

Office of Graduate Dean
Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Willis Swartz Graduate Student Scholarship Award

Background

The Graduate School would like to implement Willis Swartz Graduate Student Scholarship Award this academic year. This fund is established to honor the work of Dr. Willis Swartz. In 1943, Dr. Swartz became the first Chair of the Graduate Council, and in 1950 he was named the first Dean of the Graduate School. In addition, Dr. Swartz was chosen to direct the foreign student programs from 1963 to 1964. The selection of the recipient(s) of the Willis Swartz Graduate Student Award will be made by the Award Selection Committee of the Graduate School. Award letters for the Willis Swartz Graduate Student Award shall carry the name of the honoree of this award in such a manner that the recipient(s) will understand the source of the funds awarded. At least one award each year will be given to a student conducting, or projecting to conduct, research in materials technology, as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria. The Willis Swartz Graduate Student Award will be open to all applicants with the following qualifications, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age or veteran status--The recipient will be a graduate student. Preference will be given to: 1. International graduate students. 2. Incoming graduate students.

Specific Operations and Implementations

Scholarship provisions

- A. The Willis Swartz Graduate Student Scholarship Award is currently being offered to support graduate students interested in conducting graduate research. Award letters for the Willis Swartz Graduate Student Award shall carry the name of the honoree of this award in such a manner that the recipient(s) will understand the source of the funds awarded.
- B. Two new incoming graduate students or international graduate students will be selected. At least one of the students must be conducting, or projecting to conduct, research in materials technology; including science, engineering or other areas as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria.

- C. Two recipients who will be selected by the Award Selection Committee will each receive a \$1000 scholarship (this amount subject to change each year). At least one award each year will be given to a student conducting, or projecting to conduct, research in materials technology, as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria.

Selection criteria

1. Must be admitted to a graduate degree program on campus
2. Must be a full-time graduate student
3. Must maintain a 3.3 GPA or higher

Preference will be given to the following:

- New incoming graduate students
- International students
- Graduate students who are conducting or projected to conduct research in materials technology, including science, engineering, and other areas.
- At least one award each year will be given to a student conducting or projecting to conduct research in materials technology, as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria.

Applications

Departments will nominate students for this award by submitting a complete application packet that should include: application, student's biographical statement of graduate research interest, and copies of all transcripts. The Award Selection Committee will review all nominees' applications and select the awardee(s). Two recipients who will be selected by the Selection Committee will each receive a total of \$1000(this amount subject to change each year) for each recipient during the academic year. The recipient(s) will be notified via a letter from the Dean of the Graduate School.

Send all information to:

Graduate School Award Selection Committee

Dean's office, Graduate School

MC 4716

DEADLINE: December 15, 2016

Willis Swartz Graduate Student Scholarship Award Guidelines

- Students must be interested in conducting interdisciplinary research in the area of materials technology; including science, engineering or other areas. The student will be selected based on outstanding academic performance as judged by academic discipline.

- Students must be admitted to a graduate program. Preference will be given to:

New incoming graduate students

International students

Students conducting or projected to conduct research in materials technology, including: science, engineering or other areas

- Students must be enrolled for a minimum of nine graduate credit hours for the semester they receive the award unless they have an assistantship.
- If the student is already receiving payment of tuition and/or fees from another source, this scholarship may reduce other sources of financial aid.
- This scholarship award will be posted to the student's account.
- Scholarship will be awarded for fall and/or spring semesters.
- This scholarship is a one-time award for each recipient. Previous recipients are not allowed to re-apply for it.
- Eligible departments are allowed to submit two nominations.
- Two recipients will be selected. At least one award each year will be given to a student conducting, or projecting to conduct, research in materials technology, as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria.

Deadline: December 15, 2016

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Purpose: The purpose of the Willis Swartz Graduate Student Scholarship is to provide a scholarship to new graduate students who conduct or will conduct all research. Preference will be given to international graduate students and/or new graduate students conducting or projecting to conduct research in materials technology, including engineering, science and other fields. If two are selected, at least one award each year will be given to a student conducting or projecting to conduct research in materials technology, as long as such a student is in the applicant pool for this award and meets the other criteria.

This form must be completed by the student's academic department.

SEMESTER _____ YEAR _____

Name _____ DAWG tag # _____
Last First Middle

Mailing address _____ Phone: _____
Number/street City State Zip code

Degree Sought: ___ Masters ___ Ph.D. Name of program _____

Citizenship: ___ U.S. Citizen ___ Permanent Resident of U.S. ___ Non-U.S. Citizen

Race (optional): ___ American Indian or Alaskan Native ___ Asian or Pacific Islander ___ Black, non-Hispanic
___ Hispanic ___ White, non-Hispanic ___ Other

1. Department will provide student's one-page biographical statement addressing applicant's academic qualifications in regard to academic excellence, which should include, but not limited to, the following: academic achievements, honors, awards, publications, and extracurricular activities.
2. Attached copies of all transcripts.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Department Chair or Director of Graduate Studies

For Graduate School use only: _____ Amount awarded _____

Dean, Graduate School

Date

Return completed forms to:

Award Selection Committee
Graduate School Mail Code 4716
Southern Illinois University Carbondale
1263 Lincoln Drive
Carbondale IL 62901