



Office of the Secretary of Higher Education
Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF)
2024-2025
Graduate Grant Application

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Graduate Grant Application Deadlines:

2024 Fall & 2025 Spring Semester Graduate Grant Applications* **September 30, 2024**

2025 Spring Only Graduate Grant Applications* **February 6, 2025**

(* = Late & Incomplete Applications will not be accepted.)

9A:11-3.2 Graduate Student eligibility:

(a) The graduate EOF program is designed to provide an opportunity for New Jersey residents whose undergraduate record reflects the potential for advanced study beyond the baccalaureate degree. Eligible students shall have economic backgrounds that reflect a history of poverty as described in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.2(b)1 through 5.

(b) Students who received Article III EOF grants as undergraduates shall be given priority consideration for Article III graduate grants.

(c) To be initially eligible for an EOF Article III graduate student grant, a student must demonstrate that he or she:

1. Meets N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.2 and 2.3, which are the Tuition Aid Grant and Garden State Scholarship programs' rules governing residency, and noncitizens and resident aliens, respectively;
2. Meets the financial criteria established in N.J.A.C. 9A:11-2.3, "Financial eligibility for initial Article III student grants";
3. Is or will be a full-time graduate student as defined by the institution offering the graduate program of study; and
4. Is admitted to and enrolled full-time as defined by the participating institution in a curriculum leading to a graduate degree or certificate at an institution participating in the Fund,

provided that the student has not already received a graduate or professional degree at the same level of study for which he or she is applying.

Graduate degree and certificate programs must have a minimum requirement equivalent to 24 semester hours and be at least one academic year in duration.

(d) Students shall not receive assistance under the programs administered by the Board if they owe a refund on a grant or scholarship previously received from a State or Federal program through any institution or are in default on any loan made under any State or Federal student financial assistance program at any institution. However, such students may receive State financial assistance if they make satisfactory repayment arrangements with the appropriate office.

(e) Students attending out-of-State institutions are not eligible for Article III graduate grants.

(f) Students shall not receive an initial graduate grant in their last semester of enrollment.

Additional details regarding the EOF Graduate Grant program can be found within the EOF regulations: <https://www.nj.gov/highereducation/documents/pdf/EOF/EOFRegulations.pdf>.

Name of the Person Submitting the Application

Email of the Person Submitting the Application

Institutional Information

What institution is the student attending for their current graduate degree?

- ☐ BLOOMFIELD COLLEGE OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
- ☐ CALDWELL UNIVERSITY
- ☐ CENTENARY UNIVERSITY
- ☐ DREW UNIVERSITY
- ☐ FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIV-FLORHAM
- ☐ FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIV-TEANECK
- ☐ FELICIAN UNIVERSITY
- ☐ GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY
- ☐ KEAN UNIVERSITY
- ☐ MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY
- ☐ MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
- ☐ NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY
- ☐ NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
- ☐ RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
- ☐ RIDER UNIVERSITY
- ☐ ROWAN UNIVERSITY- COOPER MEDICAL SCHOOL
- ☐ ROWAN UNIVERSITY- SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
- ☐ ROWAN UNIVERSITY- GRADUATE
- ☐ ROWAN UNIVERSITY- GRADUATE BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
- ☐ RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY- GRADUATE
- ☐ RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY- SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES
- ☐ SAINT ELIZABETH UNIVERSITY
- ☐ SAINT PETER'S UNIVERSITY
- ☐ SETON HALL UNIVERSITY
- ☐ SETON HALL UNIVERSITY- SCHOOL OF LAW
- ☐ STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
- ☐ STOCKTON UNIVERSITY
- ☐ THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
- ☐ WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

Rutgers Graduate Students Only - Please indicate which school the student's graduate program resides within:

Student Information

Please fill in the following information:

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

NJHESAA ID#

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Length of NJ Residency (# of years and months)

Gender

Race/Ethnicity

- ☐ White
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Hispanic, of any race
- ☐ Two or more races
- ☐Other (please specify below)
- ☐ Do not wish to identify

Academic Background

Semester(s) of Academic Year 2024 - 2025 Attendance:

Did the student receive EOF as an undergrad?

If the student received EOF as an undergraduate, please indicate the most recent school (please select only one):

Date of Undergraduate Graduation (mm/yyyy):

What degree level is the student seeking EOF Graduate Funding support for?

Did the student previously receive a graduate degree?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If YES, please indicate the level of graduate degree received:

If YES, please indicate the specific type of degree received (e.g., MS, MPH, MBA, MFA, Ph.D., M.D., J.D., Psy.D., Ed.D., etc.):

If YES, please indicate the graduate institution:

Did the student PREVIOUSLY receive an EOF GRADUATE grant?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If YES, please indicate the number of payments:

Semester of when the first payment was received (i.e. Fall 20XX or Spring 20XX):

What is the student's graduate degree department (i.e. Education, Psychology, etc.)?

What is the student's current graduate degree program (i.e. Educational Leadership, Clinical Psychology, Medicine, etc.)?

Please fill out the following information about your current graduate degree program:

Number of credits required for degree

Number of credits required for full-time status

Fall 2024 Enrollment - Number of credits

Spring 2025 Enrollment - Number of credits

Number of cumulative credits towards this graduate degree earned to date:

Cumulative Graduate GPA

Expected date of completion/graduation (mm/dd/yyyy)

Financial Information

Please report the student's and/or spouse total Adjusted Gross Income (as reported in NJFAMS).

(Note: Although the student may be currently eligible to be classified as an independent student, please be sure to carefully review the student's financial information to help establish a history of poverty (per 9A:11-3.3 of the EOF regulations). For example, if the student would not have qualified as an undergraduate student, it is unlikely they will qualify for a graduate grant.)

Please report the student's household size (as reported in NJFAMS).

Please enter the student's Untaxed Income (as reported in NJFAMS) by source below. If a source doesn't apply enter 0.

Please be sure to include the Total Untaxed Income amount at the bottom.

Payments to tax deferred plans

IRA deductions/payments to qualified plans

Child support received

Veterans benefits

Tax exempt interest income

Untaxed portions of IRA distributions and pensions

Military/Clergy allowances

Veterans noneducation benefits

Other untaxed income

Money received or paid on student's behalf

Total Untaxed Income

Please provide information about the student's Assets (as reported in NJFAMS). If a category doesn't apply enter 0.

Please be sure to include the Total Assets amount at the bottom.

Cash, savings, checking

Investments

Business/Investment Farm

Total Assets

Does the student owe a refund on any grant or scholarship?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Is this student in default on any student loan?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If the student is in default on a loan, have they provided documentation to verify that they have made formal repayment arrangements?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

EOF Grant Amount Block

EOF Graduate Grant Request Amount

Please refer to these values when filling in the requested amounts of EOF Graduate funding in the next question below.

EOF Graduate Grant Award Table

The minimum and maximum semester award ranges for Article III graduate grants for each sector of higher education are as follows:

State Colleges and Universities:

Semester Minimum = \$100.00; Semester Maximum = \$1,425.00

Independent Institutions:

Semester Minimum = \$100.00; Semester Maximum = \$1,700.00

Public Research Universities:

Semester Minimum = \$100.00; Semester Maximum = \$1,700.00

Biomedical and Health Sciences Schools:

Semester Minimum = \$100.00; Semester Maximum = \$2,450.00

In no instance shall a grant award exceed the maximum allowable limit for a semester.

Please provide an estimated request of EOF Funding for the Spring term of academic year 2024-25. Please refer to the EOF Graduate Grant Award Table above when considering these values.

EOF Fall 2024 Semester Request (\$):	\$ <input type="text" value="0"/>
EOF Spring 2025 Semester Request (\$):	\$ <input type="text" value="0"/>

Total

\$

Please enter any final comments in the box below to support your application.

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