

## Jacob K. Javits Graduate Fellowship

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<b>Purpose</b>	To assist students of superior ability as they pursue terminal degrees in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Honors the strong support that Senator Javits extended to education and the arts.
<b>Award</b>	
<i>Tenable</i>	Apply to terminal degree (MFA or PhD) at an accredited graduate school.
<i>Number &amp; Amount</i>	Number depends upon funding from Congress (anywhere from 30 to 80). All tuition/fees covered by a payment to the institution. Also an annual stipend of up to \$30,000 (based on calculation of financial need).
<i>Duration</i>	One year but renewable. Four years of funding possible.
<b>Eligibility</b>	
<i>Who</i>	US citizens or nationals, permanent residents or citizens of one the Freely Associated States. Award allocation by field: 20% to Fine Arts, 20% to Social Sciences, and 60% to Humanities. Must be able to qualify for FAFSA support.
<i>When</i>	Undergraduate senior. Or first year of MFA or PhD. Students can also apply (to fund an MFA or PhD) in the final year of an MA program.
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Application components scored according to fixed point allocation. Assessed on academic record, awards and honors, letters of reference and personal statement. Portfolio also scored for students in the arts. <i>A minimum of sixty percent of the awards shall be made to students who have no graduate credits.</i>
<b>Campus Deadline</b>	None.
<b>Deadline</b>	September or October in recent years.
<b>Application</b>	Applicant information form with space for academic honors and awards. GRE scores. Certification of Eligibility form. Transcripts. Personal statement. Three letters of reference. Financial forms. Must also complete FAFSA after deadline. Portfolio for students in the arts.
<b>Contact</b>	Jim Hohenbary works with students who wish to compete for the Javits. He can be reached at 112 Eisenhower or (785) 532-6904.
<b>Other</b>	Social science applicants might also look into the NSF Graduate Fellowship. The De Karman Fellowship gives priority to students in the humanities. Note that the Mellon, which also supported PhD study in the humanities, was terminated in 2005.  More information is available at <a href="http://www.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/index.html">www.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/index.html</a> .