Graduate Fellowships
Graduate Fellow Facts

• Graduate Fellowship appointments are not employment, although have many of the benefits of a GRA/GTA appointment

• In addition to meeting the criteria in Graduate Fellow Defined, Fellowship appointments at OSU must include a full tuition waiver during any academic term of appointment

• Academic year waivers can be provided by the Graduate School for qualified funding sources subject to budget availability
  • Check with Graduate School first, and check each year of the fellowship before offering

• Tuition Waivers are scholarships, not remission like GTAs
  • Any costs above 12-credits must come from another funding source (cost of education in grant for example)
  • Beginning fall 2014, fellowship tuition will be charged at in-state rates, regardless of residency
Types of Fellowships

• Institutional
  - **Foundation** funds dedicated to fellowships
  - Must be an endowment (not general use or unrestricted)

• External
  • **Training** Grants
    ▪ Awarded to institution/faculty - students appointed
      ▪ NSF-IGERT, NIH
  • Individual Grants (aka Pre-doctoral)
    ▪ Awarded to students/individuals – portable
      ▪ NSF-GRFP, EPA-STAR

• Fellowships at OSU that are not OSU Graduate Fellow appointments
Graduate Fellow Appointment Process

• Form and instructions on the OSCAR website: http://oscar/Public/Recruit.aspx
  • Instructions document (“i” at left of form link) explains all the requirements for the appointment – what to do and when
  • Everything is done before you complete the form – it is simply a check off sheet, a means to pull together all information and required documents (such as the Graduate Fellow Offer Letter) for purposes of approvals and Banner entry
  • MUST have all required signatures

Please note: for new fellowships or if you have any questions about continuing fellowships – or if you simply have any questions at all about fellowships – contact the Graduate School (section II) or (section III) before you send an offer to the student or prepare any paperwork.
Helpful Links

- Graduate School Funding Policies
  - http://gradschool.oregonstate.edu/finance/funding-policies

- External Fellowships
  - http://fa.oregonstate.edu/business-affairs/external-fellowships
Q&A