

Environmental Science and Policy Graduate Fellowships and Scholarships

George Mason University Presidential Scholarships for Incoming Graduate Students

Purpose

The Presidential Scholarship is a program of support for incoming Doctoral students (i.e., it is not available to currently enrolled students). It is intended to help Mason doctoral programs become more competitive in recruiting students who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and are committed to excellence in their field of study. This is an internal application, and nominations are made by the awarding department. The full details can be found here: <https://graduate.gmu.edu/faculty-staff/supporting-graduate-students/presidential-scholars>

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must have applied to the Environmental Science and Public Policy Doctoral Program

Award Funding

- 12-month Graduate Research Assistantship with a stipend of at least \$36,000 (total for academic year and summer semesters).
- 18 tuition credits at the in-state rate (9 in the Fall and 9 in the Spring semesters)
- Health insurance subsidy for eligible students
- Renewable for up to four years

Application Process

Students must submit the following materials by 8:00 a.m., Monday, February 16, 2026, by email to the ESP Graduate Program Office at espgrad@gmu.edu: The application must include the Student Information, Proposal, References, CV, letter of recommendation from advisor (to be submitted separately). Please include "Graduate Student Fellowships Application" in the subject line of the email.