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# Graduate Research Fellowships

The Mississippi Space Grant Consortium (MSSGC) consists of sixteen Mississippi Space Grant Colleges and Universities: Alcorn State University, Coahoma Community College, Delta State University, Hinds Community College, Itawamba Community College, Jackson State University, 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 have been declining. To encourage talented individuals to pursue STEM fields of study, the MSSGC established the Graduate Research Fellowship Awards.

## Fellowship Awards

Fellowships are \$17,000 for one year. Awards are renewable up to a total of three years for students making satisfactory research and academic progress, and participating in the Fellowship education program.

## Application Submission

Application package should include: 1) Application; 2) Description of Proposed Research; 3) Plan of Study; 4) Letter of Recommendation; 5) Student Resume and 6) Transcript

## 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 limited to students pursuing advanced degrees in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields with research of potential interest to NASA.

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: 3/6/2009**

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