

**GRADUATE STUDENTS –
FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE!
University Fellowship 2017-2018**

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIPS

Departmental nominations are now being sought for University Fellowships for the 2017-2018 academic year. These fellowships, administered by the Graduate School, are intended to provide support to expedite the progress of superior students toward their (nondoctoral) graduate degrees.

Budget permitting, there will be six awards, each carrying a stipend of \$9,000, plus a partial tuition waiver. The tuition waiver covers \$357 per credit hour up to a maximum of 9 hours in each of the Fall and Spring semesters and up to 6 hours in the Summer term, but it does not cover the costs of international courses. With the consent of the student's major department, a fellowship recipient may hold a half-time (10 hr/wk) graduate assistantship concurrently with the fellowship.

The University Fellowship Committee will meet in February to select the fellowship recipients.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must be unconditionally admitted to the Graduate School. If the nominee is not admitted at the time of nomination, admission must be achieved no later than June 1, 2017. These awards are available to students in any master's or "sixth-year" (Ed.S., M.F.A., or Performer's Certificate) program who are pursuing their first graduate degree, but not to Ph.D. or Ed.D. students; Au.D. and D.P.T. students are eligible. Fellowship recipients are expected to enroll full-time (9 hours per semester) during the fellowship year.

A student may receive a University Fellowship for no more than one year.

APPLICATION/NOMINATION PROCESS

The first step requires you to **submit an application to the department along with a copy of your CV/resume**. Copies of the application form have been distributed to departments. Departments must review student applications and select their nominations to meet a Graduate School deadline of **February 10, 2017**. Therefore, departments must set an earlier deadline for student applications to be submitted to the chair, graduate coordinator, or graduate committee. *Be sure to contact your department office for any such departmental deadline you must meet.* Each department may then forward to the Graduate School nominations for up to three students.

Questions?

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