Distinguished Graduate Fellowships
Coordinated by the OSU Graduate College

The Distinguished Graduate Fellowships (DGFs) recognize outstanding, full-time OSU graduate students from any disciplinary or interdisciplinary program. New and continuing graduate students enrolled full-time are eligible for DGF consideration. A DGF carries a $2,500 annual award and may be renewed for two additional years with appropriate graduate program progress.

For the general DGF awards selected by the Graduate College, preference will be given to graduate student nominations from programs with up-to-date graduate program handbooks. As a service to graduate programs, a handbook template (not all sections will be relevant to all programs) is available on the D2L Brightspace Graduate Faculty website: https://online.okstate.edu/d2l/home.

Entering and current graduate students must be nominated by their academic unit. This is a limited submission; therefore, only one nomination per academic unit is permitted. Graduate programs must initiate applications – nominations submitted directly from entering or current students will not be considered.

The criteria for selection include the following:
- graduate cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above;
- evidence of (inter)disciplinary creative activities or scholarly contributions, including awards, honors, research projects, publications, presentations at professional meetings, performances, creative writings, leadership activities, etc.;
- student cannot be a previous or simultaneous DGF recipient; and
- student cannot be graduating in the upcoming summer session.

Nominations must be submitted electronically as a single pdf by 5:00 pm, Monday, March 5, 2018, to grad.dean@okstate.edu. The following materials are to be included in the order listed:
- cover page (student name, CWID, program of study, and faculty advisor’s name, if known);
- two, brief letters of nomination: preferably one from department/unit/school head, program director or graduate program coordinator and one from the dissertation/thesis advisor (current students) or an application letter of recommendation (for entering students);
- resume or vita;
- transcript(s) of all graduate credit (these do not have to be official); and
- certification statement by the graduate program coordinator or unit head that the current graduate program handbook is up-to-date. Please provide a link to the current handbook with the certification. The Graduate College reviews handbooks for alignment with current policies and best practices as a service to graduate programs. If you would like your handbook reviewed, please provide an electronic copy to grad.dean@okstate.edu. Contact Dr. Jean Van Delinder with handbook questions.

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