



Pathways to Graduate Funding

Nominated by Department or College

Fellowship/Award Name	Support Provided	Eligibility Criteria	Period of Funding
Graduate School Tuition Award	Tuition & non-resident fee waiver	Must be fully enrolled with regular admission, a ≥ 3.0 cumulative GPA, and maintain full-time status each Fall, Spring, and Summer for two years.	2 years- Fall, Spring & Summer
Distinguished Dissertation Award	\$2,000 check plus framed certificate	Dissertation must reflect exceptional scholarship, and student must have earned a doctoral degree in the previous calendar year	One Time Award
Huel D. Perkins Fellowships	\$25,000 stipend, tuition & non-resident fee waiver, mandatory fee exemption	Newly entering PhD/Doctoral student, U.S. Citizen or U.S. National, and must be admitted as a regularly admitted graduate student with an overall undergraduate GPA of ≥ 3.0	4 years- Fall, Spring & Summer
Dissertation Year Fellowships (DYF)	\$25,000 stipend, tuition & non-resident fee waiver, mandatory fee exemption	Meet Graduate School standards, including a ≥ 3.5 LSU Graduate GPA, completion of a milestone exam, and, if applicable, an approved departmental prospectus	1 year- Fall & Spring
Future Scholars Initiative	\$14,000 annual stipend	Must have a 50% departmentally funded GA offer, domestic PhD student (admitted or enrolled) with an undergrad or graduate GPA of ≥ 3.0 , newly admitted, in the first year, or transitioning from a fellowship to departmental support	Up to 4 years- Fall & Spring
Graduate Assistantships*	Stipend, tuition & non-resident fee waiver, mandatory fee exemption, 75% health insurance waiver	Full time enrollment, ≥ 3.0 incoming or cumulative GPA	Semester, 9 month or 12 month term

Applied For By Student

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GSA Travel Award	In-state travel \$100.00 Out-of-state travel \$200.00 International travel \$450.00	In good standing, enrolled full time during the semester of travel as well as the Fall/Spring semesters immediately preceding travel, presenting work completed while enrolled at LSU, listed as first author of the abstract.	Ongoing
Jeffrey Bouton Memorial Graduate Award	Cash award, varies	Full-time graduate students pursuing a degree in forestry, recreational therapy, oceanography, veterinary medicine, or herpathology.	Fall/Spring Semester
Phi Lambda Pi Graduate Award	Cash award, varies	Full-time graduate student, ≥ 3.5 GPA, Louisiana resident.	Fall/Spring Semester

* See back for more information about graduate assistantships and student health insurance



Graduate Assistantships and Student Health Insurance

Types of Assistantships	Typically Hired By	Expected Job Duties
Service Assistant	Academic and Administrative Departments	Responsibilities may include assisting with basic administrative functions, answering phones, filing paperwork, assisting with special projects, preparation of newsletters or publications, supervising of special projects, and supervising of other graduate assistants.
Teaching Assistant	Academic Departments	Responsibilities may include helping prepare exams, grading papers, tutoring students outside of class, conducting lectures, and teaching credit-bearing courses as the instructor of record.
Research Assistant	Faculty	Responsibilities may include assisting with laboratory or field work, distributing supplies, cleaning equipment, performing lab tasks, making independent decisions, conducting complex tests, and selecting appropriate tests for research.
Residential Assistant	Residential Life	Responsibilities may include coordinating the orientation and training for desk assistants, resident assistants, graduate staff and professional staff, assisting the Assistant Director for Training and Leadership in student leadership activities, planning and assessing staff development initiatives, establishing appropriate working relationships with other university entities, co-administration of a living community as a live-in graduate student, and serving as a support in all aspects of building management including student staff supervision, administrative management and community development.

Student Health Insurance (SHIP)

Types of Insurance	Support Provided	How to Enroll
Graduate Assistant Health Insurance	75% Graduate School subsidy	Enrolled automatically each semester, must waive each semester if student holds other coverage
Fellows Health Insurance	75% Graduate School subsidy	Fellows who earn at least \$20K annually are invited by email