

Mississippi Space Grant Consortium

Graduate Research Fellowships

The Mississippi Space Grant Consortium (MSSGC) consists of seventeen Mississippi Space Grant Colleges and Universities: Alcorn State University, Coahoma Community College, Delta State University, Hinds Community College, Itawamba Community College, Jackson State University, Jones County Junior College, Meridian Community College, Mississippi Delta Community College, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Mississippi State University, Mississippi University for Women, Mississippi Valley State University, Northeast Mississippi Community College, Pearl River Community College, University of Mississippi, and University of Southern Mississippi.

A major goal of the MSSGC is to help produce the engineers and scientists of the future. While opportunities for careers in STEM fields have expanded, the number of talented students pursuing degrees in mathematics, engineering, and the sciences has been declining. To encourage talented individuals to pursue STEM fields of study, the MSSGC established the Graduate Research Fellowship Awards.

Fellowship Awards

Fellowships are \$22,500 add-on awards, designed to supplement and enhance basic graduate research support, such as graduate research assistantships, graduate teaching assistantships, and non-federal scholarships and fellowships. Awards are renewable up to a total of three years for students making satisfactory research, academic progress, and K-12 outreach. Awardees will be required to certify through their academic department that basic research support is being provided before funds are released.

Application Submission

Please email fully completed applications to nmurray@olemiss.edu. Application should include: 1) Application; 2) Research Description; 3) Letter of Recommendation; 4) Resume and 5) Transcript

Download the full application packet from msspacegrant.org/#fellowships

Eligibility

The Fellowship program is open to graduate students who are U.S. citizens and will be enrolled in a program of full-time study at one of the MSSGC universities. Students may apply prior to entering or anytime during their graduate program. Eligibility is not limited to science and engineering majors. Any field of study that includes coursework related to research or interest to NASA is eligible.

Successful scholarship recipients are expected to have a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Priority for fellowship awards will be given to those who do not receive other federal fellowships such as NASA Graduate Student Research Program Fellowships, National Science Foundation Fellowships, etc. Since an important purpose of this program is to increase the participation of underrepresented minorities, females, and persons with disabilities in aerospace-related careers, the MSSGC especially encourages applications from these students.

Application deadline: March 8, 2021

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