

**North Carolina State University
Electrical and Computer Engineering Department**

Need-Based Financial Aid Grant Information Sheet

Available Grants:

The number of need-based financial aid awards will vary based on fund availability and may be offered for one or two semesters

Benefits:

Stipend amount will vary depending on student's demonstrated financial need

Eligibility Criteria:

- US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Currently enrolled in an NCSU ECE Department graduate program
- Must have completed at least one semester in an NCSU ECE Department graduate program and be in Good Academic Standing, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Enrollment in an independent study and/or thesis research or participation in research activities with an NCSU faculty member
- Under-represented groups are encouraged to apply

Required Application Materials:

- Need-Based Financial Aid Grant Application
- one-page Statement of Purpose
 - Must address the student's experience and interests in the ECE Department at NC State University, including research interests, current research project and supervisor, and career goals
 - Must be newly written and may not be the personal statement included in the student's graduate school application
- Letter of Recommendation from an NCSU ECE Department faculty member
- 2015-16 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): www.fafsa.ed.gov

Application Submission Process:

- Students may submit the Application form and Statement of Purpose and Faculty may submit the Letter of Recommendation to the ECE Graduate Office
 - by email: ecegradoffice@ncsu.edu
 - or in person: Engineering Building 2, suite 3014
- Submit the 2015-16 FAFSA through the Federal Student Aid website: www.fafsa.ed.gov

Program Timeline:

- Applications will be accepted until June 30, 2015
- The Financial Aid office will be consulted to determine the student's need amount
- Financial Aid awards will be awarded and recipients will be notified after the selection committee has reviewed all applications

Need-Based Financial Aid Grant Recipient Responsibilities:

The following are required as conditions of this financial aid award, and to continue to be eligible for future Need-Based Financial Aid Grant funding:

- Maintain full-time enrollment as a graduate student in the ECE Department
- Remain in Good Academic Standing, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Students must notify the ECE Graduate Office if their funding situation changes (i.e. the student receives a TA, RA, Fellowship, or other on-campus or off-campus employment). The Financial Aid office will be consulted, and further participation in the financial aid grant program will need to be evaluated.
- Students must notify the ECE Graduate Office if they want to change majors or degree programs. Continued participation in the fellowship will need to be evaluated.
- US citizens who are not NC in-state residents must make a good faith effort to gain [in-state residency](#) within their first year of being in North Carolina.
- Enroll in direct deposit through “Student Self Service” via the MyPack Portal in order to receive the financial aid grant stipend. Failure to do so will result in a delay in the payment of the stipend. Information regarding direct deposit enrollment in Student Self Service is available on the Cashier’s Office [Direct Deposit](#) webpage.
- Foreign national students must meet with the [Foreign National Taxation Office](#) to complete a tax assessment and to sign appropriate tax forms. For more information regarding payroll and taxation of foreign nationals, please see the [New Foreign National Employment website](#).

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Need-Based Financial Aid Grant Application 2015-2016
This financial aid opportunity is limited to NCSU ECE Department graduate students

Name (First,MI,Last): _____

Student ID #: _____ NCSU Email Address: _____

US Citizen: Yes No US Permanent Resident: Yes No NC in-state Resident: Yes No

Current Program: PhD MS Major: _____ Overall GPA: _____

Research Advisor: _____

Admission Semester/Year: _____ Anticipated Graduation Semester/Year: _____

If you are currently a MS student, do you plan to pursue a doctoral degree at NC State? Yes No

If yes, which major: EE CPE Other: _____

Do you have any financial support for 2015-16?

TA RA Fellowship Other Campus Employment Off-Campus Employment

If any boxes were checked, please elaborate here (funding type, semester, award amount):

Educational History:	
<input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> MA <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
College/University: _____	State, Country: _____
Semester/Year Earned: _____	Major: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> BS <input type="checkbox"/> BA <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
College/University: _____	State, Country: _____
Semester/Year Earned: _____	Major: _____

Have you submitted a 2015-16 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): Yes No
Awards are based on financial need and require that a FAFSA form is filed
through the Federal Student Aid Programs website: www.fafsa.ed.gov

To complete your application package, you will also need:

Statement of Purpose

Letter of Recommendation from an NCSU ECE Faculty Member

Name of Faculty Member: _____
completed 2015-16 FAFSA

*Read the **Need-Based Financial Aid Grant Information Sheet** for more information on application requirements*

Students may submit the Application form and Statement of Purpose and
Faculty may submit the Letter of Recommendation to the ECE Graduate Office
by email: ecegradoffice@ncsu.edu or in person: Engineering Building 2, suite 3014

Student Signature Date

Verification of Departmental Support for 2015-16: (For ECE Graduate Office only)

Will the student be receiving Departmental Support? Yes No

RA Semester: _____ FTE and Monthly Rate: _____

TA Semester: _____ FTE and Monthly Rate: _____

Fellowship: _____ Semester: _____ Amount: _____

Funding verified by: _____ Date: _____