

Spring 2023 Announcement of Graduate Fellowships and Awards

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Please send any questions to me at jowens2@uccs.edu and I will do my best to help you and your students! These announcements are listed in order of the upcoming deadlines.

[Additionally, please refer to the Graduate School webpage for information.](#)

Graduate Research Fellowship (deadline February 17, 2023)

(\$5,000 award + \$400 travel/professional development award)

These merit-based awards contribute to educating graduate students and advancing the research mission of UCCS. Students must be engaged in research/scholarship with a faculty mentor. International students are eligible. Each award is a \$5,000 award with an anticipated 10-15 awards announced per year. Programs are limited to 8 student nominations. Student nominees will be evaluated on the quality and strength of the following: 1) past academic record/qualifications; 2) student's research statement; 3) letter of recommendation from UCCS faculty mentor; 4) letter of recommendation from another familiar faculty mentor; and 5) any other factors that may influence success.

Interested students should send an email to Janel Owens (jowens2@uccs.edu) indicating interest in applying. The Department will then submit a nominating letter with the names of students applying as well as the student nomination packet. The individual nominating packet should include:

- Two letters of support:
 - One supporting letter from the UCCS Faculty Mentor
 - An additional support letter from a second faculty member or professional mentor
- A statement of 500 words or less from the student nominee outlining his/her goals for graduate school including research experiences, specific research goals.
- Graduate School application and unofficial transcripts.

The nomination packet is due to Janel by **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17th by 5 pm.**

Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA; deadline April 14, 2023)

Available to full-time (6 credit hours) students in the Master of Sciences program (Chemistry or Biochemistry option). Students must be admitted to the program and have a minimum cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0. GTA funds are \$15,000 per year, with possible renewable for a second year. Students are expected to teach four laboratory courses over the academic year of the program.

How to apply: Compose an essay of no more than 200 words and submit it to Janel Owens, Associate Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, explaining (1) your need for

this award and as well as (2) your progress in your MSc research, and (3) your future plans. All materials are due by email to jowens2@uccs.edu by 5 pm Friday, April 14th.

Graduate School Tuition Matching Grant (deadline April 14, 2023)

\$1,000 or \$2,000 per year; must also have matching funds from program for teaching assistantship, research assistantship, or funding related to service/internship directly related to educational program. Students must have GPA of 3.0 or higher, be enrolled in 6 or more credit hours.

How to apply: Submit a GTA application (see above) to Janel Owens. Your application materials are due to jowens2@uccs.edu by 5 pm Friday, April 14th.

Graduate Out-of-State Scholarship (deadline May 1, 2023)

(\$6,000 for full academic year; \$3,000 if spring semester only)

This merit-based award is for first-year out-of-state graduate students. Students **MUST** be paying *full* out-of-state tuition, have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.33, and be enrolled full-time (6 credit hours/semester). International students **ARE** eligible!

Only students who are admitted for Summer 2023 and Fall 2023 are eligible. Interested students should send an email to Janel Owens (jowens2@uccs.edu) by **April 14th** indicating interest in applying. The Department will nominate the top student for this award.

Graduate Opportunity Scholarship (deadline March 1, 2023)

(\$5,000-\$25,000/year; 1-6 given per year)

A competitive need-based scholarship given to incoming graduate students who bring **diverse perspectives** to UCCS and who participated in a mentorship program as an undergraduate. Students must have a minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA and demonstrate financial need by completing the FAFSA no later than March 1.

How to apply: **[Students apply directly through the UCCS scholarship webpage and must complete an essay as part of the application](#)** (see Financial Aid page for deadline and contact the Graduate School if there are issues). Students must have been admitted to the program to be able to access the UCCS Scholarship page (contact the Graduate School if there are issues). Awards will be announced in early April for the following academic year. *International students are NOT eligible for this award.*

Lind Scholarship (deadline March 1, 2023)

Need-based award for continuing, full-time graduate students (6 credit hour enrollment per semester) with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. Eligible students must demonstrate financial need by filing the FAFSA no later than March 1, 2023. Awards are typically \$1000. **[Applicants need to fill out the UCCS Scholarship Application and submit an essay of no more than 500 words on the essay topic.](#)** Awards are made in early April.



UCCS Tuition Grant (deadline March 1, 2023)

Need-based, Colorado residents. Must complete FAFSA by March 1. Awards made by financial aid in Fall. Awarded to full-time graduate students who fall within an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) range of 0-4600.

How to apply: To be considered, you must apply with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1st. Awards are up to \$4,000 per year. UCCS's school code is 004509.

Colorado Graduate Grant (deadline March 1, 2023)

Need-based, Colorado residents in STEM fields. Must complete FAFSA by March 1st. Awards made by Financial Aid in Fall. Awarded to Colorado residents enrolled in a minimum of four credit hours in a STEM major who fall within an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) range of 0-4600.

How to apply: To be considered, you must apply with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1st. Awards are up to \$4,000 per year. UCCS's school code is 004509.

Research and Professional Development Award (\$400/student; 40-50 given yearly)

These funds are allocated to help support research and professional development activities of graduate students. Such costs may include, but are not limited to, travel to professional conferences, registration for online conferences, research costs for materials or participants (but not personnel pay), and/or publication costs. Only currently enrolled graduate students in degree-seeking programs are eligible to apply. [Students submit an application electronically.](#) [See the Graduate School website for deadlines and other information.](#) The award application opens twice per year.