



INDIANA UNIVERSITY
THE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Wells Graduate Fellowship
Visionary Leadership, Academic Excellence,
Character, Social Consciousness, Generosity

Herman B Wells, who was beloved by countless individuals in Indiana and far beyond, is renowned as a great leader of American higher education in the twentieth century. He led by word and deed, devoting his life to making Indiana University an academic and cultural institution of international stature.

He enrolled at Indiana University as an undergraduate in 1921, joined the faculty of the Department of Economics in 1930, was appointed Dean of the School of Business Administration in 1935, and began his legendary 25-year presidency of the university in 1937. Upon his retirement in 1962, he was named University Chancellor, a position he held until his death in 2000.

Through his legacy, Chancellor Wells continues to support Indiana University. In his estate, he provided for an annual graduate fellowship. The fellowship will be awarded each year to students who demonstrate the qualities for which Chancellor Wells was renowned: leadership abilities, academic excellence, character, social consciousness, and generosity of spirit. One fellowship will be awarded each year, although more than one award may be possible during a given year.

Application and Nomination Process: Any department can nominate **one** doctoral or M.F.A. student who exemplifies the characteristics of Chancellor Wells. The nominee must be at least in the second year of graduate studies at Indiana University and a regularly enrolled student during the award year. The nominee may be a candidate for a doctoral degree. The Awards and Financial Aid Committee will make the selections.

The student, either by their own initiative or by the department's request, will submit an application online:

1. The student submits their application online through OneStart >> Services >> Student Self-Service >> Services & Information >> Financial >> "Bloomington Graduate Fellowship Application"
 - a. They will be required to attach their personal statement, vita/resume, and recommendation letters.
2. The Fellowships Coordinator will email the student's application and required materials to their department after all materials have been received.
3. All nominations must be submitted to our office by email to the Fellowships Coordinator: Yvonne Dwigans, ylivings@indiana.edu, in one pdf document and must consist of the following:
 - a. Letter of nomination from the Director of Graduate Studies or Department Chairperson;
 - b. Any additional information the department may want to include

Award Value: This is a single-year award valued at **\$33,000**, in addition to student health insurance. **Note:** The award **must** be used for the year it is awarded. A recipient **cannot** place this award into a "reserve status" because of receiving another award.

*Letters of recommendation must appear on department letterhead and bear the signature of the recommender. Scanned versions of paper recommendation letters are acceptable. Electronic recommendation letters bearing electronic signatures are also accepted. Unsigned recommendations will not be accepted thus eliminating a student's application for consideration.

Deadlines:

All student materials must be submitted electronically through the University Graduate School Fellowship Application System located in the Student Self-Service section in OneStart.

Student Deadline: Students need to have all materials submitted online by **Friday, November 11, 2011**.

Department Deadline: All materials need to be submitted to The University Graduate School by **Friday, November 25, 2011**.