

## Graduate Dean's Diversity Supplement Program

### INITIAL NOMINATIONS DUE FEB 28, 2022

The Graduate School is seeking nominations for the Graduate Dean's Diversity Supplement Program sponsored by the Graduate School. Current full-time doctoral students in good academic standing are invited to apply and submit a proposal for the award. Faculty and directors of graduate studies can also nominate a student. In addition to the criteria above, the student must be currently supported with department/program funding i.e., those supported in full by scholarships (stipend, health insurance, tuition) from GTA lines, grants, departmental endowments, or other program funding.

Students awarded a Graduate Dean's Diversity Supplement receive a professional development award of \$1000 to be used by the student for professional development purposes. The supplement will be awarded in two \$500 installments (one in the Fall semester, one in Spring), and may be used for research needs, conference travel/registration, and related expenses. The supplement is initially a one-time award; however, students may apply a second time in subsequent years.

The program prioritizes awards to students whose research or other professional development contributes to or is centered on diversity and inclusion as described by the [Cardinal Principles](#).

The application can be [submitted online](#). Full consideration will be extended to those who complete the online application and provide a full proposal including:

- Full student name
- Student university email address
- Project title
- Brief abstract of your request (one paragraph is sufficient) indicating how the student currently adds to the diversity of the department/program or how the student plans to use the funds to add to the diversity of the department/program
- A proposed budget indicating how all funds will be spent including a timeline of the research project, conference attendance, etc.
- Sponsoring faculty member name
- Sponsoring faculty member email
- Letter of support from sponsoring faculty member, PI, chair or mentor

Benefits to students:

- \$1000 supplemental stipend from the Graduate School
- Professional development opportunity
- Presentation/research experience
- Cohort & Graduate School staff support

In addition to receiving the supplement, students will be required to present their research at the annual [Graduate Student Research Conference](#) which is usually held in the spring (March) either the year they receive the award, or no later than the following year. If funds were used for professional development such conference/symposium attendance, etc. students will be required to give a brief presentation on that learning experience to members of the Graduate School staff which may include faculty, staff and peers across campus.