Fuerstenberg Fellowships 2025-2026



Application Instructions

AWARD

The Edith Fuerstenberg, Naomi Fuerstenberg, and Simon Fuerstenberg Fellowships are awarded to University of Chicago students in all fields of study who also have pursued, are pursuing, or have expressed an intention to pursue Jewish theological seminary training. The fellowship may also be awarded to students with financial need. While students in all fields are encouraged to apply, priority will be given to those pursuing Jewish Studies, broadly defined. Fellowships of up to \$12,500 each are awarded to defray research and living expenses during the award period (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026).

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be pursuing a full-time degree at the University of Chicago in one of the graduate academic divisions (Biological Sciences, Humanities, Physical Sciences, Social Sciences, Institute for Molecular Engineering, Divinity School), professional schools (Booth, Harris, Law, Pritzker, Social Service Administration), or the College;
- Students of any citizenship may apply;
- Students who have previously received a Fuerstenberg Fellowship may re-apply in subsequent competitions but renewed funding is not guaranteed;
- NOTE: recipients must submit a report summarizing academic and research activity during the grant period on/before June 30, 2026.

APPLICATION PROCESS

By **April 15, 2025 at 5pm CST,** applicants must submit the following materials via e-mail to the UChicagoGRAD Fellowships Office (grad-fellowships@uchicago.edu). Selection decisions are generally announced by June 2.

- Fuerstenberg Fellowship Application and Financial Summary Form (following page);
- One-page statement (500 words or less) that describes the applicant's research interests and how the Fuerstenberg Fellowship will assist in reaching academic goals;
- Official University of Chicago transcript listing courses and grades*;
- Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from the applicant's advisor**.

Questions should be directed to UChicagoGRAD Fellowships (grad-fellowships@uchicago.edu).

^{*} student can request that e-transcripts be sent to grad-fellowships@uchicago.edu

^{**}Faculty can e-mail letters of recommendation to grad-fellowships@uchicago.edu; letters should be signed on letterhead.

Fuerstenberg Fellowships 2025-2026

Signature



Date

Application and Financial Summary Form

APPLICANT INFORMATION Name: ChicagoID: Address: E-mail: Apt.: City: State: Zip: Phone: Country of Citizenship & Visa Status: Division: Department: Admitted to PhD candidacy? Y Year in program in 25-26: Recommender (1): (2): PROJECTED FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR AWARD PERIOD July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 Description Amount Sources of Income Indebtedness Other fellowships for which student applied (if awarded, please alert UChicagoGRAD) Persons in household I certify that this information is true, complete, and given in good faith.

Submit this form with the other required materials to grad-fellowships@uchicago.edu by April 15, 2025 at 5pm CST.