# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

#### **PROGRAM CYCLE**

Online application module opens in July and closes in October. Competition results are announced by April.

## Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)







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### **QUESTIONS?**

Please visit the following websites for additional information:

For official program information: www.nsf.gov/grfp

For application assistance: www.nsfgrfp.org

For application submission: www.research.gov/grfp

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#### THE FELLOWSHIP

The NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) provides Fellowships to individuals selected early in their graduate careers based on their demonstrated potential for significant achievements in STEM. Three years of financial support is provided by the program for graduate study that leads to a research-based master's or doctoral degree in STEM or STEM education.



NSF Graduate Research Fellowships are awarded to individuals in the early stages of their graduate study. Fellows are free to use their Fellowship at any university, college, or non-profit institution of higher education accredited in, and having a campus located in, the United States, its territories, or possessions, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico that grants a graduate degree in a STEM field.



#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

- GRFP is NSF's flagship program directly supporting graduate students in STEM fields
- NSF welcomes applications for interdisciplinary programs of study and research
- Since 1952, NSF has awarded over 60,000 Graduate Research Fellowships
- Over 40 GRFP Fellows have later won Nobel Prizes
- GRFP seeks to broaden participation in STEM of underrepresented groups
- NSF especially encourages women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans to apply

### **FELLOWSHIP BENEFITS**

- Five year fellowship period with three years of financial support
- Annual stipend of \$34,000
- Cost-of-Education allowance of \$12,000 to the institution
- Professional development opportunities (internships)
- No post-graduate study service requirement
- Access to supplemental funding to sustain research while on medical deferral (e.g. family leave)
- Facilitation Awards for Scientists and Engineers with Disabilities (FASED)



#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- United States citizen, national, or permanent resident
- Must intend to pursue a research-based Master's or PhD program in a STEM field
- Must have completed no more than one academic year of graduate study as of the application deadline
- Graduate students are limited to only one application to GRFP, submitted either in the first year or second year of graduate school
- Confirmation of acceptance in a graduate degree program in a STEM field is required at the time of Fellowship acceptance
- See current Program Solicitation for full guidelines

#### **GRFP FIELDS OF STUDY**

- Chemistry
- Computer and Information Science and Engineering
- Engineering
- Geosciences
- Life Sciences (includes Biological Sciences)
- Materials Research
- Mathematical Sciences
- · Physics and Astronomy
- Psychology
- Social Sciences (includes Economics)
- · STEM Education and Learning Research

