UW Fellowships

Quick link: For all funding opportunities, please check our Funding page.

Bonderman Travel Fellowship

The Bonderman Travel Fellowships are created through a generous gift from David Bonderman, who earned his undergraduate degree in Russian from the University of Washington in 1963. The Bonderman Travel Fellowship program offers graduate students (including those in the Law and Business schools) and undergraduate students in the University Honors Program an opportunity to engage in independent exploration and travel abroad. The Fellowship enables recipients to extend their experiences and expand their cultural horizons by exploring different parts of the world.

UW Graduate School Fellowships

The Graduate School Office of Fellowships and Assistantships also maintains information on university and nationwide graduate fellowships, as well as resources for finding outside funding sources. They also maintain a Hot List of links to funding information and resources for graduate students.

Student Travel Awards

Graduate student travel awards are offered by the Graduate School and are available to assist graduate students with travel fares to conferences or other professional meetings to present a paper or serve as an invited speaker. Funds may be used for airfare or fares supporting alternative modes of transportation. Individual awards are limited to one per fiscal year. Priority will be given to Ph.D. and research Master’s students. Maximum award amounts are:

- $300 domestic
- $500 international

A restricted amount of funding is available each fiscal quarter to support graduate student travel within the quarter. Funding will be approved on a first-come-first-served basis with adjustments to maintain equity in the process.

Application Procedures

Recommendations for awards must be made to the Chair by a NELC faculty member. Requests may be submitted at any time for any date during the fiscal year but must include the student’s name, student ID number, date, and purpose of travel. Approved applications will then be submitted to the Graduate School for approval and award.

Graduate School Supplemental Fellowships

Some supplemental fellowships are available through the Graduate School for incoming graduate students who are recipients of
prestigious fellowships (e.g., the Mellon Fellowship). Contact the Graduate School directly for information.

Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund for Graduate Students

Dolores Liebmann supported students and charitable organizations in her lifetime and created a fund to continue support after her death. The “Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund” supports graduate students who show “outstanding character and ability who hold promise for achievement and distinction in their chosen fields of study.” The University of Washington is one of the institutions selected to submit three nominees for this national fellowship.

Fritz Undergraduate Scholarship for Study Abroad

Supports international study or research by UW undergraduate students in the social sciences and humanities. Visit the Fritz Scholarship page for more information.

Fritz/Boeing Graduate Fellowships for International Research and Study

These one-quarter grants provide support to UW graduate students doing international research or study. Visit the International Research and Study fellowship page for more information.

Global Opportunities Scholarship

The Global Opportunities Scholarships for Study Abroad increases the access to international learning opportunities for Washington state resident students with significant financial need. Applications are reviewed and funds are awarded each quarter.

Graduate Opportunities & Minority Achievement Program (GO-MAP)

The Graduate Opportunities & Minority Achievement Program (GO-MAP), a division of The Graduate School, works to promote greater access to advanced studies for students of color and traditionally underrepresented groups. GO-MAP exists to maintain a diverse graduate student community and to enhance the quality of the graduate experience for all students. GO-MAP provides leadership in recruitment and retention of ethnic minority and underrepresented students.

Graduate and Professional Student Senate Travel Grants

Any graduate or professional student attending the University of Washington Seattle campus is eligible to apply for up to $250 in travel grants. The funds can be used for traveling to an academic or professional conference that relates to a student’s area of study.
The University of Washington has a long history of providing access to all citizens of the State of Washington regardless of their economic means. The University is committed to ensuring that low and lower middle-income students can afford to choose the UW.

To ensure the UW remains affordable, the Husky Promise guarantees that full tuition will be covered by grant or scholarship support if you are a low- or lower middle-income student and a Washington resident. These grants and scholarships do not have to be repaid. If you qualify for the Husky Promise you can be assured that if tuition increases, the University of Washington has you covered!

Ilse D. Cirtautas Fellowship
This fellowship is for undergraduate or graduate students from any UW program who are studying Central Asia or who have lived in Central Asia. It provides up to $1,000 for travel to Central Asia or to attend a conference to present on the region. Applicants should submit an unofficial transcript, one (1) letter of recommendation, and a statement of purpose explaining how the funds will be used and how the fellowship will support academic pursuits. For more information on this fellowship, and the application process involved, please visit the Jackson School's Scholarships page.

Jackson School of International Studies
The Jackson School offers a number of Fellowships and Teaching Assistantships to graduate students from all areas. Many of our graduate students have been successful in obtaining Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowships from the Jackson School.

Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS)
Fellowships for U.S. citizens or permanent residents who are students of Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, Turkish and/or Uzbek. Please note: The application required for this fellowship must be obtained from the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, Student Services Office, Box 353650, 303 Thomson, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98195-3650.

Office of Merit Scholarship Fellowships & Awards
The Office of Merit Scholarship Fellowships & Awards provides the University of Washington undergraduates with information about local and national merit-based scholarships, fellowships, and grants, including the Rhodes, Marshall, Fulbright, and the Mary Gates Endowment. They help prepare UW students to compete for nationally competitive, merit-based scholarships, and awards. They also publicize major opportunities, select the university's nominees, and provide intensive advising to candidates.

Office of Student Financial Aid
The Office of Student Financial Aid provides students with both financial aid and a number of need-based and academic scholarships. Please keep in mind their **February 28 Priority Filing Deadline** for the following academic year.

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