GRADUATE STUDENT SALARY BONUS PROGRAM

I am delighted to announce a program to incentivize obtaining external funding for students in the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS). This program is one of the suggestions from the recent strategic planning exercise led by the faculty and is designed to encourage our students to obtain outside salary funding. Basically, the Office of Research will provide a one-year $5,000 supplement for students who successfully write and are funded for a full fellowship paid by an external source.

FAQ

What is an “external source?” A federal source (NIH, NSF) or non-federal source (foundation, patient advocacy group or a pharmaceutical company) qualifies. Having your mentor put you on their grant is not something that you wrote and this program would not apply to that type of support. If you are unsure if a program qualifies for this bonus, please ask.

Why should I bother with this, besides the cash, of course? Eventually you will apply for postdoctoral training and for a job. Demonstrating that you have been successful in obtaining funding is important and will make you stand out from others.

Where can I find a list of places to apply? Here

Can my mentor help me write it? Yes—and the GSBS can help you, too. The GSBS contact is Dr. Wendy Pruitt (Email: wendy.pruitt@ttuhsc.edu; Phone: 743-2624).

When does it start? Anything funded after January 1, 2015.

Does it apply to non-US citizens? Yes, our program applies to all full-time TTUHSC students in all schools and all campuses, but some funding agencies only accept applications from US citizens.