

Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award

The GSBS Neuroscience Program has established the Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award program to recognize graduate students for exceptional research accomplishments. Awards will be made annually to two deserving neuroscience program students. One award for \$1000 will be made to a pre-candidacy PhD or Masters student and another award for \$2000 will be made to a post-candidacy PhD student. The final award amounts may vary.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award, Neuroscience program students must meet the following requirements to qualify for nomination:

- Have a primary affiliation in the Neuroscience program
- Be in good academic standing, i.e. current on committee meetings
- Presented a talk or poster at the symposium, WIP or retreat within one calendar year of being nominated
- Have not received the award within two years of the current award period (this does not apply for 2025 or include the NRC Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences)
- Must be nominated 6 months prior to thesis defense

Criteria

To be nominated for the Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award, the student's research mentor must provide a detailed explanation of the following and a copy of the student's CV (1800 words or less):

- Significance and impact of the student's research contributions
- Novelty and originality of the student's work
- The student's level of contribution or execution

Nomination Process

Nominations for the Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award must be submitted by the student's mentor between January 1- January 31. Applications will be sent to the Neuroscience Steering Committee by February 15

for review and awardees will be notified by March 15. Mentors are allowed to nominate ONE student from their lab. Mentors can click [here](#) to complete the Research Excellence Award Nominee Submission Form.

Award Process

All nominations for the Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award will be reviewed and approved by the faculty on the Neuroscience Steering Committee. The committee will review submissions and select two award recipients based on the criteria listed above. The Dee S. and Patricia Osborne Endowed Scholarship in the Neurosciences Research Excellence Award recipients will be announced and awarded during the annual program retreat and will be expected to give a short talk.

For more information on the Research Excellence Award, please contact Program Manager, Amanda.J.Williamson@uth.tmc.edu.