

Dean's Award for Graduate Student Research, 2026-2027

The College of Liberal Arts Dean's Award for Graduate Student Research aims to support graduate student academic and professional development. The award provides funding for eligible costs related to research or creative activity, thesis, or dissertation completion. Each full-time graduate student is eligible to receive one award per academic year. Funds permitting, additional applications may be considered.

Awards and Due Date

The College awards range from \$100 up to \$1000 to defray costs of research or creative activity related to completion of the graduate program. Funding will be awarded from the Bobbitt Family and the Drs. Benedict and Trudy Termini graduate endowments. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Funding is limited and may expire toward the end of the academic year.

Eligible Costs and Reimbursement Process: Any costs need to be such that UTA's regular reimbursement processes can be followed. Receipts need to be turned in as quickly as possible. Receipts received later than August 1, 2027, will not be considered.

All travel expenses must be properly submitted into Concur in good order by close of business on the 60th calendar day after the last day of travel. For more information on travel requirements, please refer to [UTA's travel guidelines](#).

Eligible costs: Conference travel, data collection, film/video production, digitization associated with archives or libraries, coaching/private lessons related to final recital, translation or transcribing services, and other similar costs will be considered.

Ineligible Costs: Books, tuition, tutoring not related to a tangible product or performance, wages, social activities or course releases. Additionally, these awards do not cover equipment or substitute for resources normally available to students.

Enrollment Requirement: Applicants must be in good academic standing; students on academic probation are not eligible. Students who travel in summer must be enrolled full time in the preceding spring semester. Doctoral students who have only dissertation hours remaining may enroll in a minimum of 3 credit hours.

Reporting Requirement: All award recipients will be expected to present their projects at the COLA Spotlight on Student Research Symposium. Presentations at other UTA, COLA or departmental conferences may also satisfy this requirement.

Supporting Documents:

1. Personal statement outlining activity or project and justification for requested fund
2. Letter/email of support from departmental graduate advisor
3. Conference acceptance (if applicable)

[Application Form](#) (UTA ID required)