



UCF Doctoral Research Support Award

The College of Graduate Studies is offering a Doctoral Research Support Award to assist students with dissertation research expenses. The award is available to doctoral students who have passed their qualifying examination(s) or the equivalent and are in the proposal stage of their dissertation. Students in Doctoral Candidacy status who have enrolled in more than one semester of dissertation hours (including the application term) are not eligible to apply. Award amounts will be a minimum of \$500 (maximum amounts may vary by college but are not to exceed \$5,000). Funding will be transferred to the recipient's academic department for processing towards approved expenses.

Application Deadline

Interested applicants should speak with their Dissertation Advisor about their college's application deadline(s). Colleges submit award details to gradfellowship@ucf.edu by **December 1** for Fall and **April 1** for Spring consideration.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Doctoral student in good academic standing who has passed the program's qualifying examination(s) or the equivalent.
 - A dissertation committee on record with the College of Graduate Studies.
 - Enrolled in no more than one semester of dissertation (including the semester of the application).
 - Full-time enrollment during the Doctoral Research Support Award application term.
 - Submission of a complete award proposal (see below for requirements).
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Application Requirements

To be considered for the Doctoral Research Support Award, applicants must submit the Doctoral Research Support Award application and specify how the funding will support their dissertation research. Research-related expenses that can be covered by this award include, but are not limited to:

- Travel to sites to collect data, e.g., conduct interviews, engage in ethnographic or archival research.
- Provide incentives (such as gift cards) for research participants to take part in the dissertation research study.
- Attend trainings or workshops for the development of specialized research-related skills.
- Purchase specialized equipment (i.e., not a standard laptop computer), supplies, and software needed to conduct the research or perform sample analysis. Items costing less than \$5,000 will belong to the student. Purchases of \$5,000 or more that are made with this funding are considered UCF property.

This award **does not** provide funding for students to attend or present at conferences or professional meetings. Students interested in this type of funding should apply for a Presentation Fellowship through the College of Graduate Studies.

Questions?

Office of Graduate Funding, Professional Development and Scholarship, College of Graduate Studies, Millican Hall 230
(gradfellowship@ucf.edu or 407-823-4337 or 407-823-0127)

UCF Doctoral Research Support Award Application

Applications must be endorsed by the applicant's Dissertation Advisor and Program Director and submitted to the College Graduate Dean's Office by the deadline set by the academic college.

In addition to this award application cover sheet, a Doctoral Research Support Award application must include the following information:

- A one-page (maximum) summary of the project written in non-technical language.
- A detailed timeline for dissertation completion and defense.
- A complete budget that highlights the research-related expenses for which the student is requesting funding (e.g., accommodations, software, specialized equipment, travel) and an explanation how this is required for the research. Include other sources of funding supporting the overall research project. Be as specific as possible and include projections for individual dollar amounts for each expense.

Selected candidates will be notified by the College of Graduate Studies. Awarded funds will be transferred to the student's academic department for processing to cover approved expenses as needed.

Applicant Information

Name of Applicant _____

UCF ID _____

Knights Email _____

Name of Dissertation Advisor _____

Advisor's Email _____

Working Title of the Dissertation _____

Signatures

Applicant

Print _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Dissertation Advisor/Chair

Print _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Graduate Program Director

Print _____ Signature _____ Date _____

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