

Homeland Security Scholarship OR Fellowship

Purpose	To ensure a diverse and talented supply of individuals that can help the Department of Homeland Security meet its mission, particularly in areas related to science and technology. Review the Homeland Security mission at www.dhs.gov .
Award	
<i>Tenable</i>	Scholarship: at Kansas State. Fellowship: at any accredited American college.
<i>Number & Amount</i>	Number of awards has varied. Scholarship: \$9,000 plus tuition & fees each year. Also \$5000 for internship through DHS. Fellowship: of \$27,600 plus tuition & fees each year. Internship funding between first and second year is included.
<i>Duration</i>	Scholarship funds two years. Fellowship funds up to three years.
Eligibility	
<i>Who</i>	US citizens. 3.3 or higher GPA. Students majoring in <i>homeland security related science, technology, engineering and mathematics (HS-STEM) fields</i> who have interests related to one or more homeland security research areas. Those research foci are listed at: www.orau.gov/dhsed/ResearchAreas/researchareas.html .
<i>When</i>	Scholarship: second year of college attendance. Fellowship: final undergraduate year or first year of Masters or PhD or recent graduate. Note that there are some additional stipulations on the website.
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Application components are rated. Career goals aligned with the DHS mission. Academic record and relevant research experience. Note that many applicants will have research interests for which homeland security is only one of several potential applications. That is acceptable and expected in many cases.
Campus Deadline	None.
Deadline	January in recent years. Check the website often. Application posted in past years with a limited window of time for completion.
Application	Application form with resume data. Research Experience essay. Research Interests essay. Contribution to DHS essay. Two reference letters (with form). Transcripts. Proof of citizenship. GRE scores for DHS Fellowship.
Contact	Jim Hohenbary is happy to talk about the DHS awards. He can be reached at 112 Eisenhower or (785) 532-6904.
Other	Link to both the scholarship and fellowship from www.orau.gov/dhsed . The DHS awards were first introduced in 2003. Five students from Kansas State have won since then (three scholars & two fellows). Interested students should also review the Truman Scholarship, SMART Defense Scholarship, NSF Graduate Fellowship and NDSEG Fellowships. Women might also review the Horizons Scholarship at http://wid.ndia.org/horizon/Scholar.htm .