

# **2023 School of Graduate Studies Awards Instructions**

## 2024 Richard A. Zdanis Research Fellowship Award

The School of Graduate Studies is pleased once again to announce that we are accepting nominations for the Zdanis Award, which is a fellowship fund in honor of Provost and University Vice President Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Physics Richard A. Zdanis. The purpose of the fund is to provide \$5,000 in financial support to help PhD candidates complete work on their dissertations.

After submission, you will receive an email confirmation of submission sent by CampusGroups. If you do not receive this, your entry may be saved as a draft in your account or you have turned off notifications from CampusGroups. If you do not receive the email confirmation and you believe you did complete your submission, please contact us at [sgsevents@case.edu](mailto:sgsevents@case.edu). You will receive a second email once we have reviewed and processed your nomination. NOTE: Neither of these emails mean the student you have nominated has been selected to receive the award.

The departmental chair or program directors, in consultation with department faculty, designate the department's nominee for the Zdanis Award. Ea0.6 ( pr)9m 58 Tm [(Gfh)6 (e)69 (m)-1.9 ( pr)9m 58 2h 3anie.6 (nd)0s





## 2024 The Graduate Dean's Instructional Excellence Award

The School of Graduate Studies is pleased once again to announce that we are accepting nominations for the Graduate Dean's Instructional Excellence Award. This award is available to graduate student teaching assistants who demonstrate outstanding achievement in instruction in undergraduate classes within the past year. It presents academic departments with an annual opportunity to honor graduate students who have shown exceptional skill and dedication. It is also a way for us to stress the importance we place on the undergraduate experience at CWRU.

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## 2024The Lenore A Kola Graduate Student Community Service Award

The School of Graduate Studies is pleased once again to announce that we are accepting nominations for the Lenore A Kola Graduate Student Community Award. Dr. Lenore A. Kola was an Associate Professor of Social Work at the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences and former Dean of the School of Graduate Studies (2001-2004). During her time as Dean, Dr. Kola implemented numerous changes in Graduate Studies that have increased services that Graduate Studies provides to its constituents.

Dr. Kola also mentored graduate students in the Graduate Student Senate Executive Committee to become more actively engaged in the life of the university. During Dr. Kola's tenure the Graduate Student Senate (GSS) independently launched a "Save the Graduate Dean" campaign when the university leadership was closely examining the need for this position. Dr. Kola's mentoring encouraged a number of graduate students involved with GSS to give back to the university community which resulted in a very active GSS that sought to serve their fellow graduate students on many different levels.

In recognition of Dr. Kola's contributions to the graduate student body and the Graduate Student Senate, the School of Graduate Studies created the Lenore A. Kola Graduate Student Community Service Award.

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Required documents : Before completing this form, the nominator will need to obtain the following from the student nominee. These documents will be uploaded in the form on the following pages.

- x Student's CV
- x Student's statement of involvement with a student organization.

Eligibility :

- x A graduate student whose degree is awarded by the School of Graduate Studies may be nominated by anyone in the CWRU community (faculty, staff, or student).
- x Must be a current active member of the Graduate Student Council or a student organization recognized by the Graduate Student Council.

Award : \$1,000; the award will be presented at the Graduate Studies Award Ceremony on Wednesday, May 1 at 3:00pm EDT in the Tinkham Veale Ballrooms and the monetary prize to be issued during the month of May.

Nomination Deadline: The nomination must be completed by 5:00pm EDT on Wednesday, March 20.



# 2024 Graduate Student Appreciation Award

The School of Graduate Studies is pleased to announce an opportunity for faculty, staff, and community members to recognize graduate students that make a difference on our campus and/or the Cleveland community during the past year.

After submission, you will receive an email confirmation of submission sent by CampusGroups. If you do not receive this, your entry may be saved as a draft in your account or you have turned off notifications from CampusGroups. If you do not receive the email confirmation and you believe you did complete your submission, please contact us at [sgsevents@case.edu](mailto:sgsevents@case.edu). You will receive a second email once we have reviewed and processed your nomination. NOTE: Neither of these emails mean the student you have nominated has been selected to receive the award.

Graduate school is a busy time when students focus the bulk of their energy on their graduate career. In the words of Winston Churchill, "We make a living by what we do, but we make a life by what we give."

There are graduate students on this campus that go above and beyond what's expected. Their actions improve the campus community, the city of Cleveland, and touch the lives of many people.

Do you know a graduate student that embodied these principles during the past year? Maybe they volunteer in their department, mentor younger students, are involved at Case in other professional or social groups, or donate time to a community organization. These extra-curricular activities are integral for a complete graduate student experience. We want to recognize those students that exceed the typical expectations of a graduate student and improve the lives of others around them.

**Eligibility :** A graduate student whose degree is awarded by the School of Graduate Studies.

**Award :** The award will be presented at the Graduate Studies Award Ceremony on Wednesday, May 1 at 3:00pm EDT in the Tinkham Veale Ballrooms and the monetary prize to be issued during the month of May.

**Nomination Deadline:** The nomination must be completed by 5:00pm EDT on Wednesday, March 20.

Community members who wish to nominate a student but have difficulty submitting through CampusGroups should contact us at [sgsevents@case.edu](mailto:sgsevents@case.edu)



# 2024 Departmental Awards Submission Form

Thank you for recognizing students from your department or program! Please use the following form to provide us with the information needed to include them in the Graduate Awards Ceremony. You will need to complete a separate form for each individual award winner.

This form should be completed only by those approved by their department or program to submit.

The School of Graduate Studies will host an in-person award ceremony on Wednesday, May 1 at 3:00pm EDT in the Tinkham Veale Ballrooms. We may reach out to invite an individual from your department to present your awards at the ceremony. The ceremony is also planned to be livestreamed.

After submission, you will receive an email confirmation of submission sent by CampusGroups. If you do not receive this, your entry may be saved as a draft in your account or you have turned off notifications from CampusGroups. If you do not receive the email confirmation and you believe you did complete your submission, please contact us at [sgsevents@case.edu](mailto:sgsevents@case.edu) You will receive a second email once we have reviewed and processed your submission.

NOTE: If you are submitting winners for the following awards in biomedical sciences, please do not use this form and instead contact Malana Bey: [mcb19@case.edu](mailto:mcb19@case.edu) 216.368.5655:

- x Doctoral Excellence Award (any field)
- x Academic Excellence for the Master's (any field)
- x Arthur F.W. Hughes Award
- x Charlotte Smith Award
- x Lester O. Krampitz Award for Best Predoctoral Research
- x Bioethics Student Educator of Excellence (Bioethics)
- x Herbert S. Steuer Memorial Outstanding Anatomy Educator Award
- x Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award

Deadline: The submission must be completed by 5:00pm EDT on Wednesday, March 20.