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Student Aid

Graduate assistantships available to students in this program and other forms of student aid are described in the Tuition & Funding (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-funding/) section of The Graduate School’s website. Students on graduate assistantships must adhere to the course load limits (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gsad/gsad-900/gsad-901-graduate-assistants/) set by The Graduate School.

In addition to the fellowships, traineeships, graduate assistantships, and other forms of financial aid described in the link above, the following awards typically have been available to graduate students in English graduate programs:

Edwin Erle Sparks Fellowship in the Humanities
Available to beginning and continuing graduate students in one of the following graduate programs:

- Comparative Literature
- English
- French
- German
- History
- Linguistics
- Philosophy
- Spanish

Speech Communication

Apply to department before February 1.

Katey Lehman Fellowship
Provides approximately $13,000 plus tuition for a year’s study in poetry or fiction writing leading toward the B.A./M.A. in English or the M.F.A. in English. The Lehman Fellow will teach one course during the fellowship year. Fellowship holders are eligible for graduate assistantships with a similar stipend and tuition grant during the second year of study.

Wilma Ebbit Award
Funding to support research in rhetoric. Number and amount of awards to be determined.

Ben Euwema Memorial Scholarship
Travel funding for graduate degree candidates; consideration will be given to all currently enrolled graduate students in English. Preference will be given to students at the Ph.D. thesis stage, particularly those who need to travel to complete their research; number of awards and amount of each will be determined each year.

Folger Institute Fellowships
Penn State is a member of the Folger Institute of Renaissance and Eighteenth-Century Studies. Graduate students in English are eligible for Folger Institute Fellowship to study in seminars and workshops at the Folger Library, Washington, D.C.

Philip Young Memorial Award
Funding to support research in American Literature. Number and amount of awards will be determined.