



Summer 2024 Dissertation Award

Deadline: December 18, 2023

The Graduate School is pleased to announce the competition for Summer 2024 Dissertation Award for advanced Ph.D. students. The award provides summer support to advanced Ph.D. students while they work full-time on their dissertations. Consideration will be given to Ph.D. candidates who have an approved prospectus on file, with any necessary IRB or IACUC approvals in place, by December 18, 2023, and who anticipate defending their dissertations by May 31, 2025. Former recipients of a Summer Dissertation Award are ineligible. The application requires the signed endorsement of the dissertation advisor, confirming that the student has sufficient resources and faculty support to conduct full-time dissertation work during the summer and an up-to-date annual review/IDP.

Eligibility

Consideration for awards will be given to Ph.D. students who:

- Have satisfied all the requirements for their degrees except the final dissertation defense;
- Have not exceeded the seven-year limit for completion;
- Have completed sufficient work on their dissertation projects, plus have resources and faculty support in place to devote full-time to completing and defending their dissertations by May 31, 2025. ***Students who plan to defend in Spring/Summer 2024 are not eligible.***
- Have not previously received a Summer Dissertation Award;
- Have been continuously enrolled following a successful prospectus defense.

Terms and Conditions of the Award

- The award period is Summer 2024.
- The award provides a stipend of \$5,000.
- Students must agree to commit full-time to their dissertations.
- Students may not accept other forms of employment during the award period.
- Students will be required to pay back the stipend for failure to devote full time to their dissertations.
- Application deadline is December 18, 2023 by 5:00 pm.
- Award notifications will be announced in writing by January 22, 2024.
- Recipients are required to provide a brief report, co-signed by the dissertation advisor, on achievements during the award period. This report is due by August 31, 2024 to gradawards@wayne.edu.

Application Requirements

- Completed application form, summarizing the dissertation project and progress to date in non-technical language.
- A supporting letter from the dissertation advisor confirming the student has sufficient resources, including faculty support, to engage in full-time dissertation work during the Summer 2024, and, in all likelihood, will defend prior to May 31, 2025.
- The Graduate Director's signature confirming support of this application.
- A completed [annual review](#) for 2022-23, showing evidence of professional development activity beyond the classroom, such as conference presentations, publications, grant writing, performance or exhibitions.

Criteria for Judging Applications

- Dissertation progress and likelihood of completion
 - Statement of purpose or research question in non-technical language
 - Articulation of specific aims, key objectives, or hypotheses
 - Significance of the dissertation research/scholarly activity
 - Summarizes work completed to date and outlines plans for completing the project, including a timeline of activities through the projected date of defense
- Advisor and program support (1 to 2 page letter)
- Evidence of professional development, including but not limited to the following:
 - Publications and other scholarly works (including in press and manuscripts submitted)
 - Discipline-specific conference participation (include dates)
 - Career development activities (such as attending professional development seminars hosted by OVPR, Graduate School, departments, etc...)

Questions may be directed to Ph.D. Office Manager, Karen Schramm

gradawards@wayne.edu



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Name _____
Last First

Student ID # _____ E-mail address: _____

Ph.D. Department _____

Dissertation Advisor _____ Advisor's email _____

Dissertation Title _____

When was the Prospectus approved by the Graduate School? _____
(Please make certain that the approved form is on file.) Month/Year

Please check all that apply from the following:

- ☐ completed the literature review.
- ☐ collected all necessary data/texts/raw materials for analysis.
- ☐ completed analysis for the dissertation.

Anticipated defense date: _____
Month/Year

Signature below confirms support of the Students Application

Graduate Director _____
Print

Graduate Director Signature _____ Date _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

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Part I. Dissertation Research/Scholarship summary. Provide a brief summary of the dissertation research/scholarship including the statement of purpose, hypotheses, or specific aims, plus the research/scholarly methodology, and significance of research/scholarship.

Part II. Please document the work completed thus far toward a completed dissertation.

Part III. Please describe in a timeline the activities to be pursued during the award period. Explain how these activities will expedite the dissertation progress.

Part IV. List below any professional presentations and publications and works in progress. Please include names, dates and location of the conferences and journals. List any honors, awards and scholarships received. List conferences attended (where you did not make a presentation).

Part VI. Signatures

Please sign below indicating your confirmation of the accuracy of the above information and that, if you receive an award, you will not accept employment of any kind during the award period of Summer 2024.

Applicant's signature

Date

Dissertation Advisor: Please sign below indicating that you endorse the above signed student's application for a Summer 2024 Dissertation Award and that the student has sufficient resources and faculty support to conduct full-time dissertation work in the summer.

Dissertation Advisor's signature

Date

**Please return the completed application no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 18,
2023 to Karen Schramm
gradawards@wayne.edu**