

University of Maryland Graduate School, Baltimore

Graduate Merit Awards

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The Graduate Merit Award program supports Graduate School program efforts to recruit and retain promising graduate students. The Graduate School awards \$2,000 to part-time or full-time students or to new students in cases where an added incentive will help in the recruitment of an outstanding graduate student.

Eligibility:

- Graduate Merit Awards may supplement graduate research assistantships.
- Graduate programs may nominate any degree-seeking graduate student for a Graduate Merit Award, but recipients will generally be Ph.D. students.
- The Graduate School bases Graduate Merit Awards on academic merit.
- Graduate Merit Awards are for one year and are not renewable.

Nominations:

- Graduate School program directors must identify the students to receive Graduate Merit Awards. Programs should provide, by the deadline, a ranked list of these students.
- Graduate School programs should submit all nominations together.
- For each nominee, the Graduate School program should list, briefly:
 - GPA,
 - GRE scores,
 - residency status (in-state or out-of-state) and current address,
 - source of tuition support for the award year,* and
 - additional justification in support of the nomination of M.S. students.
- Send this information to Celeste Gerhart in the Graduate School Dean's office, 515 Lombard Building, fourth floor.

Deadline:

- March 18, 2005. The Graduate School cannot extend this deadline because programs often use these awards for recruitment.

**In the event that the student is paying his or her own tuition or will be supported by a DRIF award from the Graduate School or School of Medicine, the program may also request tuition support for up to 10 credits each semester for both fall and spring.*

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