

Graduate School
The University of Texas at Arlington

SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXTERNALLY FUNDED STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS

Purpose: To provide competitive scholarships to partially defray the costs of tuition and fees for PhD or terminal students admitted to programs who have applied for and secured funding from the US or an international government, an official agency of the US or international government, a domestic or international business or industry (including academic institutions) or a domestic or international philanthropic organization sufficient to meet all expenses required to complete their term of study except for tuition and fees. At a minimum such an external fellowship should have a total amount funding comparable to the annual GTA or GRA stipend customary in the student's department. Assistantships or other forms of support provided by grants or contracts to UT Arlington or its faculty will not meet the definition of external funding for purposes of this scholarship and will therefore not qualify a student for consideration for tuition and fee support under this program.

Financial: The scholarship is intended to support (not "fund") tuition and fees expenses, and will normally be \$1,000 per academic year, in the expectation that departments or PI's will attempt to get funds for the remaining balance of tuition and fees expenses. We will consider requests for higher amounts while generally expecting a match from elsewhere. Such requests for higher amounts should be negotiated with the Dean of the Graduate School. Recipients who are non-residents will be eligible to have their tuition reduced to in-state rates while holding this scholarship. Payment will usually be made at the start of the fall or spring semester during which the external award will be held. Any other timing should be discussed with the Dean of the Graduate School.

Eligibility:

1. A nominee must be unconditionally admitted in a PhD program, or a terminal master's program as defined by the policy governing benefits for GTA and GRA students (HOP AA-UA-PO-05).
2. Students are required to meet all enrollment requirements specified by the sponsor. If the sponsor does not specify an enrollment requirement, awardees are expected to enroll in no fewer than the number of hours specified by University policy for holding a graduate research or teaching assistantship.
3. Only students receiving external funding that does not provide all tuition and fee costs of required enrollment may be considered for this award.
4. A student whose source of external funding is through a grant or contract awarded to the University or a faculty member is not eligible for this fellowship. Only students who have applied for and received funding from a qualifying external agency may be nominated. A qualifying agency is defined as: The U.S. or an

international government, an official agency of a U.S. or international government or a public or private philanthropic foundation, domestic or international.

5. An externally funded student receiving a graduate assistantship from the University of Texas at Arlington, grant, contract or other scholarship or fellowship support sufficient to meet tuition and fee expenses is not eligible for this fellowship.
6. A nominee must provide documentation that, exclusive of tuition and fees, all expenses required to support the term of study will be provided by a qualifying agency. Required expenses expected to be covered in full by a qualifying agency include, but are not necessarily limited to: living expenses, books, and medical expenses (including insurance). The nominee's department should also document the stipend level being awarded to its GTA and GRA students.
7. The fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis.
8. Students who receive grants or fellowships that are smaller than the amount required for this award may be nominated for a *Scholarship for Externally funded Student* Awards.

Nomination: The Graduate Advisor of the degree program for the student nominates the student and presents the student's qualifications to the Dean of the Graduate School. If approved the Dean will provide the Scholarship and convey the recommendation to grant a resident tuition waiver based on the award of a competitive scholarship to the Office of the Provost, on behalf of a non-resident recipient.

Renewal: These fellowships may be renewed for a maximum of three years for continuing students who maintain a GPA of 3.25.

Deadline: Award decisions will be made on a continuing basis. Consequently, nominations should be forwarded to the Graduate School as soon as possible.