

The recipient must be a degree-seeking student enrolled in a graduate program researching means of improving the world environment.

Application Process

Application instructions and due date for the Blosser grant are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community.

Award

The Blosser Environmental Grant is a $1500 award to be used towards travel relating to the improvement of the world environment. This is a one-time award.

Registration Requirements

Recipients of the Blosser grant must be enrolled for at least eight credits in the fall and spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session, though students should confer with their faculty advisor for appropriate registration.
Incentive Grant
The program provides one award for one external fellowship proposal to a select list of eligible fellowship programs. In general, two types of external fellowships are eligible; external multi-year fellowships or external dissertation fellowships. Other criteria the fellowship must follow: is it nationally competitive and does the fellowship meet the minimum stipend amount for the current year. Research Grants and Short Term Fellowships are not eligible. We hope that the proposals will be funded, but awarding of the Incentive Grant does not depend on the success of the proposal. Each of the targeted external fellowship programs provides premier multi-year funding for graduate study or dissertation year support.

Application Process
Application instructions and due date for the Incentive grant are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community. To identify external, multi-year funding opportunities or dissertation support, search the Graduate School Funding Database.

Award
The Incentive grant awards graduate students for submission to a qualified external multi-year fellowship or a one year dissertation fellowship. Students are eligible for a maximum of one grant per year.

Registration Requirements
Recipients of the Incentive Grant must be enrolled and maintain status as a graduate student in a degree-granting graduate program at Purdue.

A.H. Ismail Interdisciplinary Doctoral Research Travel Award
The A.H. Ismail Interdisciplinary Program Doctoral Research Travel Award competition provides funds to assist students in the presentation of their doctoral research at a national or international conference.

Qualifications
Any PhD student who will participate in a conference during the period from January to December in the following year is eligible. Students who have received this award in previous years may compete, but they will receive lower priority for receiving awards.

Application Process
Application instructions and due date for the Incentive grant are available in Blackboard in the Fellows Community.

Award
The amount of the award will vary, dependent on the conference destination and travel expenses. Recipients of the award are expected to attend the conference for which they applied. Barring immutable circumstances, such as travel advisories due to health or terrorist activity, substitutions will not be allowed.
Selection Process

Students apply directly for the A.H. Ismail Interdisciplinary Doctoral Research Travel Award. Selection of the Ismail Interdisciplinary Travel Award is conducted by members of the graduate faculty who review and evaluate the proposals based on the following criteria:

- interdisciplinary component clearly defined;
- relevance of research to the field;
- research statement is well written.

Registration Requirements

Recipients of the Ismail Interdisciplinary Doctoral Travel Award must be enrolled in a degree-granting graduate program at Purdue and registered for at least eight credits in the fall and spring sessions and for at least six credits during the summer session, though students should confer with their departmental graduate committee chair.

Summer Research Grants

The Graduate School Summer Research Grants provide two months of thesis research support for predoctoral students who have been exclusively teaching during both of the preceding academic semesters (Fall & Spring).

Eligibility

Students must have held a one-half time or greater (50.00 CUL or higher) University teaching appointment during both of the preceding academic semesters. A “teaching appointment” is classified as a graduate teaching assistant or graduate instructor. A student holding any type of fellowship, research assistantship or administrative/professional graduate appointment is not eligible.

Only students working for the Ph.D. degree will be considered for support. The student must be actively working on Ph.D. research (Doctoral Student A, C or D) and have completed the Master’s degree or passed all the necessary departmental qualifying requirements to be recognized as a Ph.D. student. This requirement must be satisfied no later than Spring. Students also must show satisfactory scholastic achievement (graduate index ≥ 3.00) and research potential.

Application Process

The Graduate School will send each college a list of eligible students in February. The number of Summer Research Grants awarded to each college will be sent to the college’s associate dean for graduate education, who will decide the allocation for each department and select the students they wish to support from the list of eligible Ph.D. students provided.

Award

The total award for the Summer Research Grant is equivalent to the minimum salary for graduate staff as noted in the Graduate Staff Employment Manual. Departments may supplement the Summer Research Grant. The student supported on the SRG also receives a tuition and fee remission as a benefit of employment. Details regarding the tuition and fee remission are documented in the Graduate Staff Employment Manual.
Registration Requirements

Recipients of the Summer Research Grant must be enrolled and maintain status as a graduate student in a degree-granting graduate program at Purdue. Student must register for a minimum of 3 hours of Ph.D. research (69900) during the summer session.

Award Conditions

The SRG is a 2 month, one-half time (50.00 CUL), research appointment at Purdue University. Student must register for a minimum of 3 hours of Ph.D. research (69900) during the Summer Session. Students may accept an additional one-quarter time (25.00 CUL) University appointment as a graduate research assistant.
Guide to Graduate Fellowships & Awards

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For the recruitment of outstanding Ph.D.-track students to graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow. Whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, it also provides tuition coverage and a medical insurance supplement. | $18,086/year minimum, 2 years Graduate School support; 2 years of graduate program support | Allocation: November 2017; Student Response Deadline: April 15, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |
| Bilsland Dissertation Fellowships
Provides support to outstanding Ph.D. candidates in their final year of doctoral degree completion. Bilsland Fellows are expected to devote full-time effort to the completion of all doctoral degree requirements to receive the doctoral degree at the conclusion of the fellowship tenure. | $18,360/year minimum, 1 year of Graduate School support | Allocation: November 2017; Student Response Deadline: April 15, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |
| Lynn
For the recruitment of outstanding Ph.D.-track students to interdisciplinary graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow. Whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, it also provides tuition coverage and a medical insurance supplement. | $16,386/year minimum, 1 year Graduate School support; 3 years of graduate interdisciplinary program support | Allocation: November 2017; Student Response Deadline: April 15, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |
| Purdue Doctoral
For the recruitment of outstanding Ph.D.-track students who will enhance the diversity of the graduate student body in graduate programs at Purdue through their diverse backgrounds, views and experiences. Each fellowship provides a four-year award package to the fellow. Whether administered as a fellowship as an assistantship, it also provides tuition coverage and a medical insurance supplement. | $16,386/year minimum, 2 years Graduate School support; 2 years of graduate program support | Allocation: November 2017; Student Response Deadline: April 15, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |
| Ross Fellowships
For the recruitment of outstanding, Ph.D.-track students to graduate programs at Purdue University. Each fellowship provides a four-year package to the fellow. The additional support is usually in the form of teaching or research assistantships or a combination of both. Whether administered as a fellowship or as an assistantship, it also provides tuition coverage and a medical insurance supplement. | $16,386/year minimum, 1 year Grad School Support; 3 years of graduate program support | Allocation: November 2017; Student Response Deadline: April 15, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |

### GRADUATE SCHOOL GRANTS AWARNED BY ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

| Graduate School Summer Research Grants
To provide research support to doctoral students who have been exclusively teaching during both of the preceding academic semesters. | $1312/month (estimated) | Allocation: February 2018; Department Response Deadline: April 14, 2018; Award Notification: Determined by program |

1 The Graduate School should be acknowledged in offer letters and all other documents as the source of funding for these fellowships. Depending on the wording of your offer letters, appropriate references to the funding source might include the following: “…the Graduate School’s Frederick N. Andrews Fellowship…” or “…the Frederick N. Andrews Fellowship by the Graduate School.” The Graduate School allocates funding to the academic programs which select fellowship recipients based on the established guidelines.

2 Actual stipend determined by the academic program.

3 These are recruitment awards. Identification of possible recipients usually occurs during the admissions process, utilizing materials in the admissions application.

4 The actual stipend will be announced after Board of Trustees approval in spring or summer.

This guide is meant as a summary of Graduate School awards. For complete details regarding Graduate School Fellowships and awards, consult the Graduate School Fellowship Manual.
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| Awarded annually to doctoral-seeking students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-serving institutions, or Tribal colleges, who have demonstrated superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities. Recipients must aspire to a career as a professor in higher education. | Announcement: November 2017  
Deadline: January 25, 2018  
Award Notification: March 2018 | |
| **Charles C. Chappelle**      | $20,000/year minimum | 1 year Graduate School support |
| Provides a one-year fellowship to students with undergraduate degrees from Purdue for the furtherance of post-graduate research at Purdue University. Recipients are selected on the basis of character, intellectual ability, and promise of degree attainment. It provides a stipend, Graduate Tuition Scholarships, payment of most fees, and a medical insurance supplement. | Announcement: November 2017  
Deadline: January 11, 2018  
Award Notification: March 2018 | |
| **David M. Knox**             | $20,000/year minimum | 1 year of graduate program support |
| Awarded to masters-seeking students to enhance the diversity of the graduate student body through the recruitment of students with diverse backgrounds, views and experiences. The Knox Fellowship commits a two-year award package to the fellows. Tuition and fee coverage and a medical insurance supplement are also provided. | Announcement: November 2017  
Deadline: January 22, 2018  
Award Notification: March 2018 | |
| **Ludwig Kruhe**              | $20,000/year | 1 year Graduate School support |
| Established as a “means for promoting a deeper interest in world problems, to the end that a better understanding of international relationships and world affairs may be advanced.” It provides one year of support, including a stipend, payment of tuition and fees, and a medical insurance supplement. Recipients are doctoral candidates in one of the following Purdue graduate programs: Agricultural Economics, Civil Engineering, Foreign Languages and Literature, History, Management, or Political Science. | Announcement: November 2017  
Deadline: January 18, 2018  
Award Notification: March 2018 | |
| **Bilsland Strategic Initiatives** | $20,000/year | 1 year Graduate School support |
| Awarded at the Dean’s discretion. There is no competition for this fellowship. | Announcement: November 2017  
Deadline: January 18, 2018  
Award Notification: March 2018 | |
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| Frederick N. Andrews Environmental Travel Grant | $1500 Travel and Research Grant | Deadline: October 11, 2018  
Award Notification: November 2018 |
| For degree-seeking students enrolled in a graduate program who are researching means of improving the world environment. |  |  |
| Russell O. Blosser Environmental Travel Grant | $1500 Travel and Research Grant | Deadline: October 11, 2018  
Award Notification: November 2018 |
| To support graduate students majoring in an area of environmental sciences. Preference is given to students affiliated with the Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity. |  |  |
| A.H. Ismail Interdisciplinary Graduate School | Travel re-imbursement  
Actual amount is dependent upon travel destination and endowment distribution. | Deadline: October 11, 2018  
Award Notification: November 2018 |
| To provide travel support to doctoral students in interdisciplinary programs presenting their doctoral research at a national or international conference. |  |  |
| Graduate School Incentive Grant | $250 for external multi-year fellowship programs; $100 for external dissertation fellowships programs.  
Only one award per student per year | Deadline: December 3, 2018  
Award Notification: December 2018 |
| For students who apply for external, multi-year fellowships (The Fellowship Office maintains a list of eligible fellowship competitions.) Grant award is not contingent upon the success of the student's application. |  |  |

This guide is meant as a summary of Graduate School awards. For complete details regarding Graduate School Fellowships and awards, consult the Graduate School Fellowship Manual.