

Grinter Fellowship Guidelines

Effective for the 2025-2026 Funding Cycle

Named in honor of Dr. Linton E. Grinter, Dean of the Graduate School from 1952 to 1969, this fellowship helps recruit truly exceptional graduate students. Stipends range from \$2,000 to \$4,000. Grinter Fellowship awards should be used to recruit new PhD or MFA students to the University of Florida.

The Grinter Fellowship Program academic year awards are made to new PhD or MFA students entering the University in the Fall semester. Funding is provided for up to three years. The funding originates from the Division of Sponsored Programs. The allocated Grinter Fellowship Award funds may not be used for any purpose other than for Grinter Fellowship awards and should serve as top-ups to funding that the graduate student is scheduled to receive. The award can be given to graduate students who are receiving the Graduate School Opportunity Award.

Currently enrolled graduate students are not eligible, except when entering a PhD (or other terminal degree) program. Graduate students in the Colleges of Engineering and Law are not eligible.

Awards made to new admitted graduate students must be paid in amounts totaling \$2,000 - \$4,000 and PhD students will be funded for up to three academic years, with MFA students will be funded for up to two academic years. Continuation of the Grinter Fellowship Award beyond the first year is contingent upon satisfactory student progress and an overall 3.0 GPA.

The student should remain on the same project and funding cycle throughout their tenure as a Grinter Fellowship awardee unless other arrangements are made with the Graduate School in advance.

If a Grinter Fellowship recipient is no longer eligible to receive the award or not all the awards have been allocated, the funds for this award can be reused in the following manner:

- Funds can be given to a new PhD or MFA student for the remaining term of the funds.
- Funds can be pooled to give to a new PhD or MFA student for the remaining term of the funds.
- Funds can be given to existing Grinter Fellowship awardees.

After the end of the three-year funding cycle all funds will be removed from the project and returned to the Division of Sponsored Programs.

Students may be appointed as Fellows using the Memorandum of Understand (MOU) form on a lump sum or biweekly payroll or can be paid via Scholarship Notification Document (SND) each term.