

# DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Doctoral fellows not only provide a service to the institution but also gain valuable experience through their special association with the faculty. Doctoral fellows are assigned to a research, teaching, or other appropriate work experience that is related to their academic program.

Normally, the doctoral fellow receives an appointment for a period of one calendar year beginning with the fall semester. To remain eligible for a fellowship, fellows must discharge their duties satisfactorily and maintain good academic standing in their coursework. Good academic standing for graduate students is a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in graduate-level courses.

Doctoral fellows will typically be awarded a Graduate College Premier Scholarship.

## Graduate College Premiere Scholarship

Graduate College Premiere Scholarship is typically provided for 36.0 semester hours

The Graduate College Premiere Scholarship 36.0 provides:

- Up to 36sh of instructional fees during the combined fall and spring semesters and up to 12sh for the summer term (for graduate courses required to complete a single degree program) Note: Summer scholarships require renewal of the scholarship.
- Nonresident tuition surcharge
- Music performance fees (if applicable)

Criteria for Initial Award:

- Acceptance for regular admission to the College of Graduate Studies (Exceptions may be granted by the graduate dean)
- Cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Recommendation by the appropriate academic dean
- Approval by the dean of graduate studies

To Maintain the Scholarship:

- Student must remain in good standing
- Student must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0-point scale for all graduate coursework
- Student must maintain enrollment of at least 18 semester hours of degree-credit coursework for the academic year and no fewer than 9 semester hours in each of the fall and spring semesters (Exceptions may be granted by the graduate dean)
- Making good progress towards degree completion, as determined by the department chair

Notes:

- Awards are subject to availability of funds
- This compensation may be subject to taxation
- Typically, the initial scholarship will cover Fall and Spring terms and the renewal of scholarship will include Summer, Fall and Spring.

Failure to meet any of the criteria to maintain this scholarship will result in termination of the scholarship.

Graduate assistants who have been admitted with undergraduate course deficiencies will make up course deficiencies by taking the appropriate courses at their own expense.

Further information regarding assistantship stipends and scholarships is available at The College of Graduate Studies Assistantship and Fellowship

website (<http://cms.ysu.edu/college-graduate-studies/assistantships-fellowships>).

## Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering Fellowship

The appointee to the Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering Doctoral Fellowship is expected to devote a minimum of twenty hours per week to fellowship duties.

Doctoral fellows are required to be full-time graduate students as defined in the *Graduate Catalog*. Prior approval to carry more than twelve credit hours or fewer than nine credit hours in any one semester must be obtained from the department concerned and the dean of the College of Graduate Studies. When determining minimum course hours, degree credit coursework will include whatever courses are stipulated by the Ph.D. program coordinator to fulfill the requirements for the degree program.

Institutionally funded first-year doctoral fellowships carry a stipend of \$23,500 for one calendar year. Continuing Ph.D. students, and those funded from external grants, may be awarded at a higher level, dependent upon the recommendation of the advisor, approval of the STEM dean, and availability of funds.

## Ed.D. Fellowship

The Ed.D. Fellowship in Educational Leadership is awarded to outstanding doctoral students contributing and studying in the area of education. The Ed.D. Fellowship provides recipients with an academic year service appointment with the expectation of a minimum of twenty hours per week devoted to fellowship duties. Normally, one fellowship is awarded per year.

Criteria:

- Full-time doctoral status
- Admitted to candidacy by date of application
- Outstanding scholarship
- Minimum 3.0 GPA

Doctoral fellows are required to be full-time graduate students as defined in the *Graduate Catalog*. Prior approval to carry more than twelve credit hours or fewer than nine credit hours in any one semester must be obtained from the department chair of EFRTL and the dean of the College of Graduate Studies. When determining minimum course hours, degree credit coursework will include whatever courses are stipulated by the Ed.D. program coordinator to fulfill the requirements for the degree program.

Award:

The recipient will receive a fellowship stipend for the academic year in the amount of \$10,000. The recipient will also be awarded the Graduate College Premiere Scholarship for 20 s.h. Recipient must meet requirements to maintain the scholarship and stipend.

Application and Selection Processes:

Submit letter of interest and letter of recommendation by April 30 for consideration for the following year. Along with a completed application (including scholarship statement), students are required to submit a CV/ resume, and a letter of recommendation from a current Youngstown State University faculty member. All materials must be received by the deadline.

Applications are reviewed by a committee comprised of faculty representing various ranks and disciplines. Recipients are selected by the Department Chair of Educational Foundations, Research, Technology and Leadership.

For further information on the Ed.D. Fellowship please contact Chuck Vergon at (330) 941-1574.