Florida Atlantic University Graduate Fellowship Awards

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President

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Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Presidential Fellowship
This fellowship is designed to assist departments with the recruitment of superior doctoral students by adding fellowship funds to an assistantship. It provides $5,000 annually for a two-year period to a highly select group of newly enrolled doctoral students.

Provost Fellowship
This fellowship is designed to assist departments with the recruitment of outstanding masters or doctoral students by adding fellowship funds to an assistantship. It provides $2,500 for one year to highly recruited masters and doctoral students.

Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship
Sponsored by the State University System, this fellowship is designed to encourage minority students to pursue graduate degrees in areas where they are historically underrepresented. These areas include, but are not limited to: engineering, mathematics, computer science, economics, and psychology. Recipients are awarded $5,000 for one academic year of full-time study in selected disciplines.

Alice Griffin AAUW Graduate Fellowship
Established for female graduate students, this fellowship provides tuition and fees for women returning to the workforce, needing to make a career change, or seeking a graduate degree to facilitate potential career advancement. Recipients are awarded up to $5,000 annually to cover tuition and fees for the pursuit of a master’s degree in nursing, business administration, accounting, science or other professional endeavors outside the field of education.
McKnight Doctoral Fellowship

This fellowship is designed to address the underrepresentation of African-American and Hispanic faculty by increasing the number of citizens qualified with Ph.D. degrees to teach at the college and university levels. Funded and administered through the Florida Endowment Fund for Higher Education, this fellowship provides an annual $12,000 stipend, and each award provides annual tuition.

Newell Doctoral Fellowship

This program is designed to provide financial assistance in the form of a fellowship to outstanding doctoral graduate students. Funding for the program is provided by the generous contribution of Dr. Daniel B. Newell and Aurel B. Newell. The fellowship provides $5,000 for one academic year of study to students with financial need.

Graduate Diversity Fellowship

FAU offers this $2,500 fellowship to graduate students who increase the diversity of the student body in their chosen field of study. Applicants must be able to demonstrate how they contribute to increasing diversity, and, if applicable, any impediments or disadvantages they may have overcome to pursue their advanced degree.

Graduate Fellowship for Academic Excellence

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Gail Choate
Political Science
Caryn Cortez
Spanish
Andres Garzon-Oechsle
Anthropology
Kira Geiger
Creative Writing
Ashley Gilbert
Visual Art
Prianna Handy
Theatre
Sean Mallen
History
Juan Antonio Pena
Music
Hannah Naylor
Sociology
Selena Quiros
Women’s Studies
Katherine Schipper
English
College of Business
Eric Almazan
Health Administration
Braden Birch
Business Administration (Sport Management)
Sergio Hoyos
Economics
Matthew Sanabria
Information Technology and Management
College of Education
Dalel Bader
Educational Leadership (Higher Education Leaders)
Andrew Baker
Counselor Education
Jessica Elam
Educational Leadership (Higher Education Leaders)
Laura Kepler
Educational Leadership (Adult and Community Educational Leaders)
Charles E. Schmidt
College of Medicine
Olga Bakina
Biomedical Science
College of Engineering and Computer Science
Manasa Anumala
Electrical Engineering
David Hartmann
Computer Science
Joseph Lakner
Civil Engineering
Geoffrey Laleau
Computer Engineering
Christine E. Lynn
College of Nursing
Clare Johnston
Nursing (Adult/Gerontological Nurse Practitioner)
Kelly Miller
Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)
Charles E. Schmidt
College of Science
Nirmal Baral
Physics
Jessica Dell
Integrative Biology
Melissa Huey
Experimental Psychology
Satu Hyvarinen
Chemistry
Jennifer Polinski
Biological Sciences
Sudan Uprety
Geosciences
College for Design and Social Inquiry
Anne-Marie Brown
Social Work
Abbey Stagliano
Social Work
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Graduate Diversity Fellowship

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College of Arts and Letters
Vinh Pham  
Spanish
Clifford Mack  
Counselor Education
Annie Mick  
Educational Leadership (School Leaders, K-12)
Ray Johny Nellissery  
Exercise Science and Health Promotion (Health Promotion)
Benjamin Occelin  
Early Childhood Education
College of Engineering and Computer Science
Amalya Mihnea  
Computer Science
Christine E. Lynn  
College of Nursing
Raafat Bekheit  
Nursing
Sandra Dacosta  
Nursing DNP
Charles E. Schmidt  
College of Science
Jessene Aquino-Thomas  
Integrative Biology
College for Design and Social Inquiry
Jaszmin deFreitas  
Public Administration
Courtney L. Holmes  
Criminology and Criminal Justice

Graduate Fellowship for Academic Excellence

Dorothy F. Schmidt  
College of Arts and Letters
Julian Brijaldo  
Music
College of Business
Xiaoli Lin  
Accounting
College of Education
Jaclyn Pagnotta  
Educational Leadership (Adult and Community Educational Leaders)
Charles E. Schmidt  
College of Science
Ramon Garcia Areas  
Integrative Biology
Mengsen Zhang  
Complex Systems and Brain Sciences
College for Design and Social Inquiry
Alina Yates  
Public Administration
The Graduate College is a service college responsible for promoting quality graduate education at Florida Atlantic University. It serves as the initial point of contact for recruiting prospective students and coordinating the admissions process for both international and domestic graduate students. The Graduate College supports enrolled students by hosting professional development workshops, distributing fellowships and tuition support, ensuring compliance with the University’s thesis and dissertation guidelines, certifying all degree requirements are met and awarding graduate degrees.

Working in conjunction with the University Graduate Council, Faculty Senate, Graduate Programs Committee and the individual college deans, the Graduate College develops university-wide graduate plans and policies, ensures that academic standards are maintained, approves new course proposals and course changes, and appoints graduate faculty.

Florida Atlantic University ranks second in the Florida State University System for percentage of graduates employed in the state of Florida at the master’s level (74%) and third at the doctoral level (47%). Florida Atlantic University alumni include U.S. and foreign dignitaries, Emmy Award and Pulitzer Prize winners, an astronaut, and executives who have served in organizations such as Google, Franklin Templeton, Boeing, eBay, Motorola, and the White House. Approximately 80% of FAU’s nearly 122,000 alumni live in the Florida counties of Broward, Palm Beach, Miami-Dade, and St. Lucie.