

COATES RESEARCH SCHOLAR AWARDS - CHEMISTRY

Charles E. Coates Scholar Research Grants are unrestricted awards made from the Dr. Charles E. Coates Memorial Fund Research. These competitive awards are made to support promising doctoral research by superior graduate students in Chemistry. A 2-year award will be made for \$5000/year, with second year funding contingent upon successful progress, documented in an annual report. A maximum of one award will be active in the Department of Chemistry at any one time. Funds will be placed in restricted accounts; expenditure categories will follow accepted University regulations. Accounts will be established in the major professor's name, but expenditures must be directly related to the Scholar's proposed and approved research. Annual award amounts or frequency may increase, based on future availability of funds. This award is available only to Ph.D. students who have successfully completed the general examination in the Department of Chemistry. Students may receive this award once during their Ph.D. studies. Selection criteria include proposal content, major professor's recommendation letter and overall scope of the proposal.

Application Deadline

- Applications are due May 1 for awards starting during the next fiscal year (July 1 – June 30). Please contact the Chemistry Director of Graduate Studies to determine if an award is available for the next deadline.

Application Procedure

- The student must fill out the cover sheet included on the last page, and both the student and major professor must sign the form.
- The student must write a proposal describing the research to be performed during the proposal period. The maximum proposal length is 5 pages, including figures and references.
- The student must provide a C.V.
- The major professor must submit a letter of support for the student's application.
- A budget must be submitted for use of the funds provided by the award.
- *Please submit applications electronically to the Chemistry Graduate Office (e-mail, Graduate Coordinator).*

Award Procedure

- A one-page report describing the progress, outcomes and summary of expenditures must be submitted by June 1 of the first year of the award. Funding for the second year is contingent on receipt of a satisfactory progress report. The report should be signed by the major professor and student.
- Unused funds can't be carried over from one fiscal year to the next fiscal year, and no-cost extensions are not allowed.
- The research award will end if the student is no longer registered as a full time Ph.D. student in Chemistry at LSU.
- The research advisor and student are responsible for following all LSU procedures and rules for use of the award funds.
- A final progress report is due within 30 days of completion of the award. The report should be signed by the major professor and student.

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Submit form and additional materials to the Chemistry Graduate Office – 113 Choppin

Student Name: _____

Major Professor Name: _____

Research Project Title: _____

Project Start Date (normally July 1): _____

Project End Date (limited to 2 years): _____

Date of General Exam Completion: _____

I verify that I have not previously received a Coates Research Scholar Award: _____

- ***Be sure to consult the previous pages for additional required application materials and deadlines!***

Signature – Ph.D. Student _____

Signature – Research Advisor _____