SURA Invites Applications for Inaugural MSI Graduate Awards Program
Application Deadline: November 30, 2023

SURA’s Committee of Minority-Serving Institutions (C-MSI) is seeking candidates to receive a $5,000 MSI Graduate Award. Up to four $5,000 awards may be awarded.

About the SURA MSI Graduate Awards Program
The MSI Graduate Awards Program provides opportunities for undergraduate students from non-R1 SURA Member Minority-Serving Institutions to pursue graduate (PhD) education in a STEM discipline at a SURA member university. The program supports SURA’s commitment to help build a diverse and inclusive educational community by reducing barriers for students in higher education. Funds will be provided directly to the student with verification of enrollment in their first semester in a STEM PhD program at a SURA member university. Award funds may be used to help defray expenses related to the student’s graduate education, e.g., tuition, board, books, tools and supplies, training equipment, travel to conferences, etc.

Eligibility
Students from non-R1 SURA Member Minority-Serving Institutions* who plan to apply for STEM graduate (PhD) education at a SURA member university.

* Current schools include: Hampton University, Norfolk State University, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and Virginia State University

Evaluation Process
The C-MSI will evaluate applications and select the candidates who will be interviewed by the Committee. In making its final selection, the Committee will consider:
- Student’s personal statement
- Resume including academic achievements
- Letters of recommendation
- Interview outcome

To Apply
See https://sura.org/relations/msi-graduate-awards/.