The Google PhD Student Fellowship Program was created to recognize outstanding graduate students doing exceptional work in computer science, related disciplines, or promising research areas.

Each department may submit up to four nominations to the Graduate College. Each university is limited to 2 nominations.

Google will award two-year fellowships consisting of:

- Tuition and fees
- $34k yearly stipend (paid over 9 months of the academic year)
- Google Research Mentor
- Third year extension possible at Google's discretion

Google will award approximately 15 fellowships from among the following topical areas:

- Algorithms, Optimizations and Markets
- Computational Neuroscience
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Machine Learning
- Machine Perception, Speech Technology and Computer Vision
- Mobile Computing
- Natural Language Processing (including Information Retrieval and Extraction)
- Privacy and Security
- Programming Languages and Software Engineering
- Quantum Computing
- Structured Data and Database Management
- Systems and Networking

See: https://www.grad.illinois.edu/fellowship/index.cfm?action=main.fellowship&fid=3163
https://ai.google/research/outreach/phd-fellowship/

Eligibility

Full-time graduate students pursuing a PhD in the research areas represented by the fellowships

Must attend an eligible university, including Illinois.

Must be nominated by their department

NOTE: Eligibility changed as of 10/10/18. Applicants must be in at least their 3rd year of a PhD program by the fall semester or quarter of the year when the fellowship begins.

Students who are already receiving another fellowship are not eligible

Required Materials (by 11/1/18)

1. Name of the area (from above list) in which student is being nominated.
2. Student's CV
4. Research proposal following the Graduate College's guidelines: Dissertation Research Proposal. The recommended length is 4-5 pages (single-spaced), with maximum length of 8 pages. The proposal must have 12 point font, in Times New Roman, and with 1-inch margins. Proposals not following this format will be disqualified. A descriptive title must appear at the top of the first page of the proposal. An accompanying References Cited section (1 pages maximum) may also be submitted.
6. Additional letters. 1-2 additional letters of recommendation from those familiar with the student's work. (I recommend 2 letters).
7. Short CV of thesis advisor (1 page maximum)
8. **Transcripts.** Graduate and undergraduate transcripts (unofficial are sufficient). (Unofficial Illinois transcripts can be obtained for free at: https://apps.uillinois.edu/selfservice/)

**Materials should be submitted by 11:59PM on November 1, 2018 to Samantha Hendon (2237 SC).**

**Note:** Electronic documents are preferred and should be submitted as PDFs. Letters of recommendation should be sent from the letter writer directly to shendon@illinois.edu. *Students, please include your netid in your file names. I recommend that students submit their CVs and drafts of their statement(s) to their letter writers at least a week prior to the deadline.*