The NSF GRFP recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in the relevant science (including social sciences), technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines* pursuing research-based master’s and doctoral degrees, including women in engineering and computer and information science. *UC Davis currently has 144 NSF GRFP fellows, ranking as one of the top institutions nationwide in this Program. The program goals are

1) to select, recognize, and financially support individuals early in their careers with the demonstrated potential to be high achieving scientists and engineers

2) to broaden participation in science and engineering of underrepresented groups, including women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans.

GRFP is a critical program in NSF's overall strategy to develop the globally-engaged workforce necessary to ensure the Nation's leadership in advancing science and engineering research and innovation. The ranks of NSF Fellows include numerous individuals who have made transformative breakthrough discoveries in science and engineering, become leaders in their chosen careers, and been honored as Nobel laureates.

Amount: $32-34,000 ($34K is the anticipated increase) in stipend and $12,000 cost of education (COE) annually for three years (may be used over a five year period). Fellows may also be eligible for additional opportunities such as the international travel NSF GRFP GROW program and the Graduate Research Internship Program (GRIP). Fellows are also provided enhanced access to cyberinfrastructure resources, including supercomputing time, through the Extreme Science and Engineering Discovery Environment (XSEDE), see Institutional Commitment: The UCD Office of Graduate Studies will award GRFP fellows the balance of instate fees not paid by the COE (providing no other awards or fee remissions from academic appointments exist).

Eligibility: applicants must not have completed more than 12 months of full-time graduate study or the equivalent (senior undergraduates, 1st and 2nd year graduate students are generally eligible). In addition, applicants must have U.S. citizenship, permanent resident or U.S. national status at the time of application. Applicant must be accepted and enrolled in a US university graduate program at the time of the award.


Application: Applicants must submit the following information through the FastLane GRFP Application Module: Personal Information; Education and Other Experience; Field(s) of Study; Graduate School Information; Personal, Relevant Background and Future Goals Statement (3 pages);
Graduate Research Plan Statement; Eligibility Statement if applicable; Transcripts; and the names and email addresses of Reference Letter writers. Applicants should not send extraneous information or materials.

For more information and application see URL: http://www.nsfgrfp.org/. The Solicitation is at http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?WT.z_pims_id=6201&ods_key=nsf14590. Applicants may register to apply directly through the NSF FastLane application portal at https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/grfp/Login.do (institutional submission or approval is not needed).

Application Deadlines
(Applications Must Be Submitted by 8:00 pm Eastern Standard Time)
October 30, 2014 (Thursday): Chemistry
November 3, 2014 (Monday): STEM Education and Learning
November 4, 2014 (Tuesday): Life Science

**Application procedure, forms, listing of external fellowships and funding resources:
http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/current-students/financial-support/external-fellowships
External Fellowship Matching Commitments for External Fellowships Policy & Procedure: