



NOMINATION FORM
Excellence Fellowships FY21

College: 1/2 match @ Dept base + 10%; tuition, fees, and insurance, if needed, 1st year

Department: 1/2 match @ Dept base + 10%, 1st year

Nominee’s Name: _____ UIN _____

Ethnicity or Underrepresented Group: _____ US Citizen: ____ Int’l ____

Degree Sought: ____ Major: _____ Department _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Summary of Applicant’s Academic Background:

Bachelor’s degree: University: _____ GPA: _____

Master’s degree: University: _____ GPA: _____

Departmental Information:

Nominating Department: _____

Faculty Advisor (if known): _____

Signature(s) Verify Departmental Assistantship: 1/2 match @ Dept base + 10%, 1st year

Head or _____ **Email** _____

Associate Head: (Signature, date)

Faculty Advisor: _____ **Email** _____

(Signature, if known, date)

Deadline:

- **Applications will be accepted through January 20, 2020;** then selections will be made.
- After January 21st, applications will be screened on a weekly basis. For truly outstanding applicants, decisions may be made in a timelier manner.
- Departments can submit College Merit Fellowship applicants that were not selected. Simply, resubmit the College Merit Fellowship form for the Excellence Fellowship
- Applications will be accepted until funds are exhausted.

Nomination Packet should include:

1. Complete the Nominating Cover Form
2. Complete the one-page nominating statement from the Department or Faculty Advisor
3. Complete the Scoring Rubric



Nominating Statement from Department or Faculty Advisor

Briefly, give evaluative comments as to why this individual is one of your top graduate applicants. Details and metrics should be listed on the Scoring Rubric. Include how the applicant will make a unique contribution to the college. (Do not exceed this page)



Scoring Rubric – Supporting Information

Nominations will be evaluated with a scoring rubric using the areas and weights below. In addition, GPA will constitute a 20% weight, and will be calculated from the data supplied on the cover sheet. From the nominee’s graduate application, statement of purpose and letters of recommendation, briefly highlight the nominee’s attributes in each category. Scoring: 1 to 10 with 10 being the highest and 1 being the lowest.

Academics (weight 25%)

On a scale of 1 to 10, score = _____

Based on University or program attended, clarity of career objectives, Ph.D. candidate, commitment to pursue a Ph.D., class rank, academic awards and honors, etc. This is your impression of the overall academic training and potential of the student.

High Impact Experiential Learning (weight 25%)

On a scale of 1 to 10, score = _____

Based on research experience (REU, honors research, graduate research, independent study, etc.) study abroad, internship, special project, etc. In order to score 10, the student **must have** an independent research experience that resulted in some type of presentation, posters, abstracts, publications, etc.– please list.

Demonstrated Leadership, Contribution to College Diversity; intangibles that formulate your strong support (weight 15%)

On a scale of 1 to 10, score = _____

Based on leadership experiences, involvement in societies/organizations within and beyond department / university (e.g. clubs, scientific societies, officer positions), contribution to diversity in the college, life intangibles, etc.

Strength of letters of recommendation (weight 15%)

On a scale of 1 to 10, score = _____

Indicate overall strength of the external letters of recommendation. If possible, indicate overall quantitative (e.g. top 1%, top quartile, etc.) or qualitative ranking (e.g. best, above average, etc.).