

Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship

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| Purpose | The Hertz Foundation strives to “provide unique financial and fellowship support to the nation’s most remarkable PhD students in the physical, biological and engineering sciences.” They focus on supporting future leaders in the applied physical sciences. |
| Award | |
| <i>Tenable</i> | At schools screened by the Hertz Foundation (about fifty schools are listed). You can also petition to use at other schools though. For graduate study in fields of interest to the Hertz Foundation. |
| <i>Number & Amount</i> | Number will vary. Between 10 and 20 usually. Tuition and fees are paid. \$32,000 stipend if not accepted in conjunction with another fellowship. |
| <i>Duration</i> | Renewable. Maximum duration is five years. Also a coordinated option for students who additionally win another fellowship. For example: Hertz offers two years of funding (with higher stipend) for students who win an NSF Fellowship. |
| Eligibility | |
| <i>Who</i> | US citizen or permanent resident. Expected to make a moral commitment to make your skills available to the United States in times of national emergency. Eligible fields include disciplines in the natural sciences and engineering, as well mathematics and statistics. An “applied” focus is key. Defined as “. . . fields of endeavor in which one applies, invents, and/or develops results from the basic physical sciences” in order to solve problems of widespread interest. |
| <i>When</i> | College seniors or graduate students in their first year of doctoral study. Students who have earned or completed a master’s degree are only eligible to apply if they are pursuing a PhD in a different field. <i>Selection Criteria</i> Technical ability. Potential for creativity and innovative research. Commitment to the applied physical sciences. Research, published work and professional experience are valued. Character is also important. Stellar transcript is expected, but a perfect GPA is not the critical factor. |
| Campus Deadline | None. |
| Deadline | October deadline. |
| Application | Four brief essays regarding goals, accomplishments and educational plans. Personal essay. Four references. Option to upload supplemental information. Transcripts in hard copy. GRE scores. Technical interview if named as a finalist. |
| Contact | Jim Hohenbary can assist you regarding the Hertz Fellowship. He can be reached at 204 Leadership Studies or (785) 532-3422. |
| Other | More information is available at www.hertzfoundation.org . Interested students should also review the NSF Grad Fellowship, EPA Star Fellowship, SMART Defense Scholarship and NDSEG Fellowship. |

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