



NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program

Award Details

Emphasis: Academic; STEM

The purpose of the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program is to help ensure the vitality and diversity of the scientific and engineering workforce of the United States. The program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees in science and engineering. The GRFP provides three years of support for the graduate education of individuals who have demonstrated their potential for significant STEM achievements.

Fellowship Benefits:

- Annual stipend \$34,000
- Annual cost of education allowance \$12,000
- * Three years of support usable over a 5-year fellowship period

Eligibility

- Applicants must be US citizens, US nationals, or permanent residents.
- Applicants must intend to pursue a research-based Master's or Ph.D. program in a GRFP supported field.
- Applicants must have completed **no more** than twelve months of full-time graduate study (or the equivalent).
- Effective as of the 2017 competition, graduate students are limited to only one application to the GRFP, submitted either in the first year or in the second year of graduate school.

Candidate Profile

Key Characteristics Sought by Review Committee

- Each application will be reviewed independently in accordance with the NSF Merit Review Criteria using all available information in the completed application. In considering applications, reviewers are instructed to address the two Merit Review Criteria as approved by the National Science Board – Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts. Therefore, applications must include separate statements on Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts in their written statements in order to provide reviewers with the information necessary to evaluate the application with respect to both criteria.

Application

Date Application Available: July/August

Internal Application Due Date: September

Final Application Due Date: October/November