APPLICATION

Fellowship applications may be obtained from the OSGC University Campus Representative (refer to the list provided), or downloaded from the OSGC website at the following link:

http://www.osgc.org/fellowship.html

Prospective applicants are encouraged to review the application package with their Advisor and/or Campus Representative before completing the application. It is the student’s responsibility to request signatures and transcripts in sufficient time to meet the deadline. There will be no exceptions for late applications.

The application package must include the following:

- Completed Application Form (includes Personal Objective Statement and proposed research project)
- Research Program Proposal
- Resume
- Listing of Publications and Presentations
- Unofficial Transcripts (both undergraduate and any previous graduate work)
- Certification (both Student Signature and Campus Representative Signature required).

DEADLINE TO APPLY

The completed application package must be submitted to the Campus Representative by February 1. Applications are due to the OSGC Program Office by Mid-February.

EVALUATION AND SELECTION

Initial evaluation and selection will be by a faculty committee at each participating university. Applicants will be evaluated separately. Final selection will be by a joint OSGC Committee. Selection is competitive and will be made based on a combination of factors including: academic achievement, GPA, honors, awards, extracurricular activities, personal background, work experience, letters of recommendation, prior publications, and quality of proposed research project and be in alignment to one of the NASA Mission Directorates.

Preference will be given to students beginning, or in the previous graduate work.

It is anticipated that three to four Master’s Fellowships will be awarded. Written notification of the Fellowship awards will be mailed in the Spring.

Fellowship awards are contingent on appropriate funding from NASA.
MASTER’S FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Ohio Space Grant Consortium (OSGC) and its Affiliate member universities offer graduate Master’s Fellowships to students who are United States’ citizens and have demonstrated the ability and aptitude for advanced study in a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)-related discipline. Fellowships are funded by Congress to the National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program and administered by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Matching funds and tuition waivers are provided by universities.

All OSGC fellowship recipients can receive additional compensation from grants, etc., but should not simultaneously hold another major Federal fellowship award or any full-time employment, and the additional compensation does not require duties in addition to their OSGC obligations. Fellowships are awarded to United States’ citizens, and who are full-time students in Master’s programs at the following member universities.

ELIGIBLE UNIVERSITIES

• Case Western Reserve University
• Cleveland State University
• Kent State University
• Miami University
• The Ohio State University
• Ohio University
• The University of Akron
• University of Cincinnati
• University of Dayton
• The University of Toledo
• Wright State University
• Youngstown State University

SAMPLE STEM-RELATED DISCIPLINES

• Aeronautical Engineering
• Aerospace Engineering
• Astronomy • Astrophysics
• Biology
• Biomedical Engineering
• Chemical Engineering
• Chemistry
• Civil Engineering
• Computer Science and Engineering
• Control Engineering
• Electrical Engineering
• Engineering Mechanics
• Industrial Engineering
• Geology
• Manufacturing Engineering
• Materials Science and Engineering
• Mathematics
• Mechanical Engineering
• Nuclear Engineering
• Petroleum Engineering
• Physics
• Radiological Engineering
• Science • Systems Engineering
• Welding Engineering

RESEARCH AREAS OF INTEREST

• Astrobiology
• Aerospace Applications
• Bio-Processes
• Combustion
• Communications
• Computational Systems
• Electronics • Electro-Optics
• Fluid Mechanics
• Heat Transfer
• Instrumentation and Controls
• Materials
• Mechanics
• Power Technology
• Remote Sensing
• Robotics
• Solid State Physics
• Structures

ELIGIBILITY

Fellowships are open to full-time students enrolled in a Master’s Degree program in a STEM-related discipline at one of the Affiliate member universities. Applicants must have applied to the graduate school of one of the universities and must expect to have completed the Bachelor’s Degree before the Fall 2020 term. Underrepresented Minority students, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Master’s Fellowship recipients are required to propose and initiate a research project under the guidance of a faculty member. The research must be in direct alignment with one of the following four (4) NASA Mission Directorates: Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate (ARMD); Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate (HEOMD); Science Mission Directorate (SMD); and Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD). Fellows are required to attend the annual Student Research Symposium and make a PowerPoint presentation on their research project.

AWARD AND TENURE

Awards to Master’s students are $20,000 ($17,000 from NASA and $3,000 from the university, plus a tuition waiver) for the academic year (2 semesters). OSGC will provide the funding to the university in late Summer. The fellowship may be extended if the student's academic performance is acceptable, good progress has been made on the research project, and upon approval of the Campus Representative. Master’s I recipients who are interested in an extension are encouraged to follow up with their Advisor and Campus Representative.

Note that no indirect charges are allowed by the university for Master’s fellowship awards.