



The Graduate School Presidential Distinguished Research Fellowship

Name: _____ Student ID _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Email: _____ Gender: _____

UTSA Graduate Program/Department: _____

Graduate GPA: _____ Student Semester Start Date: _____

APPLICANT'S OVERALL SCHOLARLY/SCIENTIFIC ABILITY:

When compared with other doctoral applicants you have selected, please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement of this applicant for The Graduate School Presidential Distinguished Research Fellowship below:

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Outstanding (Top 5%) | Excellent (Top 10%) | Very Good (Top 25%) | Satisfactory (Top 50%) | Below Average (Lower 50%) | No Basis for Judgment |

Faculty/Department Chair Approvals

As a tenure/tenure-- track faculty member of The University of Texas at San Antonio, I endorse this nomination:

Name (Last, First Middle/Maiden): _____

College: _____ Department: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Optional: Co-- nomination Tenure/Tenure-- track faculty

Name (Last, First Middle/Maiden): _____

College: _____ Department: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Approved by:

Department Chair (signature): _____

Associate Dean (signature): _____

The *Graduate School Presidential Distinguished Research Fellowship* allows departments/colleges to nominate doctoral students for four years of funding.

Student Eligibility Requirements:

- Students seeking a doctoral degree in one of the following areas of research:
 1. Advanced Materials
 2. Integrated Biomedicine (Human Immunology and Infectious Diseases, Neurosciences, and Regenerative and Molecular Medicine)
 3. Cyber, Cloud, Computing and Data Analytics
 4. Social and Educational Transformation
 5. Community Sustainability and Critical Infrastructure
- Student will have to remain enrolled for at least 9 hours per long semester
- Student is receiving departmental funding support at the full standard rate and the department commits to cost share (50% or \$5,000) for the fellowship for years 2-4 of each PDRF supported student.

Nomination Faculty Requirements:

- T/TT UTSA faculty members from their perspective college/department may nominate a doctoral program applicant whose academic merits may lead to success in a doctoral program
- Nomination must receive approval from the College Associate Dean for Graduate Studies
- Nomination packet must be completed, signed, and forwarded to Associate Dean for approval
- Final Associate Dean Approved nomination packets must be submitted to the Graduate School
- Nominations packets will not be accepted for review after deadline
- Only faculty nominations are accepted
- See application guidelines for documents to include as part of the nomination packet

Nominating Deadlines:

- Spring: March 21, 2016

Graduate School Nomination Process:

- Nomination packet to be reviewed and evaluated by a recognized University committee for approval based on set approved criteria
- Recipients and faculty nominators will receive award decisions from The Graduate School
- Selected recipients will be required to fill out and submit The Graduate School Presidential Distinguished Research Fellowship acceptance/denial form to The Graduate School by the specified deadline