**NOMINATION FORM**

**Excellence Fellowships FY22**

**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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Summary of Applicant’s Academic Background:**

Bachelor’s degree: University: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ GPA on a 4.0 scale: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Master’s degree: University: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ GPA on a 4.0 scale: \_\_\_\_\_\_

**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 (first-round) are due on February 1, 2021.**
* Beginning on February 15th, new Excellence Fellowship applications will be screened weekly.
* Merit Fellowship nominees who were not selected for a Merit Fellowship will automatically be considered for an Excellence Fellowship unless you tell us otherwise.
* Excellence Fellowship applications will be considered until funds are exhausted.

**Nomination Packet should include:**

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

**Nominating Statement from Department or Faculty Advisor**

**Briefly**, provide 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 describe the nominee’s attributes in each category. Provide a score on a scale of 1-10 (10 best, 1 lowest). Use as much space as needed to justify your score in each category.

**Academics** (weight 30%)On a scale of 1 to 10, score = \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the nominee’s attributes based on University or program attended, clarity of career objectives, commitment to pursue a Ph.D., class rank, academic awards and honors, etc. This is your impression of the overall academic training and future potential of the student.

**High Impact Experiential Learning** (weight 25%) On a scale of 1 to 10, score = \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the nominee’s attributes based on research experience (REU, honors research, graduate research, independent study, etc.), study abroad, internship, special project, etc. To score a 10, the student **must have** an independent research experience that resulted in some type of presentation, e.g., posters, abstracts, publications, etc.– please list the presentation.

**Demonstrated Leadership, Contribution to College Diversity; attributes that formulate your strong support** (weight 15%) On a scale of 1 to 10, score = \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the nominee’s attributes based on leadership experiences, involvement in societies, organizations, within and beyond department/university (e.g., clubs, scientific societies, officer position), contribution to diversity in the college, other experiences, etc.

**Strength of letters of recommendation** (weight 10%)On a scale of 1 to 10, score = \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly discuss the 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., 10, top 1%, one of best students; 9, top 5%, excellent student; 8, top 10%, very good student; 7, top 15-25%, good student, etc.)