

**The purpose** of graduate student grant (GSG) is to offer additional support to graduate students' professional development and research.

**GSG** can be used to pay for

1. Costs of presenting at a conference, including travel, accommodation, and registration.
2. Costs of conducting research. Any research expense that is related to a degree requirement or career advancement is an allowable expense. Two types of expenses explicitly not covered by the GSG are human subjects compensation (e.g. for psychology experiments or ethnographic data collection) and laboratory equipment (e.g. consumables like test tubes)
3. Students will get the funding only in advance, GSG cannot do a reimbursement (i.e. receipt reimbursments).

### **Eligibility**

1. Graduate student currently enrolled in a graduate degree granting program.
2. Conference attended must be in the applicant's academic field, or in a closely related field.

### **Selection Criteria**

1. The primary consideration in awarding a grant is the importance of presenting at conferences or conducting research to the student's degree or career. An ideal applicant will be conducting research that will help her/him to complete/advance her/his research or to go on the job market. Similarly, an ideal applicant is presenting dissertation research at a venue where she/he can receive substantive feedback that will help her/him advance in the career.

Applications should demonstrate a strong need for funding. Given the limited budget and large number of applicants, please list the sources of funding that might reasonably be available to you, and explain why they cannot meet your needs.

The committee considers applications from many disciplines. While it is important to describe your research and its importance clearly, avoid overly technical descriptions.

A conference in another discipline, or one that draws an interdisciplinary audience, may be appropriate if the student's research incorporates elements or methodologies from another field.

### **Application Deadlines**

Spring semester: March 8th  
Summer semester: May 24th

Applicants are expected to hear back from the selection committee approximately one month after the deadline.

### **Funding Limits**

Each GSGs shall be limited to \$400 in the fiscal year 2019-2020 (July 2019 – June 2020).  
Each Graduate student shall be limited to one GSG per fiscal year.  
GSGs can only be funded from the budget of the fiscal year in which they occur.

### **A Checklist for a Complete Application**

- (1) A description of the significance of conducting research or presenting at the conference to your career.
- (2) A confirmation letter for the conference presentation and/or an endorsement letter from your research advisor
- (3). An updated CV

(4) Documents relevant for reimbursement or purchases if your application is approved