

# National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program

- **Purpose**
  - The National Science Foundation's Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) helps ensure the vitality of the human resource base of science and engineering in the United States and reinforces its diversity. The program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in NSF-supported science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines who are pursuing research-based masters and doctoral degrees at accredited US institutions.
- **Eligibility Requirements**
  - Students must be a US citizen, US National, or permanent resident
  - Students must intend to pursue a research-based Master's or Ph.D. program in an GRFP-supported field
  - Students must be enrolled in an eligible program at an accredited United States graduate institution, with a US campus, by fall following selection
  - Students must have completed no more than twelve months of full-time graduate study (or the equivalent)
- **Application Process**
  - We suggest that you start your application process by contacting our experienced campus representative, Dr. John Stiller at [stillerj@ecu.edu](mailto:stillerj@ecu.edu)
  - Students can expect the following requirements on the application:
    - Original application
    - A personal statement
    - Transcripts for all college coursework
    - 3 letters of reference
  - Application deadlines are typically in mid-October and vary depending on course of study
- **Selection Process**
  - Applications are reviewed and results will be announced by early April and students will have until early May to accept/decline awards
- **Campus Contact**
  - To apply, contact ECU Faculty Representative, Dr. John Stiller at [stillerj@ecu.edu](mailto:stillerj@ecu.edu)
- **Website Link**
  - For more information, please visit [www.nsfgrfp.org](http://www.nsfgrfp.org)
- **Recent ECU Recipients**
  - Joseph Paul, Gina Bledsoe, Chris Cohen, Jeff Cole – 2016
  - Shea Middleton-2021

