Geosciences Research Grant Program

Graduate students in Baylor’s Department of Geosciences are eligible to apply for funding from the Department of Geosciences’ Geosciences Research Grant (GRG) Program to support their research and/or continued education. There are three types of GRG grants: Geoscience Research Grant-Research (GRG-R), Geoscience Research Grant-Starter (GRG-S), and Geoscience Research Grant-Education (GRG-E). Information about each grant type and the application procedure is detailed below.

Geoscience Research Grant-Research

GRG-R grants can be used to support any aspect of your graduate research including, but not limited to: field work, chemical analyses, equipment, thin sections, computing access, and research at laboratories outside of Baylor.

Requirements for funding
To be considered for a GRG-R grant students must meet the following requirements:
1) Have formed a committee, defended his/her thesis/Dissertation proposal, and have his/her proposal approved by his/her committee
2) Applied for funding from at least one external funding agency to support his/her project

Eligibility
MS students: MS students are eligible to receive one GRG-R research grant. The maximum amount of funding for the GRG-R research grants is $3000.

PhD students: PhD students are eligible to receive one GRG-R research grant for each of their dissertation papers. PhD students are eligible to receive a maximum of three GRG-R research grant. The maximum amount of funding per grant for the GRG-R research grants is $3000.

Application procedure
Applications for GRG-R research grants are accepted at any time. Submit your application electronically as a word document or pdf to the Graduate Program Director, Dr. Daniel Peppe to daniel_peppe@baylor.edu.

GRG-R research grant applications must include:
1) A one page summary of your research project that includes:
   a. The goals and objectives of your GRG-R funded research.
   b. The methods that you will employ to conduct your research.
   c. The potential significance of your research and how the GRG-R grant will allow you to complete your thesis research.
(2) A detailed budget for your GRG-R grant and a budget justification for the requested funds. If your project budget is more than $3000, prioritize your expenses and explain where the remaining project funding will come from.

(3) Proof of prior application(s) for external funding. This could be e-mail correspondence from the granting agency or a copy of the submitted proposals.
Geoscience Research Grant- Starter

GRG-S grants can be used to support any aspect of your research including, but not limited to: field work, chemical analyses, equipment, thin sections, and computing access. These grants are designed to help students begin his/her thesis research activities and to help students generate pilot data needed to help develop his/her thesis proposal and to compete for external funding.

Requirements for funding
GRG-S grants are available to first year MS and PhD graduate students that have not completed the requirements for candidacy. No prior application to external granting agencies is required.

Eligibility
MS students: MS students are eligible to receive one GRG-S research grant. The maximum amount of funding for the GRG-R research grants is $500.

PhD students: PhD students are eligible to receive one GRG-S research grant. The maximum amount of funding per grant for the GRG-R research grants is $1000.

Application procedure
Applications for GRG-S research grants are accepted at any time. Submit your application electronically as a word document or pdf to the Graduate Program Director, Dr. Daniel Peppe to daniel_peppe@baylor.edu.

GRG-S research grant applications must include:
(1) A one page summary of your research project that includes:
   a. The goals and objectives of your GRG-S funded research.
   b. The methods that you will employ to conduct your research.
   c. The potential significance of your research and how the GRG-S grant will allow you to develop your thesis research project.

(2) A detailed budget for your GRG-S grant and a budget justification for the requested funds. If your project budget is more than the maximum award, prioritize your expenses and explain where the remaining project funding will come from.
GRG-E grants can be used for students to attend workshops, discipline specific courses not offered at Baylor, research and field courses, conference travel, and other education related activities. These grants are designed to help students further develop their research skills, to network with other researchers, and to assist with continuing education.

**Requirements for funding**
GRG-E grants are available to all graduate students during their graduate career at Baylor.

**Eligibility**
*MS students:* MS students are eligible to receive one GRG-E research grant. Maximum funding rates will be decided based on the cost of the activity, benefit to the student, and funding available to the student.

*PhD students:* PhD students are eligible to receive three GRG-E research grants. Maximum funding rates will be decided based on the cost of the activity, benefit to the student, and funding available to the student.

**Application procedure**
Applications for GRG-E research grants are accepted at any time. Submit your application electronically as a word document or pdf to the Graduate Program Director, Dr. Daniel Peppe to daniel_peppe@baylor.edu.

GRG-E grant applications must include:
1. A one page summary detailing the educational activity and why the activity is necessary for your thesis research and career development.
2. A detailed budget for your GRG-E grant and a budget justification for the requested funds. Prioritize your expenses and explain if any funding outside the GRG-E grant is available for the activity.
3. Detailed information about the education activity and your application to the program (if applicable).