

WELCOME

Professional Doctoral Students

PROFESSIONAL DOCTORAL DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

UCF's College of Graduate Studies offers the Professional Doctoral Diversity Fellowship to outstanding students who are newly enrolling in one of UCF's Professional Doctoral programs during the Summer or Fall semester. Nominations are encouraged for outstanding students from traditionally underrepresented populations and must be submitted by the Graduate Program Director. Eligibility is restricted to U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Qualifying disciplines include: Curriculum and Instruction EdD, Educational Leadership EdD, Nursing Practice DNP, and Physical Therapy DPT. Fellowship payments, tuition support, and health insurance coverage will begin in the Fall semester.

In addition to individual health insurance coverage and tuition (at the university's standard tuition rate), the fellowship pays an award of \$3,000 (\$1,500 in Fall and Spring) for up to three years.

Duration of Award: Maximum of three years of support for doctoral students in one of UCF's Professional Doctoral Degrees

Fellowship Stipend: \$3,000 per year (\$1,500 in Fall and Spring)

Tuition Support: UCF College of Graduate Studies provides a tuition waiver for the standard university tuition charges (currently \$288.16 per credit hour) for courses required by the professional doctoral program during each year of the award. The student is responsible for the payment of local fees (health fee, athletic fee, building fee, etc.) and any additional program charges beyond the university's standard graduate tuition rate.

Health Insurance: A UCF Student Health Insurance Policy through UnitedHealthcare and serviced by Gallagher Student Health & Special Risk will be provided for your individual coverage for the duration of the award.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

Available to incoming doctoral students who have been accepted to a Professional Doctoral program (DNP, DPT, or EdD) for the Summer or Fall semester.

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident from a traditionally underrepresented population.
- A highly competitive GRE score for your program.
- Evidence of experience in the field.
- Full-time enrollment is required. Students pursuing their degree on a part-time basis (less than 9 graduate hours in Fall and Spring) are not eligible.

Nomination Process:

Graduate Program Directors submit the fellowship nomination form to the College of Graduate Studies at gradfellowship@ucf.edu by **February 1**.

Fellowship Obligations:

Maintain good academic standing and acceptable progress to degree.

- Maintain full-time enrollment in your Professional Doctoral Degree program during the Fall and Spring semesters. Students who enroll full-time in the Summer semester will receive tuition support (at the standard university rate) for 6 credit hours.
- Participate in Graduate Fellowship Community events.