

The Adam W. Herbert Graduate Fellowship

The Adam W. Herbert Graduate Fellowship was created through an endowment from the President's Fund for the purpose of supporting graduate study at Indiana University for graduates of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). This endowment reflects the strong commitment of Indiana University's 17th President, Adam W. Herbert, for enhancing opportunities for underrepresented students and increasing diversity of the graduate student body, especially in the fields of science, technology and mathematics.

The fellowship will be awarded each year to students who demonstrate strong academic excellence, high potential for success, and a commitment to the graduate study in the sciences. It is anticipated that up to five (5) multi-year fellowships for doctoral students and three (3) single year fellowships for masters students will be supported each year.

General eligibility criteria:

1. Nominees must be graduates of an HBCU (for a list, see <http://www.ed.gov/about/inits/list/whhbcu/edlite-list.html>) and a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. International students are not eligible.
2. Nominees must be **new students** proposing to enter a **PhD or masters** program in a science, technology or mathematics discipline. Current IU graduate students are only eligible if they are newly transferring into a PhD or master's program.
3. Nominees should have outstanding academic backgrounds and excellent chances of obtaining their doctoral or masters degree. An **undergraduate GPA of at least 3.5** is strongly recommended, but post-baccalaureate coursework and other relevant experience will also be recognized.
4. **Students must be nominated by their departments/schools.** In nominating the student, the department agrees to support and to train that student, and to encourage the student's participation in campus-wide mentoring activities, as appropriate. Departments must also agree to ensure that graduate scholarship recipients do not accept other graduate scholarships or employment during the period of funding, and to submit an annual progress report on behalf of the student.
5. The Fellowship is a stipend only. **The nominating department agrees to provide tuition and subsidized health insurance.**

Nomination Process: An application must consist of the following:

- Completed nomination form;
- Supporting statement from the nominating department
- Complete copy of IU application for admission, including:
 - Personal statement from the candidate (no longer than two (2) pages in length);
 - Two (2) letters of recommendation;
 - Transcripts;
 - Official GRE test scores
- Curriculum vita/résumé.

Award Value: PhD Fellowships are four (4)-year stipend awards of **\$25,000** per year. Masters fellowships are single year awards of **\$5,000**.

Deadline: Application packages must arrive at The University Graduate School by **February 8, 2008**.

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- 1) Name and Title of Nominator: _____
- 2) Nominator's Campus Address, Phone Number, and Email Address:

- 3) Student's Name: _____ IU ID Number (if applicable): _____
- 4) DOB: _____
- 5) Student's Mailing Address: _____
- 6) Student's Undergraduate Institution: _____
- 7) Student's Proposed Major/Department: _____
- 8) Student's Email: _____
- 9) IU Campus: _____

Please mark the student's status:

A) Doctoral applicant: _____ B) Masters applicant: _____ C) Current student: _____

Date student will begin graduate studies at Indiana University:

Month: _____ Year: _____

Include the following:

- Letter of nomination from the department and brief supporting statement, explaining:
 - why this candidate is outstanding;
 - how well matched the candidate's interests are to the strengths of the department;
 - the likelihood the candidate will choose IU over competing offers;
 - **assurance that the department will provide tuition and fees.**
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 - Two (2) letters of recommendation;
 - Transcripts;
 - Official GRE test scores
- Student's curriculum vita/résumé.

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