



Department of Biosystems
and Agricultural Engineering
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

**Department of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering (BAE)
Graduate Fellowships and Scholarships**

Awards. The following awards will be given to BAE Graduate Students during each academic year:

- (\$1,000). Outstanding BE Research Fellowship. Awardee is the department's nominee for the College of Engineering (CoE) Fitch Beach Award. Fitch Beach awards are \$3,000 (1st place), \$2,000 (2nd place) and \$1,000 (3rd place). The BAE award of \$1,000 would be given in addition to any Fitch Beach award.
- (\$2,000). Most Outstanding BE Graduate Student Fellowship. Awardee will also be recognized by the CoE as the "Most Outstanding BE Graduate Student."
- (\$2,000). Merle and Catherine Esmay Scholarship. Candidates must have graduated from a high school located in a foreign country. The application must include a one-page summary outlining the candidate's desire and intent to return to the country from which he/she graduated from high school. This summary should include the candidate's plans to utilize the degree and education obtained to better his/her country in the Agricultural Industry.
- (\$2,000) Galen and Ann Brown Scholarship. Candidates must be conducting fruit and/or vegetable related research including, but not limited to, harvest and post-harvest engineering operations intended to preserve or enhance quality or add value to the commodity.

Timing/Application/Recognition.

- **(\$1,000). Outstanding BE Research Fellowship.** Nominations for the Fitch Beach Award are due in the late January to mid-February time frame. Awardee will be recognized at the CoE Graduate Student Symposium held in late March or early April, and the BE Showcase. Students apply using the Fitch Beach application form. Note: successful applicants are typically advanced level (highly productive) PhD students near the end of their program.
- **(\$2,000). Most Outstanding BE Graduate Student Fellowship.** Awardee will be announced by the CoE and at the BE Showcase. Only currently enrolled graduate students who are continuing into the next academic year (that starts in Fall), are eligible for this award. The \$2000 award will be given to the winner at the beginning of fall semester. Students apply using the BE application form.
- **(\$2,000) Merle and Katherine Esmay, and (\$2,000) Galen and Ann Brown Scholarships.** Awardees will be recognized at the BE Showcase held in April. Only currently enrolled graduate students who are continuing into the next academic year (that starts in Fall), are eligible for this award. Dollars will be given to awardees at the beginning of fall semester. Students apply using the BE application form.

Summary

	\$\$	Call	Due	Application	Student Recognition
Outstanding Research/CoE Fitch Beach	1,000	Early Jan	As per Fitch Beach	Fitch Beach	CoE Symposium BE Showcase
Most Outstanding BE Grad Student/CoE	2,000	Early Jan	First Friday in February	BAE Dept.	BE Showcase
Merle and Katherine Esmay	2,000	Early Jan	First Friday in February	BAE Dept.	BE Showcase
Galen and Ann Brown Scholarships	2,000	Early Jan	First Friday in February	BAE Dept.	BE Showcase

Department of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Application for Graduate Fellowships and Scholarships

This application and all attachments must be submitted by the first **Friday in February every year to the D2L Community, MSU Biosystems and Ag. Engineering Graduate Scholarships**. Direct your questions to Dr. Nejadhashemi, Graduate Program Director.

Name: (last, first, middle): _____

Home Address (street, city, state, zip code):

PID # _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Degree Program: _____ Semester Started Program: _____ Semester Expect to Finish: _____

I am applying for the following fellowship/scholarship (you may check more than one; however, you may not receive multiple awards in the same year. You may apply for and receive a specific award more than once while at MSU but priority may be given to those who have not been previously awarded a specific scholarship):

¹ Most Outstanding BE Graduate Student Fellowship (\$2,000)

² Merle and Catherine Esmay Scholarship (\$2,000)

³ Galen and Ann Brown Scholarships (\$2,000)

Only currently enrolled graduate students who are continuing into the next academic year (that starts in Fall), are eligible for the above awards.

Along with this completed form you must also enclose:

- a. A copy of your program of study showing courses completed and grades received.
 - b. An updated Curriculum Vitae (CV) that includes a statement of your career objectives, and your accomplishments in three areas: research, teaching, and service.
 - c. If you are applying for the Merle and Catherine Esmay Scholarship, you must address the special requirements of the award noted below.²
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¹ No restrictions.

² Candidates must have graduated from a high school located in a foreign country. The application must include a one-page summary outlining the candidate's desire and intent to return to the country from which he/she graduated from high school. This summary should include the candidate's plans to utilize the degree and education obtained to better his/her country in the Agricultural Industry.

³ Candidates must be conducting fruit and/or vegetable related research.