

## Individual Fellowship Award Program

The GSBS Immunology Program has established an award program to encourage PhD students to apply for nationally competitive individual fellowships. This program will provide students with a \$250 award for those who successfully submit a fellowship application and an additional \$1250 award for those who are successfully funded. Although GSBS students have received fellowships from a variety of programs including the NIH NRSA, NSF GRFP, and the American Heart Association, many graduate students who are eligible and competitive for fellowships do not apply. The goals of this new award program are to engage more students in the fellowship application process and create an environment that encourages more graduate students to apply to external fellowship programs.

### Eligibility:

Students can apply for the fellowship award once per academic year.

To qualify for the \$250 fellowship submission award, you must:

- Be a full-time PhD or MD/PhD student in good academic standing.
- Have at least one Individual Fellowship consultation with the Fellowship Navigator Office.
- Develop and submit a fellowship application to an external funding agency for an award that provides support for at least half of the student's stipend and tuition and fees.

To qualify for the \$1250 fellowship recipient award, you must:

- Satisfy all requirements of the fellowship application award.
- Receive notice of award from funding agency indicating that your application has been approved for funding.

### Eligible Fellowship Programs

- NIH Individual Predoctoral NRSA - F30, F31, F31-Diversity
- NIH Dissertation Research Award - R36
- NSF - Graduate Research Fellowship
- National Institute of Justice - Graduate Research Fellowship
- Department of Defense - NDSEG and SMART Programs
- The Ford Foundation - Predoctoral and Dissertation Fellowships
- The Hertz Foundation - Graduate Fellowship Award
- American Association of University Women - Dissertation and International Fellowships
- American Heart Association - Predoctoral Fellowship
- American Lung Association - Lung Health Dissertation Grant

Other Awards will be considered with advance approval.

More information about each opportunity, including citizenship restrictions, can be found on the GSBS External Funding Opportunities Page: <https://gsbs.uth.edu/current-students/training-grants-and-fellowships/external-funding-opportunities.htm>

**Application:**

Fellowship Submission Award (\$250): [Apply Here](#)

Fellowship Recipient Award (\$1250): [Apply Here](#)

The following documents will be required for submission.

**\$250 Fellowship Application Award**

- Letter of support from the student's mentor verifying that they have reviewed the student's application and that they believe it is competitive.
- Documentation that the fellowship award is greater than half of student's current base stipend and tuition and fees.
- An electronic copy of the final fellowship application.
- Verification of receipt of the application from the funding agency.

**\$1250 Fellowship Recipient Award**

- An electronic copy of the final fellowship application.
- Application review statement.
- Notice of Award from funding agency indicating duration of award and level of support.

**Exceptions:**

Applications for appointments to an institutional training grant are not eligible for this program. Any internal UTHealth, MD Anderson, or GSBS fellowships/scholarships do not qualify for this program. Students must have primary affiliation with the Immunology Program to be eligible.

For more information on eligibility or to schedule your Individual Fellowship consultation with the Fellowship Navigator Office, please contact the Immunology Program Directors.