**Doctoral Student Dissertation Grant Opportunities**

**National Institutes of Health**

General information: <https://researchtraining.nih.gov/programs/fellowships/F31>

Specific details: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-21-051.html>

**Funding:** Provides 2-5 years of funding (tuition, stipend, fees) for predoctoral students to conduct their dissertation under close mentorship.

**Eligibility:** The candidate must be at the dissertation research stage of training at the time of award and must show evidence of high academic performance in the sciences, and commitment to a career as an independent research scientist. The candidate must be currently enrolled in a PhD or equivalent research degree program (e.g., EngD, DNSc, DrPH, DSW, PharmD, ScD) in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences at a domestic or foreign institution. *\*Please see the link above for all eligibility criteria.*

**Some hints:** If you are eligible, it probably makes the most sense to apply during your second year in the program. Your mentorship team and training plans are as important as your research idea. Your primary mentors should be well-funded experts in the field with a demonstrated record of mentoring students into independent research positions.

**National Science Foundation**

General information: <https://www.nsfgrfp.org/>

**Funding:** Provides 3 years of funding (tuition, stipend, fees) for predoctoral students to conduct their dissertation under close mentorship.

**Eligibility:** Have never earned a master’s or professional degree in any field, or completed more than one academic year in a graduate degree-granting program, unless (i) returning to graduate study after an interruption of two or more consecutive years immediately preceding the application deadline, and; (ii) not enrolled in a graduate degree program at the application deadline. You also must be a US citizen, US national, or permanent resident. *\*Please see the link above for all eligibility criteria.*

**Some hints:** If you are eligible, you’ll need to apply within your first two years in the program. You are only allowed to apply one time to the GRFP while enrolled in a graduate degree program, submitted in either the first or second year of graduate school. This foundation really prefers to fund basic science and theoretical studies.

**University of Oregon Dissertation Fellowships**

General information: <https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/funding/awards/dissertation-research-fellowships>

**Funding:** Paid GE position for one academic year; tuition, fee and insurance remission; and $6,000 supplemental award.

**Eligibility:** Doctoral students advanced to candidacy by the end of the spring term the application is due (usually December).

Talk with your advisor about these opportunities!

Student can also access proposal development resources, including videos, on the [OVPRI website](https://research.uoregon.edu/plan/plan-project/proposal-development) and contact any of the [current three Research Development Services staff members](https://research.uoregon.edu/about/administrative-units/research-development-services) to assist one-on-one with proposal development and submission.