



## SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS ADVISOR / DGS LETTER INSTRUCTION SHEET

The Graduate School Summer Research Fellowships provide support to outstanding University of Maryland doctoral students at “mid-career,” that is, in the period approximately before, during, or after achievement of candidacy. The fellowships provide doctoral students the opportunity to concentrate fully on their own scholarly activities and research, for the duration of the summer, at a critical moment in their graduate studies. These Fellowships provide a \$5,000 summer stipend with specific cost-sharing requirements detailed in the guidelines. Two letter of recommendation are required for each nomination.

**Advisor Letter:** The Graduate School requests a letter of recommendation from the student’s advisor or the major professor with whom the student is working. This letter should address the student’s outstanding qualifications, the significance of the student’s scholarship or research, and the student’s timely progress through the program.

**DGS Letter:** The Graduate School requests a brief letter of nomination for the DGS. This letter should confirm the student is in good standing and explain why he/she is being nominated for the Summer Research Fellowship.

These letters must be appended to the rest of the nomination materials to create a single PDF file. Departments/Programs must submit the entire nomination package to the Graduate School Awards System at <http://gradschool.umd.edu/GSAwardsSystem/>. The complete nomination package is due to the Graduate School by **noon on Wednesday, February 27, 2019**.

Complete Summer Research Fellowship guidelines can be found on the Graduate School website at <http://gradschool.umd.edu/funding/fellowships-awards/student-fellowships-awards/gs-summer-research-fellowships>.