Presidential MAGNET Five Year Fellowship
For Students Entering 2014-2019

The Presidential MAGNET Fellowship is a five-year fellowship for incoming students from underrepresented groups who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

The Fellowship is composed of a stipend, tuition award and a Graduate Assistantship. The award covers full tuition for the first five years of study. The award also provides an annual stipend of $27,000 for the first five years of study. The Fellow will receive a $1,000 startup stipend in the first year to help with the costs of beginning his/her doctoral studies. Additionally, during year three a $1,500 research/travel stipend is provided to help lay the ground work for the dissertation project. The Fellow will be eligible for low cost student health insurance (NYSHIP) for five years. Please see the following link for information:

http://www.gc.cuny.edu/Prospective-Current-Students/Student-Life/Health-Wellness/Health-Insurance

Presidential Magnet Fellows are appointed as Graduate Assistants for five years. In years 1, 2, and 3 the Fellow serves as a Graduate Assistant assigned to mentoring undergraduates in the CUNY Pipeline Program. In the 4th year the Graduate Assistantship duties will include two assignments each semester. He/she will be assigned to teach one course at a CUNY undergraduate college. The second assignment will be to mentor undergraduates in the CUNY Pipeline Program. Finally, in the fifth year the Fellow has a non-teaching assignment which requires 15 hours a week service on projects related to CUNY undergraduate education.

Students who accept the Presidential MAGNET Fellowship are required to attend monthly colloquiums here at the Graduate Center, mentor undergraduate student who are pursuing a career in college teaching and participate in the administration of the CUNY Pipeline Program.

Other funding is available to students at the Graduate Center and a Presidential Magnet Fellow may apply for the following:

- The Graduate Student Research Program (GSRP) competition for an award of up to $1500 to support students’ academic research. Fellows may apply annually for this award during years 2 through 7 of their study. Please see the following link for the GRSP guidelines: http://web.gc.cuny.edu/orup/funding.html

- The Graduate Center’s Sue Rosenberg Zalk Student Travel and Research Fund for $200-$300 to attend a conference or to cover research expenses. (Students may apply annually for these funds).

- Schomburg Archival Dissertation Fellowship. Awards will allow the successful applicants to spend the academic year in residence at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, as well as be attached to the work of the Schomburg’s Scholars-in-Residence Program.

- The Graduate Center’s Dissertation Fellowship competition. Advanced students are eligible to hold a Dissertation Fellowship when they are Level 3. While they may not hold a major dissertation fellowship and a Presidential Magnet Fellowship at the same time, a Dissertation Fellowship is a potential source of subsequent fellowship support. Guidelines can be found on the Provost’s Office web site.