

## Latin American and Caribbean Graduate Fellowship Guidelines and Procedures 2016-17

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The Latin American and Caribbean Graduate Fellowship program is designed to promote international education and research between FIU and the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean. Students, who meet the criteria, may be nominated by the Engineering Management Program based on merit. The nomination process occurs once a year prior to the beginning of the Fall semester. Awards include a \$1,000 annual stipend and a tuition rate reduction to in-state for the academic year.

### Student Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a resident of Latin America or the Caribbean (including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands)
- Must be fully admitted to a graduate degree program (Master's or Doctoral)
- Must be in good academic standing with an overall graduate GPA of 3.0 or better
- Must be enrolled full-time (9 graduate credits in Fall and 9 graduate credits in Spring)
- Cannot be supported on a graduate assistantship (GA, TA nor RA)

### Fellowship Details:

- Awards are made at the beginning of the academic year beginning with the Fall semester only.
- Awardees receive a \$1,000 annual stipend (awarded in two installments, \$500 in Fall and \$500 in Spring)
- Awardees receive a tuition rate reduction to the current in-state/resident rate
- Maximum length of Award: 2 years for master's students; 4 years for doctoral students (Awards are granted each academic year via the nomination process)

### Application process:

- The Engineering Management Program identifies eligible students and submits LAC Nomination Form to UGS
- UGS verifies eligibility and sends request for matching funds to AcademicAffairs
- Once approved, students are notified by email which includes the award letter and an acceptance form
- Students must complete the acceptance form and submit by the deadline indicated on the form
- Once the signed acceptance form has been received by UGS, the student's tuition will be adjusted to in-state and the stipend will be disbursed within the first week of the term

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