

Assistantships and Awards

Presidential Graduate Fellowship

This prestigious, highly competitive award is intended to recruit exceptionally qualified students to our doctoral programs. The nominations for this award are made by the department and submitted to the Graduate School in late January. This award is guaranteed for five years of support, contingent on satisfactory academic performance and progress toward degree completion. A maximum of twelve awards are made annually.

Graduate School Assistantships

Graduate School assistantships are awarded each year on a competitive basis following a highly qualified student's nomination by their major department or school. Selections are made by a faculty panel based on the applicant's academic record, test scores, recommendations and other pertinent information. The Graduate School assistantships are awarded for the first two years of a student's academic study (including the first summer). Recipients of these assistantships must be fully admitted to the Graduate School in a degree seeking status. Students must continue to be a full-time student taking at least twelve hours of graduate credit per semester.

Graduate Recruitment Opportunities Assistantships

The Graduate Recruitment Opportunities (GRO) assistantships were established for entering graduate students who are first generation, educationally or economically disadvantaged, or have some aspects of a uniquely diverse background to add to their discipline of study. Nomination for the GRO Assistantship is made by the department and forwarded to the Graduate School for consideration in the competitive review process.

Dissertation Completion Assistantships

The dissertation completion assistantships are available to doctoral students in their final year of study to allow the student to devote time to the completion of the dissertation. Doctoral assistantships are awarded each year on a competitive basis based on nominations of highly qualified students made by departments and schools. The student is expected to finish the dissertation and graduate within a year of receiving the award.

Departmental Graduate Assistantships

Most departments and divisions of the University award teaching and research assistantships. In general, graduate students that are awarded an assistantship are granted a reduced tuition of \$25 each semester, but must pay all relevant fees. Information regarding departmental awards may be found by contacting the department to which a student has applied: www.grad.uga.edu/financial/deptfunding.html.

Division of Student Affairs Assistantships

Several graduate assistantships are available through the Division of Student Affairs. University Housing offers Graduate Resident Assistantships to provide administrative, supervisory, programming and counseling services in a residence hall setting. Student Activities offers graduate assistantships for supervising intramural sports and recreation programs. For further information, please contact the respective units.



Regents' Out-of-State-Tuition Waiver

The Graduate School awards out-of-state tuition waivers to students who are classified as non-residents of the State of Georgia. The awards are based upon applicants' academic records and the recommendations of their major departments. The waiver renews on a semester basis contingent upon recipients earning at least a 3.0 GPA on twelve hours of graduate course work for fall and spring semester and nine hours of graduate course work during the summer semester. These awards waive only the non-resident portion of a student's tuition. Students interested in being nominated for this award should contact the graduate coordinator in their major department.

Doctoral Student Travel Funds

Travel grants are available for doctoral students who are at an advanced stage in their graduate program and are presenting results of their dissertation research. Students receiving an invitation to present a paper at a professional meeting within the continental United States may submit a travel request to the Graduate School. Students wishing support for international travel should contact their graduate coordinator in order to submit their request to the Office of the Vice President for Research.

Dean's Award

This competitive award is available to graduate students in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. It is intended to help defray the cost of conducting dissertation or thesis research, and can be used for collecting data or performing other aspects of research. Students are nominated by their major department or school.

► Visit www.grad.uga.edu/financial/index.html for more information about funding resources.



Scholarships and Fellowships

George Hugh Boyd Memorial Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to attract and retain students who can meet the high standards of Dr. Boyd, who dedicated his life to education and research. Dr. Boyd was a former dean of the Graduate School. Recipients of this award are expected to have high moral and academic standards and a philosophy of giving back to the community the best they have to offer. They should be interested in the problems of the University and the nation as well as the preservation of humankind and the environment. Nominations are made by departments and schools. Recipients of this award are known as Boyd Scholars.

Alfred E. Brown Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Annella Brown, one of the first 10 female surgeons in the United States, in memory of her brother. The recipient should exhibit exemplary leadership and academic accomplishment. Preference is given to students from Laurens County, Georgia. Nominations are made by departments and schools.

Mary Erlanger Graduate Fellowship

This fellowship encourages exceptional graduate-level study and research in any and all areas related to aspects of aging, including, but not limited to, the fields of gerontology, geriatrics, mental health, public health, social work, as well as interdisciplinary and emerging fields of study. The fellowship supplements a Graduate School or departmental research assistantship with no additional work obligations. Nominations are made by departments and schools.

J.W. Fanning Graduate Fellowship

The purpose of this fellowship is to provide support to a student in good academic standing with excellent leadership qualities and financial need as demonstrated by FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Nominations are made by departments and schools.

Goizueta Foundation Graduate Scholars Assistantships

The Goizueta Foundation, a family foundation in memory of Roberto Goizueta (former CEO of Coca-Cola), is dedicated to Hispanic educational advancement in the state of Georgia. The Goizueta Foundation funds the Center for Hispanic Educational Advancement in the College of Education at UGA, as well as graduate assistantships awarded to outstanding graduate students dedicated to Hispanic educational improvement in the United States.

Hamilton Lokey Graduate Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize outstanding University of Georgia undergraduate students who wish to continue their education by enrolling in a graduate program at UGA. Preference is also given to students who have worked during their undergraduate career to help pay for educational costs; written documentation from the student's employer is required. Nominations are made by departments and schools.

Phelps-Stoke Graduate Fellowship

The Graduate School awards the Phelps-Stoke Graduate Fellowship for a scientific study of African-Americans' adjustment to American life. The award is given to graduate students in the areas of agricultural & applied economics, education (multiple programs), economics, history, political



science, public administration and policy, social work and sociology. Nominations are made by departments and schools.

Gwinn Henry Nixon Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide funds to a graduate of Augusta State University pursuing a graduate degree in the College of Arts and Sciences or in the School of Law at the University of Georgia. Nominations are made by Augusta State University. Selection is based on demonstrated academic excellence and character; need is a consideration, but not a requirement. Recipients of this award are known as Gwinn Henry Nixon Scholars.

Verizon/HopeLine Graduate Fellowship

The purpose of the Verizon/HopeLine Fellowship is to train the next generation of researchers dedicated to solving domestic violence, addressing areas such as spousal abuse, sexual assault, physical and sexual abuse of children and elder abuse. The recipient should have a commitment to a career in the area of domestic violence with the potential to make outstanding contributions to the field. Nominations are made by departments and schools.

► Information about current scholarships and fellowships: www.grad.uga.edu/financial/scholarships.html

Other Financial Assistance

The University of Georgia administers a number of programs for the purpose of providing loans to students with financial need. Included among these are: the Stafford Loan Program, the Perkins Loan Program and the Supplemental Loan Program. Short-term loans designed to meet emergencies are also available. For more funding information, please contact the Office of Financial Aid or the department to which you are applying.

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