The College of Arts and Sciences is committed to providing our graduate students with all of the tools needed to build a strong foundation for success — intellectually and professionally.

Our programs offer access to top researchers, scholars and artists; training in state-of-the-art labs, classrooms and studios; and a collaborative, team-oriented environment that immerses students in their disciplines and helps them prepare for their future careers.

To continue recruiting the most talented, diverse, hardworking graduate students — and provide them with a comprehensive, world-class education — we aim to increase our graduate fellowships and stipends.

Additional funding will allow us to expand our recruitment packages, improve retention and rankings, help students graduate on time, and provide in-depth, experiential learning opportunities. In turn, our graduate students support essential aspects of our programs.

"My fellowship combined everything I needed. It will serve as an important aspect of my research, and will be my first step in building connections necessary for career success. I'm grateful for this opportunity."

–Heather Glon, PhD Candidate, Class of 2021
HELP GRADUATE STUDENTS, HELP OUR COLLEGE

When you support graduate students, you create a ripple effect that cascades from the college to our global Buckeye community and beyond. Graduate students conduct groundbreaking research, work with faculty and staff to support their departments, and provide essential support to undergraduates as teaching and laboratory assistants.

Please consider an endowed gift to one of our graduate studies priorities.

DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS

Offered to students in post-candidacy, each dissertation fellowship would cover tuition and a living stipend for up to three semesters. Our goal to create a $1 million endowed fund would generate approximately $45,000* annually, and in perpetuity, for dissertation fellowships.

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

These stipends would allow the college to recruit top talent by enabling students to focus on their research, increasing their productivity and allowing them to complete their degree in a timely manner. A $500,000 endowed fund would create approximately $22,500* in annual support for graduate stipends.

SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate students often serve in 10-month appointments, leaving them with a financial and employment gap during the summer months. Summer fellowships would allow departments to increase their student appointments — freeing up time for research and benefiting the students educationally and financially.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING STIPENDS

Many students can’t afford the extracurricular experiences that help them explore their fields and build their resumes. Experiential learning stipends would allow more students to conduct research, present at conferences, participate in professional development workshops, and engage in other scholarly activities.

*The university's annual endowment distribution rate is 4.5 percent of a seven-year average of the market value of the portfolio. Projected distributions will fluctuate based on investment performance.

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