

PhD External Funding

Students have access to a myriad of external funding opportunities to help support their graduate education and research here at Florida State University.

Below is a list of some of the funding sources available. Please read each entry carefully to determine eligibility and application requirements.

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<h2>August Deadlines</h2>	
<p><u>Autism Speaks: Dennis Weatherstone Predoctoral</u> Autism Speaks is pleased to announce the fifth year of the Dennis Weatherstone Predoctoral Fellowships. We invite applications from predoctoral students who aim to pursue careers in autism research.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please contact <u>Autism Speaks</u>
<p><u>SamSung Scholarships</u> The Samsung Scholarships is designed for Korean Nationals in the fields of Engineering, Science, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (Excluding Arts, Sports, MBA, Law, Medical programs and language courses).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Korean Nationals
<h2>September Deadlines</h2>	
<p><u>The PhRMA Foundation Fellowships</u> Pre doctoral and Post Doctoral Fellowships in multiple categories including Informatics, Health Outcomes, and Pharmacology/Toxicology and many more.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• US Citizens• US Permanent Residents
<p><u>The UNCF/Merck Foundation: Graduate Science Research Dissertation Fellowship</u> The United Negro College Fund and the Merck Company Foundation announce the availability of the UNCF•Merck Graduate Science Research Dissertation Fellowships. These fellowships are a component of the UNCF/Merck Science Initiative, the goal of which is to support the training and development of world-class African American biomedical scientists.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• African Americans• US Citizens• US Permanent Residents

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October Deadlines

<p><u>Dissertation Fellowship Program</u></p> <p>The Dissertation Fellowship Program seeks to encourage a new generation of scholars from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields to undertake research relevant to the improvement of education. These fellowships support individuals whose dissertations show potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world. Applicants must be candidates for the doctoral degree in any field of study at a graduate school. They need not be US citizens. Dissertation topics must concern education, and all pre-dissertation requirements must be completed by June 1 of the academic year prior to support.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents • International Students
<p><u>Jacob Javits Program, US Department of Education</u></p> <p>This program provides fellowships to students of superior academic ability—selected on the basis of demonstrated achievement, financial need, and exceptional promise—to undertake study at the doctoral and Master of Fine Arts level in selected fields of arts, humanities, and social sciences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation: Dissertation Grants in Women's Studies</u></p> <p>The Women’s Studies Fellowships are provided to Ph.D. candidates at institutions in the United States who will complete their dissertations during the fellowship year. The most competitive applications include not only a clear, thorough, and compelling description of the candidate’s work, but also evidence of an enduring interest in and commitment to women’s issues and scholarship on women.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please contact Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship

November Deadlines

<p><u>American Association of University Women: American Fellowships</u></p> <p>American Fellowships support women scholars who are completing dissertations, planning research leave from accredited institutions, or preparing research for publication. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Candidates are evaluated on the basis of scholarly excellence; quality and originality of project design; and active commitment to helping women and girls through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
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<p><u>Autism Science Foundation</u> ASF is inviting applications for Pre- and Post-doctoral Training Awards from graduate students, medical students and postdoctoral fellows interested in pursuing careers in basic and clinical research relevant to autism spectrum disorders. In the past four years, ASF has funded over \$1.1 million in pre- and post-doctoral grants.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please contact Autism Science Foundation
<p><u>Cosmos Scholars</u> The program provides grants to meet specific research needs not covered by other supporting funds, including but not limited to special supplies, travel, unanticipated expenses that would enhance the work, and the like. Specifically excluded are general financial support, tuition, and living expenses (except in connection with supported travel).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please Contact Cosmos
<p><u>Fannie and John Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship Program</u> Supports students in the physical sciences. Candidates may be seniors or students who have already begun graduate study. They must be US citizens or in the processing of acquiring permanent residency. The awards are for one academic year and are renewable. The award includes a stipend plus an allowance for tuition and other expenses.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Ford Foundation Fellowship</u> These fellowships are designed to increase the diversity of the nation's college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens
<p><u>National Consortium for Graduate Degrees For Minorities In Engineering and Science, Inc. (GEM)</u> GEM also offers mentoring workshops, graduate research orientation workshops, summer internships with a sponsoring company, and student development seminars. Level of support varies by fellowship program.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>National Science Foundation</u> Fellowships cover a wide variety of disciplines and are awarded for three years. US citizens or permanent residents only may apply.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>NSF East Asia And Pacific Summer Institutes (EAPSI)</u> NSF and selected foreign counterpart science and technology agencies sponsor international research institutes for U.S. graduate students in seven East Asia and Pacific locations at times set by the counterpart agencies between June and August each year. The Summer Institutes (EAPSI) operate similarly and the research visits to a particular location take place at the same time.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please contact EAPSI
<p><u>NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program</u> The National Science Foundation's Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) helps ensure the vitality of the human resource base of</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens

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<p>science and engineering in the United States and reinforces its diversity. The program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in NSF-supported science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees at accredited US institutions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans</u> The purpose of The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans is to provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished New Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. Fellowships offer support for up to two years in any academic discipline or professional field, and provide stipend and partial tuition. Applicants must be a senior in a bachelor's program or a first or second year graduate student, and have status as a "New American": the holder of a Green Card; a naturalized citizen; or the child of two naturalized citizen parents.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents

December Deadlines

<p><u>American Association of University Women: International Fellowships</u> International Fellowships are awarded for full-time study or research in the United States to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Both graduate and postgraduate studies at accredited U.S. institutions are supported. Applicants must have earned the equivalent of a U.S. bachelor's degree by September 30, 2013, and must have applied to their proposed institutions of study by the time of the application. Up to five fellowships are renewable for a second year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women • International Students
<p><u>National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship Program (NDSEG)</u> The NDSEG fellowship of the US Department of Defense is intended for students at or near the beginning of graduate study for doctoral degrees in mathematical, physical, biological and engineering sciences. Open to US citizens only, it is a three-year award with stipend plus full tuition and fees.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens
<p><u>Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Defense Education Program</u> Through this scholarship program, academically excellent students pursuing degrees in disciplines of particular interest to the Department of Defense receive funding for full tuition, related educational fees, and living expenses and are then placed in civilian laboratory positions upon graduation. The program is open to graduate and undergraduate students.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • Permanent Residents

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<h1>January Deadlines</h1>	
<p><u>American Psychological Association Predoctoral Fellowship in mental health and Substance abuse services (MHSAS)</u></p> <p>Predocctoral and postdoctoral fellowships in neuroscience are available for full-time students in nonclinical doctoral programs, or those who hold doctorates and are engaged in full-time postdoctoral training in neuroscience. Members of underrepresented ethnic-minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship Program</u></p> <p>This fellowship is for exceptional undergraduate seniors or first or second year graduate students planning full-time study toward a PhD in the physical, engineering, computer, mathematical, or life sciences with emphasis in high performance computing. Recipients receive full tuition and required fees for up to 4 years of study, a yearly stipend, matching funds for a computer workstation, yearly academic allowance, yearly conferences, and opportunity to complete a practicum at a national DOE laboratory. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent resident aliens.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration</u></p> <p>Fellowship supports graduate students planning full-time study for a PhD in areas of interest to stewardship science areas such as high-energy density physics, low-energy nuclear science, or properties of materials under extreme conditions. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent resident aliens. Benefits include yearly stipend, payment of all tuition and required fees for up to 4 years of study at any US university, and a yearly academic allowance for professional development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>The Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund Fellowship</u></p> <p>This is an external fellowship. Each graduate program may submit one nomination and accompanying application materials to the ODGE for consideration in the internal MIT competition for the Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund Fellowship. The ODGE will evaluate, select, and submit three applications for nomination to the Liebmann Trust on behalf of MIT. The fields of eligibility include any recognized field of study in the humanities, social sciences, or natural sciences (including law, medicine, engineering, architecture or other formal professional training).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens
<p><u>Glenn/AFAR Schloarships for Research in the Biology of Aging</u></p> <p>The program is designed to give students enrolled in MD, DO, PhD, or combined-degree programs the opportunity to conduct a three-to-six-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please contact AFAR

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<p>month research project focused on biomedical research in aging. The program aims to give students the chance to learn more about the field of aging research, as well as increase their understanding of the challenges involved in improving the quality of life for older people.</p>	
<p><u>Josephine de Karman Fellowship</u> Fellowships are available to students in any discipline entering their senior undergraduate year, or to any candidate for a PhD who has completed all requirements for that degree by January 31. Post doctoral students are not eligible for consideration. International students may apply if they are already enrolled in a university located in the United States and if they will be in the United States by July preceding the fall semester of the academic year for which they have enrolled. Grants include a stipend; they are for one academic year and may not be renewed or postponed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents • International Students
<p><u>My American Heart: Predoctoral Fellowship</u> To help students initiate careers in cardiovascular and stroke research by providing research assistance and training. Research broadly related to cardiovascular function and disease and stroke, or to related clinical, basic science, bioengineering or biotechnology, and public health problems, including multidisciplinary efforts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents • International Students
<h2 style="color: #FFD700;">March Deadlines</h2>	
<p><u>NASA Graduate Student Researchers Project</u> Training grants, plus a NASA internship, for one year; renewable for a total of three years. Students may apply at any time during their graduate career. An applicant must be sponsored by the department chair or faculty advisor.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens
<h2 style="color: #FFD700;">April Deadlines</h2>	
<p><u>Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) For Individual Predoctoral Fellowships</u> The purpose of the predoctoral fellowship (F31) award is to provide support for promising doctoral candidates who will be performing dissertation research and training in scientific health-related fields relevant to the missions of the participating NIH Institutes during the tenure of the award. The Kirschstein-NRSA for Individual Predoctoral Fellows will provide up to five years of support for research training which leads to the PhD or equivalent research degree, the combined MD/PhD degree, or another formally combined professional degree and research doctoral degree in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents

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<p><u>Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA) for Individual Predoctoral Fellowships to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (F31)</u></p> <p>This program encourages students from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, individuals with disabilities, and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds to seek research doctoral degrees in the biomedical and behavioral sciences to help increase the number of well-trained scientists from underrepresented groups. The fellowship provides up to 5 years of support for research training leading to the Ph.D. or equivalent research degree, the combined M.D./Ph.D. degree, or other combined degrees in the biomedical or behavioral sciences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Underrepresented Minorities in Science • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents

May Deadlines

<p><u>Donald B. Lindsley Prize in Behavioral Neuroscience</u></p> <p>The Donald B. Lindsley Prize in Behavioral Neuroscience, supported by The Grass Foundation, recognizes a young neuroscientist's outstanding PhD thesis in the general area of behavioral neuroscience. Behavioral neuroscience is defined for these purposes as neuroscience research involving behavioral variables or oriented toward the solution of behavioral problems.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Peter and Patricia Gruber International Research Award</u></p> <p>The Peter and Patricia Gruber International Research Award, supported by The Gruber Foundation, recognizes two young neuroscientists for outstanding research and educational pursuit in an international setting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>Nemko Prize in Cellular or Molecular Neuroscience</u></p> <p>The Nemko Prize in Cellular or Molecular Neuroscience, supported by The Nemko Family, recognizes a young neuroscientist's outstanding PhD thesis advancing understanding of molecular, genetic, or cellular mechanisms underlying brain function, including higher function and cognition.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents
<p><u>American Society for Microbiology: Robert D. Watkins Graduate Research Fellowship</u></p> <p>The goal of the fellowship is to increase the number of underrepresented groups completing doctoral degrees in the microbiological sciences. The ASM Robert D. Watkins Graduate Research Fellowship is aimed at highly competitive graduate students who are enrolled in a Ph.D. program and who have completed their graduate course work in the microbiological sciences. The fellowship encourages students to continue and complete their research project in the microbiological sciences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Citizens • US Permanent Residents