

Acoustical Society of America

JAMES E. WEST GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP FOR MINORITIES

Application deadline: 23 March 2020

The Acoustical Society of America announces the availability of a fellowship for graduate study in scientific areas related to the field of acoustics.

Eligibility: To be eligible for the fellowship, the applicant must have permanent residence or citizenship in the United States at the time of application. He/she must also be a member of an ethnic minority group (Hispanic, African-American, or Native American) that is underrepresented in the sciences. Evidence of acceptance into, or good academic standing in, a graduate degree program is also required.

Award: The award consists of a \$20,000 stipend for one academic year, to be dispensed over a 9-month period through the host institution. The award can be renewed for a second year of graduate study, upon receipt of a report from the recipient's academic advisor indicating that the recipient is making normal progress toward the degree and will remain a full-time student in good academic standing at the university.

The Acoustical Society of America strongly encourages the host educational institution to waive all tuition costs and assessed fees, in recognition of the stipend award. In addition, the award will cover travel for the student recipient, up to a total of \$1,000, to attend a national meeting of the Acoustical Society of America during the term of the fellowship year.

Topic Areas: Study is allowed in all fields of pure and applied science and engineering that are directly related to acoustics. These include:

Acoustical Oceanography
Animal Bioacoustics
Architectural Acoustics
Engineering Acoustics
Biomedical Acoustics
Musical Acoustics
Noise

Physical Acoustics
Physiological Acoustics
Psychological Acoustics
Signal Processing in Acoustics
Speech Communication
Structural Acoustics and Vibration
Underwater Acoustics

Evaluation and Selection Process: Applications and supporting materials will be reviewed and evaluated by the Prizes and Special Fellowships Committee of the Acoustical Society, a panel of scientists and engineers with particular interest in education. Criteria for selection will include the academic record of the applicant, the personal statement, and letters of recommendation from three instructors or employers.

Application Procedure: The completed application form, official transcripts of all college and university study, Graduate Record Exam scores, a personal statement, and three letters of recommendation should be sent to the postal or the email address indicated below, postmarked no later than 23 March 2020. Applications and reference letters sent by e-mail attachment will be accepted and must be submitted not later than 23 March 2020 to asa@acousticalsociety.org. Reference letters must be printed on letterhead and signed. The successful applicant will be notified by 31 May 2020.

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