



# Graduate Fellowship Support

## College of Liberal and Fine Arts

### OVERVIEW

As a Top Tier research university, it is anticipated that UTSA's College of Liberal and Fine Arts will continue to grow its master's and doctoral degree programs, resulting in a need for more graduate fellowships. With a Spring 2022 enrollment of 3,475 undergraduate, 293 master's and 66 doctoral students across its various graduate programs, the college aims to increase the number of endowed graduate fellowships. This will help meet the need for teaching and research assistants and allow the college to continue recruiting and retaining the best and brightest students for its programs. The college hopes to continue creating a rich and robust academic environment for its master's and doctoral candidates in Anthropology, English, Art, Art History, Communication, English, History, Spanish, Music, Philosophy and Classics, and Geography and Political Science, while also providing them opportunities to enhance their own academic and professional portfolios for the future.



### CHALLENGE

The growing reputation of UTSA and the faculty within the college's diverse departments translates into an anticipated growth in enrollment and increased research activity for the college. This will result in a need for more talented and dedicated graduate students to support these efforts – in its classrooms and research centers. While prospective students may be drawn to the college by the quality of its academic programs and

faculty, many of them make their selection of a university for their advanced degrees based on the financial assistance available to fund their studies. To remain competitive in recruiting and retaining the most outstanding graduate students, the college must increase the number and value of endowed fellowships available to its current and prospective master's and doctoral students.



## IMPACT

New endowed graduate fellowships will help the college attract and retain the best and brightest young minds to its challenging master's and doctoral programs. The impact of having talented and hard-working graduate students studying in the college is invaluable since they will not only reinvigorate and challenge their mentors and help accelerate intellectual advancement in their academic fields, but will also serve as role models for undergraduates whose education they will enhance. In turn, the graduate students are provided important opportunities to interact closely with their professors and mentors through teaching, research, and academic activities that prepare them to be successful, compassionate, contributing members of their communities and their professions.



## PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Texas at San Antonio has launched a comprehensive campaign to support UTSA's 10-Year Strategic Vision introduced by President Taylor Eighmy in 2017. **Be Bold: A Campaign for Our Future**, which also extends 10 years and has a working goal of \$500 million, is focused on providing the infrastructure and resources needed to become a model for student success and research discovery. There are several philanthropic opportunities within the College of Liberal and Fine Arts.

**Scholarships** make a tremendous difference in helping UTSA attract and recognize high-achieving students.

**Endowed Faculty Positions** help foster excellence in research and support efforts to recruit and retain highly qualified educators, researchers, and administrators.

**Capital Projects** provide the necessary spaces to stimulate learning, research, creativity, and collaboration among students and faculty. Our endowment levels include:

\$2,000,000+	Distinguished University Chair
\$1,500,000+	Distinguished Chair
\$1,000,000+	Chair
\$500,000+	Distinguished Professorship
\$250,000+	Professorship
\$100,000+	Faculty Fellowship
\$100,000+	Graduate Fellowship
\$25,000+	Undergraduate or Graduate Scholarship

Graduate Fellowships also offer superior experiential learning opportunities for master's or doctoral students. Fellowships are structured to deliver significant responsibility in a particular specialty. Fellows learn from mentors and world-class research faculty, contributing to research across all industries and impacting the world we live and work in. Endowing a fellowship requires a minimum funding level of \$100,000 and typically provides tuition or aid to support our graduate students' training.

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