

FELLOWSHIP FAQs

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Q? Are residents or citizens of countries other than the United States eligible for applic fellowships?

A. Yes, all women scientists who are conducting research in the natural sciences and the soci regardless of nationality are eligible for any of the GWIS Fellowships.

Q? May the funds awarded by the GWIS Fellowships be used for research conducted o States or by a non-U.S. institution?

A. Yes, all funds awarded by GWIS Fellowships are made to the institution and the research s locations proposed in the application. Any location is eligible for scientific research.

Q? Does GWIS offer travel funding to professional or scientific conferences?

A. No, the GWIS Fellowships may only be used to fund travel for field or collaborative research other purposes is an ineligible expense. GWIS no longer offers specific fellowships for travel conferences.

Q? When will I be notified GWIS's awards decision?

A. Approval of recommendations of the awards winners is made annually during the June GWIS Applicants for GWIS Fellowships can expect to be notified of their award status no later tha following the GWIS National meeting.

Q? When is the deadline for GWIS Fellowships applications?

A. The application deadline for all GWIS Fellowships applications is **January 11, 2021 at 5:00: Time.**

Q? May I use the funds from GWIS Fellowships retroactively?

A. No, the Fellowships Funds may not be used to reimburse research project expenses retroa

Q? Are social science researchers eligible for GWIS Fellowships?

A. GWIS Fellowships are intended to provide supplemental funding to women scientists condu natural sciences. Fields of social science that use the scientific method are eligible to apply research must use the scientific method as described below:

Scientific Method:

Make Observations – Identify a Problem(s)/question(s)

Formulate a Hypothesis

Design an Experimental Protocol

Collect Data

Evaluate Data – Draw Conclusions

***Only hypothesis-driven research is eligible for GWIS Fellowships.

Q? What are the requirements for GWIS Fellowships applications?

A. First, all applicants must be women scientists who have already completed a bachelor's de

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conducting research in the natural sciences. Second, all applicants are encouraged to become a member at the time of the application. For those who are not members, there is a \$50 application fee paid in US dollars prior to submission of the application. All applications must be complete by the deadline along with the application fee if appropriate. **(January 11, 2021 at 5:00:00 pm)**

Q? Will you accept late letters of recommendation?

- A.** No, we will not accept any letter of recommendation after the deadline. Make sure your letters are submitted before the deadline and do not hesitate to ask them for confirmation that they have submitted their letters. Only complete applications will be sent out for review.

Q? How many applications were received last year and how many awards were made?

- A.** For the 2020-2021 funding cycle, 210 complete applications were received. Seven fellowships were awarded approximately \$50,000 and thirteen honorable mentions were selected. To see a list of the fellows, go to [current fellowship awardees](#).

Q? Is GWIS membership a requirement for application to the GWIS Fellowships?

- A.** No, GWIS Fellowships applicants are not required to be GWIS members, but we encourage membership with no application fee for members. For non-members, the application fee is \$50.

Q? Can I apply for a GWIS Fellowship if I have already secured funding for my project or have pending support?

- A.** Financial need of research funding is a requirement for the application. No project that has already been funded will be eligible for the awards. All pending funding sources must be listed in the application. We will consider these when assessing the financial need of the project.

Q? How do I review reviewer feedback for my application?

- A.** Applicants can view reviewer feedback on the [GWIS Fellowships submissions portal](#). Simply log into your application, and then click on the arrow on the right side of the "Reviewer Feedback" section. The reviewer feedback associated with each review can be viewed by clicking on the eyes to the right side of the reviewer's name.

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