

**WAYNE STATE
UNIVERSITY**

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

**2009-2010 THOMAS C. RUMBLE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP
DEADLINE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009**

The Graduate School of Wayne State University sponsors an annual competition for the prestigious Thomas C. Rumble University Graduate Fellowship. This non-service award provides a minimum stipend for the Fellow of \$13,001 for the academic year; full tuition coverage up to a maximum of 12 graduate credit hours for the fall and winter semesters; and subsidized medical and dental insurance. A housing subsidy for the academic year is also available. Notification of the competition results is made by mail in February 2009.

ELIGIBILITY

Only full-time Ph.D. students in Social Work are eligible to participate in this competition. The Fellowships are awarded primarily on the basis of academic qualifications to eligible graduate students with clearly defined objectives in their field of scholarship and demonstrated capacity for independent study. The awards are for the 2009-2010 academic year (Fall and Winter Semesters). Renewal is not automatic and students who are reapplying are considered on the same basis as new applicants for any given year. A student who has held the Thomas C. Rumble University Graduate Fellowship for two years cannot reapply.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS

Complete the application, following the INSTRUCTIONS on the following page. The complete Fellowship application consists of these five parts:

1. The Personal Data Form;
2. The Personal Statement Form;
3. Graduate Record Exam (GRE) results;
4. Three Recommendation Forms;
5. Transcripts from all universities attended, including Wayne State University (WSU student copies from Pipeline are acceptable). Applicants are responsible for providing all transcripts listed on the Personal Data Form (copies are acceptable).

All five parts of the completed application must reach the PhD Program Office, School of Social Work by 5 P.M. on January 15, 2009.

AWARD INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE

- Recipients must be enrolled in or admitted to the Ph.D. program during the semesters for which the award is given.
- Recipients must enroll for a minimum of eight graduate credits each semester and maintain a minimum of 3.0 GPA to retain the fellowship.
- Recipients may not hold other fellowships, scholarships, assistantships, or internships.
- Recipients may not hold employment during this non-service Fellowship award period (Fall and Winter Semesters).
- Fellowship funds may be used only to support graduate courses that count towards degree requirements. The award will not pay for any undergraduate courses, audited courses or any dropped courses.
- The award may not be deferred to another time; it must be used during the period for which it is granted.
- The review process is conducted by the Doctoral Program Steering Committee. Award decisions are not subject to appeal.

INSTRUCTIONS (Retain for future reference)

1. Complete the PERSONAL DATA FORM, answering all questions. (I) "Michigan Resident" is defined on page 22 of the 2008-2010 University Graduate Bulletin. In general, if you have come to Michigan for the purpose of going to school, you are not considered a resident and will be charged non-resident tuition.
2. Complete and sign the PERSONAL STATEMENT FORM. State your educational and professional objectives clearly.
3. Have *three* RECOMMENDATION FORMS completed by individuals who can assess your academic or professional qualifications. Recommendations should be from persons able to judge you academically. The respondents should send the completed form directly to the address indicated below. The three recommendation forms must be received by the January 15, 2009 deadline. Please note, we recommend that you submit current letters of recommendation.
4. Submit TRANSCRIPTS from all colleges and universities that you have attended including WSU. (We will accept copies of transcripts). Allow sufficient time for transcripts being mailed to reach us by the deadline. You may print your WSU transcript through your Pipeline account. Because of the volume of applications received, the PhD Program Office, School of Social Work, cannot pull and combine documents from a previous file or obtain documents for applicants from any other campus office. Students who are applying for admission to the University need a separate official set of transcripts sent to the School of Social Work, PhD Program Office, 4756 Cass Avenue, (313) 577-4419, Detroit, MI 48202 in addition to submitting copies for the Fellowship application. The Fellowship competition and the admission process are two separate processes.
5. Submit copies of your Graduate Record Exam scores.
 - Applicants will receive results of the competition by mail in February 2009
 - Inquiries cannot be answered by phone.
 - The award decisions are not subject to appeal.

Please retain this sheet for future reference. If you have any questions or want to check your application status, call the PhD Program Office, School of Social Work. All application materials should be addressed to:

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PERSONAL STATEMENT FORM

In the space provided, describe your educational background and objectives. Indicate your past academic and research accomplishments, as well as new projects that you plan to accomplish. We encourage you to describe important academic projects that demonstrate your creativity, originality, initiative and capacity for independent study and research. If you need more space, attach a separated sheet. Please type.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

(Signature indicates that all information reported on this Fellowship application is complete and accurate, and if a fellowship is awarded, I agree to comply with the award agreement.)

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RECOMMENDATION FORM (3 REQUIRED)

NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT _____
Please print: (Last) (first)

Student's Waiver Certificate. TO THE STUDENT: You may voluntarily waive your right to have access to a specific Letter of Recommendation/Evaluation written about you in accordance with The Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, by signing and dating this certificate.

I waive, relinquish and disclaim all my rights to have access to the Letter of Recommendation/Evaluation described in this form.

Student's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Name of Respondent (Please Print) _____

Position and Department _____

Institution or Employer _____

Address _____

TO THE RESPONDENT: The student who has requested your recommendation is applying for a Thomas C. Rumble University Fellowship for the 2009-2010 academic year. The Selection Committee would appreciate receiving your judgment of the applicant. In particular, your impression of the candidate's academic record, preparation, and any other characteristics that you believe are related to her/his success in graduate school would be especially welcome. Indication of the candidate's financial need would also be helpful.

Please answer the following:

How long have you known the student? _____

In what capacity? _____

Compared to the other graduate students you have taught or known at your institution, please complete the following section - including the reverse side, rating each applicant on each characteristic.

CHARACTERISTIC	LOWER 50%	UPPER 50%	UPPER 25%	UPPER 10%	UPPER 5%	NO BASIS FOR JUDGEMENT
Academic Ability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
General Knowledge	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Oral Expression Skills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Originality	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Desire to Achieve	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ability to Work with Others	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership Skills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Independence and Initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Professional Commitment	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Research Skills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Teaching Skills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Potential for Success as a Faculty Member	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

(PLEASE CONTINUE ON REVERSE SIDE)

OVERALL EVALUATION: Please comment on the student's overall academic ability and potential for academic success. We encourage you to describe important academic projects that demonstrate this student's creativity, originality, initiative and capacity for independent study.

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