

GRADUATE COLLEGE

Graduate Awards and Fellowships

Graduate Dean's Award (GDA)

The GDA seeks to enhance KSU's recruitment of academically excellent incoming students with diverse backgrounds.

Award and Eligibility:

\$5,000 distributed over two academic years (four consecutive semesters \$1,250 per semester).

- An applicant to a master's or doctoral degree program;
- A U.S. citizen (or national) or a permanent resident of the U.S.; and
- A member of an underrepresented group in their discipline (e.g., women in traditionally male-dominated disciplines, McNair Scholars, individuals with disabilities, ethnic/racial minorities).
- Full-time enrollment required.

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/gda>

Graduate Dean's Travel Award (GDTA)

The GDTA assists applicants with the costs of travel to Kent for campus interviews and visits; this award seeks to enhance Kent State University's recruitment of academically excellent students with diverse backgrounds.

Award and Eligibility:

GDTA's are offered at two levels (\$400 and \$200), depending on cost of travel.

- An applicant to a master's or doctoral degree program;
- A U.S. citizen (or national) or a permanent resident of the U.S.; and
- A member of an underrepresented group in their discipline (e.g., women in traditionally male-dominated disciplines, McNair Scholars, individuals with disabilities, ethnic/racial minorities).

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/gdta>

David B. Smith Scholarship

The David B. Smith Scholarship is presented annually to recognize exceptional scholarship and teaching.

Award and Eligibility:

Recipients receive a \$500 monetary award.

- Must be a currently enrolled graduate degree-seeking student.
- Minimum graduate GPA of 3.5; full-time enrollment required.

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/smith-award>

Mary Ann Stephens and John R. Graham Award

The Mary Ann Stephens and John R. Graham Award for Excellence in Graduate Research and Scholarship is presented annually to a doctoral student underrepresented in their discipline.

Award and Eligibility:

Recipients receive a \$500 monetary award.

- Must be a currently enrolled full-time doctoral student.
- U.S. citizen (or national) or a permanent resident of the U.S.
- From a group that is considered underrepresented (e.g., women in traditionally male-dominated disciplines, individuals with disabilities, and ethnic/racial minorities).
- Preference given to graduate students pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy degree from STEM disciplines (as defined by the National Science Foundation).

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/mary-ann-stephens-and-john-r-graham-award>

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Lillian Friedman Scholarship

The Lillian Friedman Scholarship is presented to recognize an outstanding graduate student contributing to the area of mental health.

Award and Eligibility:

Recipients receive a \$1,000 monetary award.

- Must be a currently enrolled graduate degree-seeking student.
- Thesis or dissertation research in progress.
- Studying a significant topic in mental health.
- Minimum graduate GPA of 3.5.

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/friedman-award>

Reuter Fellowship in Developmental Sciences

The Reuter Fellowship provides recipients with an academic year non-service appointment to allow for full-time work on the dissertation.

Award and Eligibility:

Recipients receive a non-service fellowship appointment for the academic year in the amount of \$12,000.

- Must be a currently enrolled full-time doctoral student.
- Admitted to candidacy by date of application.
- Enrollment in Dissertation I or II.
- Study on a topic directly bearing on human development.
- Minimum graduate GPA of 3.5.

More details and application instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/reuter-fellowship>

University Fellowship

The University Fellowship is awarded annually to advanced doctoral students to recognize excellent scholarship and research potential.

Award and Eligibility:

University Fellowship recipients receive a doctoral level service appointment for Fall semester (from department) and a non-service University Fellowship appointment for Spring semester (from the Graduate College).

- Full-time doctoral status.
- Admitted to candidacy by date of nomination.
- Enrollment in Dissertation II during Fall and Spring semesters of the fellowship year.
- Outstanding scholarship and research potential.

Nominations and Selections:

- Students must be nominated by their program/department. Graduate coordinators should submit all nominations to the Graduate College.
- Nomination window will open the first week in January & are due by midnight on **February 15**.
- All nominees are reviewed by a committee comprised of faculty representing various ranks and disciplines. Recipients are selected by the Dean of the Graduate College.

More details and nomination instructions can be found at <https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/university-fellowship>

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