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# WHO WE ARE

iversity is a driving force and necessary condition for academic excellence. The Graduate School Diversity Office (GSDO) coordinates and leads the University's initiatives in the recruitment, funding, retention and graduation of graduate students who are underrepresented in higher education. Our goal is to create a welcoming academic environment in which all graduate students are positioned to succeed in the advancement and creation of new knowledge.

# **Application Guidelines**

The online application fee is \$75 per program. Many departments have deadlines as early as December 1 for the following fall semester. To apply for graduate admission or learn about specific deadlines, requirements, and instructions for your program of interest, please visit **grad.umn.edu/diversity/preparingforgradschool**.

# **Funding Your Graduate Education**

For the 2018–19 academic year, full-time (6–14 credits) general graduate tuition and fees will be \$17,832 for in-state residents and \$26,988 for non-residents per year. Tuition rates and credit plateaus vary by school or program. Teaching, research, and administrative assistantships and fellowships provide the most common forms of support for graduate students. Assistantships may include a stipend, cost of tuition and a health premium for university-subsidized comprehensive health insurance. Tuition is waived for students holding a 50% assistantship. Since departments award assistantships appointments as well as other field-specific fellowships and traineeships, please contact the Director of Graduate Studies in your program for more information. Students may also find campus-wide assistantships through the Graduate Assistantship Employment Office.

# Diversity of Views & Experiences (DOVE) Fellowship

The DOVE Fellowship is awarded to first-year students from underrepresented groups and provides a stipend, tuition, and subsidized health insurance for one academic year. Prospective students must be nominated by an eligible graduate program. Students who wish to be nominated should contact their Director of Graduate Studies in advance. Recipients of the DOVE Fellowship are encouraged to participate in the GSDO Summer Research Institute (July-August) to prepare for their graduate experience. At least two fellowships will be awarded to McNair Scholars. A FAQ is located on our website.

#### **Community of Scholars Program**

The Community of Scholars Program (COSP) works towards creating an institutional environment that supports the academic and professional success of Native Americans and graduate students of color (U.S. citizens and permanent residents) who are historically underrepresented in academia. COSP focuses on student retention through community building and professional development. The COSP Writing Initiative provides individual consultation, writing groups, workshops, and retreats. Writing space can also be reserved. For further information and for a schedule of workshops and events, visit **grad.umn.edu/diversity/cosp**.

#### **Diverse Communities**

Our communities of color are growing. Minnesota has the fourth highest rate of minority population increase in the country. The University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus has approximately 52,500 students of whom 15% are students of color.

#### GSDO initiatives, programs and activities

Please refer to our website for more information on the following:

- Undergraduate Research
   Opportunities, including the
   Multicultural Summer Research
   Opportunities Program (MSROP)
- · McNair Scholars Resources
- University & national funding resources
- Graduate Student Community Organizations
- Academic and Professional Support programs
- · Diverse Communities

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On our website, www.grad.umn.edu/ **diversity**, please complete the online "Request for Information" form to receive important information about your graduate program of interest and the application process.



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