

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES
Office of the Dean

The Mary Savage Snouffer Dissertation Fellowship, 2025-2026

The College of Arts and Humanities is seeking nominations for the Mary S. Snouffer Dissertation Fellowship for 2025-2026. The Mary Savage Snouffer Scholarship Fund will support up to two fellowships for qualified students **pursuing the doctorate in any discipline in the humanities**. Preference will be given to students in English, but scholarships can be awarded to students in other disciplines with ARHU. Criteria for selection shall be based upon both academic merit and need. Each department should put forward its very best candidates and no department should submit more than two nominations. Proposals should be written with a nonspecialist audience in mind.

Applicant Requirements:

- Must be a graduate student who has reached the dissertation stage.
- Must have completed all coursework and passed the qualifying examination for the doctoral degree.
- Students receiving the Mary Savage Snouffer Dissertation Fellowship are expected to enroll full time and to work full time on their dissertation. To be certified as a full-time student, recipients of the Fellowship must be officially registered for 6 credits of 899.
- Recipients are not allowed to hold on- or off-campus jobs of more than ten hours per week.
- If research requires IRB approval, it must be secured or in process at the time of application.

Benefits:

The 9.5-month stipend for the Mary Savage Snouffer Dissertation Fellowship for the 2025-2026 Academic Year does not cover health benefits and is not tax exempt.

The Graduate School has agreed to provide candidacy tuition awards for each fellowship recipient that will cover six (6) credits of dissertation research (899) for each fellow for the fall and spring semesters. They will process all paperwork through Student Financial Aid at <http://www.financialaid.umd.edu> or 301-314-9000. This fellowship is non-renewable.

Deadline:

Nominations for the Mary Savage Snouffer Dissertation Fellowship must be received by Friday, April 18, 2025 at midnight. **Students wishing to apply should contact their Graduate Program Directors for departmental deadlines, which will be earlier.**

Nomination packet should include:

- Nomination letter (by Chair or Graduate Director)
- Letter of recommendation from the nominee's advisor
- Project description (2-3 pages) by the nominee
- Copy of the nominee's curriculum vita

Nomination packet submission:

Nomination packets must be uploaded as a single pdf attachment through the ARHU online application portal at <https://apply.arhu.umd.edu/>. For additional information, please contact Betsy Yuen at myuen@umd.edu.