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Frederick Douglass Scholars Fellowship

The Frederick Douglass Doctoral Scholars fellowship program is awarded to new Ph.D. students who are also new to the Graduate School. It is designed to recruit academically talented students with an interest in college or university teaching. Students may pursue Ph.D. studies in the Arts & Humanities and Social & Behavioral Science disciplines at Howard University. The Frederick Douglass award is offered on a competitive basis upon recommendation by the candidate's prospective department chair and the Financial Aid Advisory Committee..

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must be ***first time applicants*** to the Graduate School at Howard University in all disciplines. Howard University Graduate School admissions applications to Ph.D. programs for the Fall 2019 semester must be submitted ***prior*** to the Frederick Douglass deadline. The minimum cumulative GPA requirement from the applicant's current or most recently attended institution is 3.5.

TERMS

Full remission of tuition (not including student activity fees) and a stipend of \$20,000 for the fall and spring semesters. **Successful applicants will be offered the award for one year and must hold a master's degree.**

Frederick Douglass Doctoral Scholars are required to: **(1)** participate in a 15-hour per week supervised research assignment during each academic year; **(2)** maintain a GPA of 3.5 and above; **(3)** submit an outlined written approval by their advisors on required assignment for the academic year; **(4)** take part in the Graduate School's Annual Research Day; **(5)** participate in Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) and **(6) not** hold outside employment.

It is important to note that the Graduate School reserves the right to base annual renewal decisions on the evaluation and recommendation of the recipient's supervisor.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application must be submitted by the **Third Friday in January** of every academic year.

APPLICATION

Applicants should submit a total of SIX (6) completed packages: ONE (1) original complete package and FIVE (5) copies of the completed package:

1 Completed Original Frederick Douglass Application Form ([PDF](#)) and 5 copies

1 Official, seal transcript from current or most recently attended institution and 5 copies

1 Five-page scholarly academic or research writing sample and 5 copies

1 Statement addressing how the professoriate fits into the candidate's career goals and 5 copies

3 letters of recommendation:

1 from the prospective, academic chair at Howard and 5 copies

- 2 from faculty members at the current or most recently attended institution and 5 copies

DO NOT INCLUDE MATERIALS THAT ARE NOT LISTED HERE, THEY WILL BE DISCARDED.

In addition to the application package, selected candidates will be asked to participate in an interview. Interviews may take place in person or via teleconference. Applications will be reviewed by the Financial Aid Advisory Committee and recommended to the Dean for approval. Applicants will be notified upon the Dean's approval.

Please keep in mind, if applications are incomplete for any reasons (i.e., not completely filled out, insufficient number of copies submitted, missing any required documents, etc.) they will not be reviewed by the financial aid advisory committee. Applicants will NOT be notified in this event.

Please note if you have questions pertaining to the application, we encourage you to call the Office of Graduate Student Affairs at 202-806-4676.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

The Frederick Douglass Doctoral Scholars Review Committee
c/o Office of Administration and Finance
Howard University Graduate School
Annex III Building, Room 200
4th & College Streets, N.W.
Washington, DC 20059

Deadline: Friday, January 18, 2019

Funding Type: Fellowship

Related Degrees: Ph.D.

Related Programs: African Studies, Communication Sciences and Disorders, Communication, Culture and Media Studies, History, International Studies, Political Science, Psychoeducational Studies, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology and Criminology, Women's Studies, World Languages and Culture

FREDERICK DOUGLASS DOCTORAL SCHOLARS ASSISTANTSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Please print application and type information

I. Personal Data

Name

[Last]

[First]

[Middle Initial]

Current Address

Day Phone

E-mail

Permanent Address

II. ACADEMIC STATUS

Provide Name of Undergraduate Institution:

Major

Cumulative GPA:

Major Cumulative GPA:

Minor(s)

Expected Graduation Date:

Faculty Advisor

Advisor's Contact Information

Telephone Number:

E-mail address:

If applicable, provide Master's Institution:

Department:

Research Interest:

Expected Graduation Date:

Degree:

Cumulative GPA:

Research Advisor

Advisor's Contact Information

Telephone Number:

E-mail Address:

III. HOWARD UNIVERSITY ADMISSION STATUS

Indicate the Ph.D. department to which you are applying at Howard:

Name of the faculty member in the prospective Ph.D. program at Howard whose research specialization closely matches the candidate's.

Name:

Research Specialization:

I have read and understand the description and eligibility criteria and would like to apply for the Howard University Frederick Douglass Doctoral Scholars Fellowship.

Signature:

Date:

Printed Name:

Frederick Douglass Application Check-list

Application Form

Current institution's transcript

Scholarly academic or research writing sample (5 pages)

Statement addressing how the professoriate fits into the candidate's career goals

3 letters of recommendation (1 from the prospective department chair or director of graduate studies at Howard University; 2 from faculty members at the candidate's current institution)

Submit Application Materials to:

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c/o Office of Retention, Mentoring, and Support Programs

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