

Merrimack College Fellowship Program

**Providing financial support and real world
experience for graduate students**



MERRIMACK COLLEGE

Fellowship Program

- ✦ **What is it?**
 - ✦ **Types**
 - ✦ **Process**
 - ✦ **Rewards**
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Fellowship Benefits

Affordability with Steep Tuition Discounts.

Offered in most of our on-campus master's degree programs, these competitive fellowship opportunities put your career on the fast-track while providing a tuition discount of 50-100%.

High-impact Professional Experience.

You'll build your professional experience while saving thousands on tuition. Fellowships offer unparalleled opportunities for developing high-level, real-world skills in your field of expertise.

Access to Faculty and Staff Mentors.

With the guidance of experienced site-based supervisors and Merrimack faculty mentors, you'll have the support you need to excel in your field placement and in your graduate studies



Four Fellowship Models

- Teacher Education
- Off Campus sites
- On Campus Sites
- Research and Teaching

WHAT IS A *FELLOWSHIP*?

50-100% TUITION COVERAGE
Earn your master's degree while significantly reducing the cost of your tuition.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
Work 15-25 hours per week at Merrimack or an external organization and gain relevant experience in your field.

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES
Make valuable connections with peers, alumni, mentors and industry professionals.

LEARN MORE: merrimack.edu/fellowships



Teacher Education- 12 months

- Open to new grads and career changers looking to enter the teaching profession
- Online or On-Campus Coursework
- Fellows are placed in a School/District
- Merrimack College recruits candidates and district approves
- Place between 60-80 students per year



2 year Fellowship

- Open to Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Substitute Teachers or District Personnel
- Requires bachelor's degree in any field
- Online or On-Campus Coursework
- Fellows continue to work in your school/district while enrolled in the M.Ed. program
- District Selects and approves candidates



Financial Commitment

Districts/Sites are required to pay a financial commitment for the 2024-25 academic year that supplements the tuition of the Fellow

- 1 Year Fellowship - \$ 20,000/fellow
Invoiced in 3 separate installments in 2024-2025
- 2 Year Fellowship - \$ 20,000/fellow
Invoiced in 6 separate installments over 2 years



TWO FELLOWSHIP TYPES



Presidential

Covers 100% of a student's graduate tuition and includes a 25 hour per week, unpaid fellowship placement.

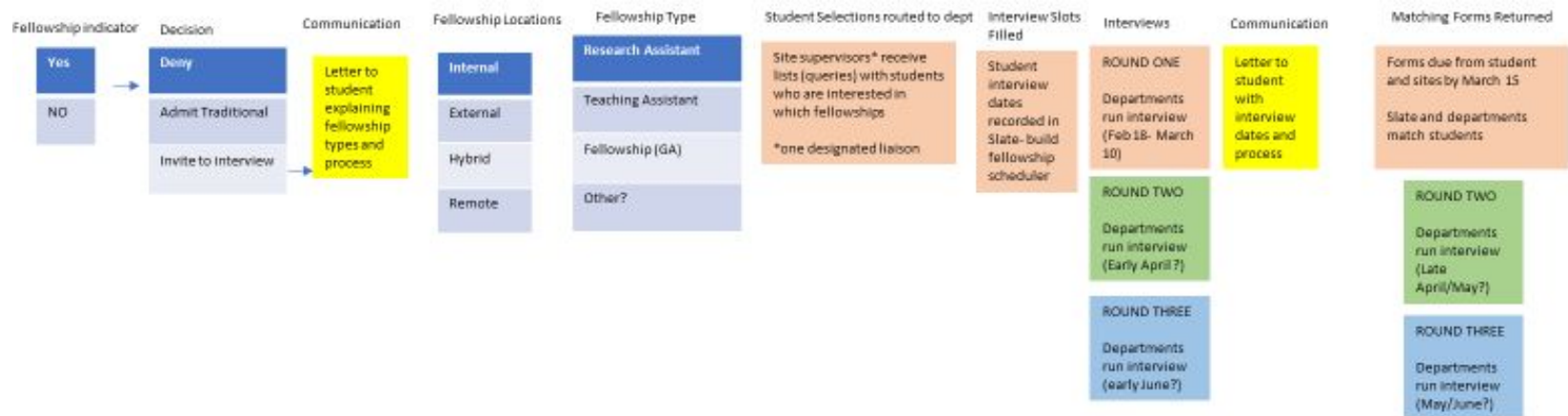


Provost

Covers 50% of a student's graduate tuition and includes a 15 hour per week, unpaid fellowship placement.

* Please note for two year programs the fellowship benefit is applied to one year (up to 36 credits) only.





- Questions:
- How do we handle rolling matching?
 - What other events/communications can we embed to keep students engaged?
 - How will we manage reallocation of fellowship if no students from specific programs?
 - How will we handle international students?
 - How will we handle late drops? Mid semester changes/ w/d?

My Fellowship Preferences

Thanks for sharing your preferences! You shared that you'd prefer the following fellowships:

1. Early College Program Coordinator (Greatest Preference)
2. Graduate Residence Director
3. Pioneer Scholars Graduate Fellow
4. Hands to Help Food Recovery Network Graduate Fellow
5. Intercultural Fellow
6. Academic Coach, Compass Program

Selected Fellowships

+ Compass Academic Success Coach (Presidential Fellowship)

+ Early College Program Coordinator (Presidential Fellowship)

+ Graduate Residence Director (Presidential Fellowship)

+ Hands to Help Food Recovery Network Graduate Fellow (Presidential Fellowship)

+ Intercultural Fellow (Presidential Fellowship)

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| 9:30am Spirituality Peter Ellard Kearney (Rinaldi), Tina | 9:00am Accessibility Ser... Lori Corcoran | 9:00am Alumni Engage... Ben White | 9:00am Academic Progr... Melissa Theberge | 12:30pm Exercise & Spo... |
| 10:00am AT Dennis Fontaine | 9:00am Active Living & ... Kelley O'Hara | 9:00am Andover Depart... Thomas Carbone Alege, Olusola Mary Ann (Shola) | 9:00am Accessibility Ser... Lori Corcoran Bier, Rachel | 1:00pm AT Dennis Fontaine |
| 10:00am Spirituality Peter Ellard | 9:00am Advising Center... Elise Monteiro | 9:00am Applied Human ... Brent Wright | 9:00am Advisor and Ac... Sarah Simmons | 1:00pm Exercise & Spor... Buschmann, Cole |
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| 11:30am Spirituality Peter Ellard | 9:00am Athletics Operat... Jayden Frye | 9:00am Career Advisor... Laura Thibodeau | 9:00am Boston College: ... Will Franco Bonnell, Zachary Spencer | |
| 12:00pm Clinical Mental... Michael Mobley Manzi, Nicole | 9:00am Boston Children... Rachel Losi | 9:00am Career and Exp... Scott McEnelly | 9:00am Brandeis Univer... Kaitlin Carson | |
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| 12:30pm Spirituality Peter Ellard | 9:00am CHIRP Researc... Tara Daly | 9:00am Community Hea... Zi Yan | 9:00am Clinical Mental ... Aleksandra Plocha | |
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| 1:00pm MPAA Info Sess... Bradley Miller, Ph.D. | 9:00am Community Hea... Zi Yan | 9:00am Compass Acade... Kait Hollinger Vadoros, Olivia Rose | 9:00am Compass Acade... Kait Hollinger | |

- Confirmed
- Tentative
- Cancelled/Declined
- Full

All Folders

- [applied-chemistry](#)
- [AT Scheduler](#)
- [BIO](#)
- [Bus Scheduler](#)
- [business-analytics](#)
- [CAGS](#)
- [Campus Tour](#)
- [Catholic School Leadership and Independent School Leadership](#)
- [CJ Scheduler](#)
- [CHE & HWM Scheduler](#)
- [Civil Engineering](#)
- [CMCH \(online\)](#)
- [CMHC](#)
- [CMHC Interview](#)
- [CMHC Scheduler](#)
- [Coding Bootcamp](#)
- [Community Engagement Scheduler](#)
- [Computer Science](#)
- [Data Science and Product Management](#)
- [DSA Bradley Scheduler](#)
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- [DW Scheduler](#)
- [Ed Scheduler](#)
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- [HS Scheduler](#)
- [Jeanne Zilliox](#)
- [MA Communication](#)
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- [Martin Scheduler](#)
- [MCPA Scheduler](#)
- [Mechanical Engineering](#)
- [MPA Scheduler](#)
- [Nutrition Interview](#)

Slate Scheduler

Use to schedule, run and have data on interviews.

Post-Interview Fellowship Matching

Form Title Post-Interview Fellowship Matching Preferences

Form Submitted 02/29/2024

Fellowship Rankings

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Rank 5

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Rank 4

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Rank 3

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Rank 1

Feedback or Comments About This Interview This was definitely my stand-out of all my interviews. If possible, I would really love to be matched here over all the other fellowships. This is an absolute #1 placement for me.

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Rank 6

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Rank 2

Feedback or Comments About This Interview Really loved this interview, but my #1 still sticks out more to me.

Please provide additional comments about the selection or interview process. My rankings are very accurate. My #1 ranking is my favorite and my #6 is my least favorite. If it were a dire case and there were issues matching me with my top, the only positions I would really prefer NOT to have are my #5 and #6. The last two fellowship position interviews were interesting, but I really think I would thrive more in the other roles.

Interviewer Ranking

| | |
|---|---|
| Form User | Rosana Urbaez |
| Form Title | Interviewer Ranking |
| From Bin | Post Interview Site Feedback |
| Into Bin | Post Interview Site Feedback |
| Form Submitted | 02/29/2024 |
| hidden GUID | cb5ec213-3235-4610-82d1-ac92b5b1e6a7 |
| hidden name | Hands to Help Food Recovery Network Graduate Fellow |
| Rank | 1 |
| Would you recommend offering your office's fellowship to this candidate? | Yes |
| Strengths | Prior Knowledge Previous Experience Academics Work Ethic |
| Feedback or Comments About This Interview | Researched H2H prior to the interview, familiar with us Speaks Spanish Has experience with diverse communities She worked for MVFB and Food Inc. |
| Please provide additional comments about the selection or interview process. | Amazing candidate all around. Top choice! |

| Updated | Status | Name | Site | Supervisor | Student Interest | Student Rank | Site Rank |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Add New | | | | | | | |
| 3/1/24 | Invite to Interview | Intercultural Fellow | Student Affairs & Success | Peter Rojas | 5 | 6 | 2 |
| 3/1/24 | Invite to Interview | Graduate Residence Director | Student Affairs & Success | Allison Gagne | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| 3/1/24 | Invite to Interview | Pioneer Scholars Graduate Fellow | Education and Social Policy | Jazmin D'Urbano | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| 2/29/24 | Invite to Interview | Hands to Help Food Recovery Network Graduate Fellow | Service | Rosana Urbaez | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 2/29/24 | Invite to Interview | Early College Program Coordinator | Education and Social Policy | Kirstie Dobbs | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 2/29/24 | Invite to Interview | Compass Academic Success Coach | Student Affairs & Success | Kait Hollinger | 6 | 5 | 7 |

It was a very organized and straightforward process with very clear expectations and good position descriptions. The time availability was also a positive aspect that allowed me to fit the interviews perfectly to my schedule, and the supervisors to each position were always friendly and respectful during the interviews and in previous emails setting up the zoom links.

The interview process was very smooth for me! I enjoyed meeting with all three supervisors and look forward to figuring out my next steps in the fellowship process. My top two choices are both very different from one another, but I would be interested in either of them. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of the fellowship interviewing process!

The general interview process was good, planned and coordinated well, all the interviewers went extra ahead to share more about each specific programs. Am happy to be part of Merrimack college and looking forward for consideration for the fellowship.

The interview process went smoothly and I had all three of mine within the same two days so I could prepare for all of them. Zoom also made the interview process more convenient with classes and my busy schedule so I could block off enough time in my schedule to do the interview and prepare for them.

I really like this process. It is very quick and easy, so it does not leave applicants waiting. The reminder emails to submit certain forms were also very helpful.

The interview process was arduous, however I appreciated how much work you have to put into becoming a fellow. I believe it tests each applicants drive to take that next step in their career.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Graduate Fellowship Site

North Shore Community Development Coalition

- *Community Building Fellow*
- *Economic Development Fellow*
- *YouthBuild Community Engagement Fellow*

→ Assist in neighborhood revitalization, advocacy, effective programming, and green housing development.

Learn more at
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Earn your master's degree tuition-free!

Academic Advising and Program Coordinator

 **School of Engineering & Computational Sciences, Merrimack College**

 As a fellow, you will support undergraduate students in the School of Engineering & Computational Sciences and have opportunities to conduct one-on-one and group advising sessions, lead workshops, and engage with students during school events. You'll collaborate with other offices across campus to help ensure students have a positive academic experience at Merrimack.

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Freshman Admission & Recruitment Graduate Fellow



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As a fellow, you will work closely with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions Office to help students throughout their college process. You will get to visit local high schools to work with students and answer their questions about Merrimack and their application process. You will also assist in evaluating applications, working larger scale events like Open Houses and Admitted Student Days, and learn more about the behind the scenes admission process.

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Eligible Programs Central Process

- ✦ *School of Nursing & Health Sciences*
Exercise and Sport Science
Health Promotion and Management
- ✦ *School of Arts and Sciences*
Communication
Master of Public Affairs and Administration
- ✦ *Winston School of Education and Social Policy*
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
School Counseling
Higher Education
Social Work
Criminology and Criminal Justice

Eligible Programs Departmental Process

- ✦ *Winston School of Education and Social Policy*
Community Engagement
Teacher Education
- ✦ *School of Arts and Sciences*
Chemistry
- ✦ *Engineering and Computational Science*
Civil Engineering
Mechanical Engineering



Off Campus Sites



Presidential

MOU only- program works to secure paid [sites](#) for students.



Provost

Recruitment tool mostly in [SNHS](#) programs

Half tuition for students
Great Partnerships



On Campus Sites



**Presidential
Admission
Advising
Career Services
Counseling
Athletics**



**Provost
Above AND
Strength and Conditioning Sites
Municipalities
Town Managers
Courts**



Central Process- Streamlining with Slate

The process is as follows:

Submit your online application. Be sure to indicate your fellowship interest within your application.

Submit your initial ranking form. Students who are accepted for admission and invited to interview for a fellowship will be eligible to review and rank their preferred positions. If you are invited, your invitation will include a deadline for submitting your selections.

Please note: we do not guarantee that you will be invited to interview for your top selections.

Complete your site interviews. First round of interviews will take place.

Submit your post-interview rankings. After the interviews, both students and sites must complete and submit their post-interview ranking forms, ranking their preferences for final placement.

Receive your match notification. Match letters will be sent to all students and supervisors.

Fellowship Details

Fellowships are at the College level and are on the Merrimack College campus.

They require in-person daytime work availability and vary from 15-25 hours a week for the full academic year.

Additional days may be required for training.

School counseling students typically have the opportunity to apply for positions in student support, student life, admissions and counseling-related departments at the College.

Fellowships are available only for the first year of the M.Ed. program. All School Counseling graduate fellows will be automatically eligible for scholarship in the second year of the program.

Fellowship Eligibility

If you are offered and accept a fellowship position, you will not be eligible for any other discounts or scholarships, including a merit-based Dean scholarship or the Double Warrior alumni scholarship during the first fellowship year.

When you apply for the fellowship, you are also automatically considered for the traditional degree program. If you are admitted into the traditional program but not offered a fellowship, you will automatically be considered for a Dean scholarship.

If you are originally awarded a scholarship and then are given a fellowship placement, you will no longer receive the merit scholarship. The fellowship will replace any other discounts.

Please note: Participation in the fellowship placement process is NOT a guarantee of a fellowship.



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Central Process- Timeline

Fellowship Timeline*

- *September 15th: Supervisor Application Live*
- *September 20th: Supervisor Application Zoom Session (10 AM)*
- *October 2nd: Supervisor Application Zoom Session (12 PM)*
- *October 6th: Deadline for Supervisor Application*
- *November: 2024 Fellowship List Available*
- *November 19th: Graduate Open House*
- *January 19: Supervisor Zoom Training - Slate*
- *January 24th: Supervisor Zoom Training - Slate*
- *Round 1:*
 - *February 1st: Fellowship Ranking Open*
 - *February 15th: Fellowship Deadline*
 - *February 20th: Supervisor Interview Decision Deadline*
 - *February 22-25th: Students Schedule Interviews*
 - *February 27-29th: Interviews*
 - *March 15th: Fellowship Decisions Released*
 - *March 20th: Deposits Due*

Round 2:

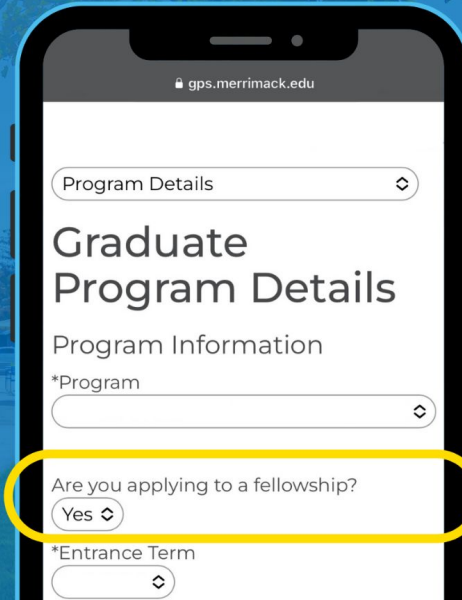
- *March 22th: Confirm Interest in Round 2*
- *April 2nd: Student Deadline*
- *April 8th: Fellowship Ranking Open*
- *April 12th: Ranking Submission Due*
- *April 15th: Supervisor Review Candidates*
- *April 17th: Supervisor Interview Decision Deadline*
- *April 19th: Students Schedule Interviews*
- *April 22nd: Last day to schedule interviews*
- *April 23-25th: Interviews*
- *April 25th: Final rankings due*
- *Mid May: Fellowship Decisions Released*
- *June 2nd: Graduate Student Celebration*
- *August 2nd: Background Check Deadline*
- *August 12th: First Day of Fellowship Training*
- *August 15th: Graduate Student Welcome*
- *August 26th: First Day of Classes*



If you haven't applied already, here's how!

FELLOWSHIPS HOW TO APPLY

- 1 Go to gps.merrimack.edu/apply to begin or resume your graduate application.
- 2 Within your app, select "Yes" for "Are you applying to a fellowship?"
- 3 Submit your application. Be sure to complete the required Fellowship essay.
- 4 Receive your admission decision. If admitted to the master's program, you'll receive further instructions about the fellowship process.



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Program Details

Graduate Program Details

Program Information

*Program

Are you applying to a fellowship?

Yes

*Entrance Term



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Hands to Help Program Coordinator



Merrimack College



- Plan, develop and implement programs to enhance academic achievement through activities, workshops and events
- Recruit volunteers and market program and services
- Serve as a resource and advise students with questions or concerns
- Maintain relationships and communication with internal and external organizations
- Facilitate the scheduling, staffing, marketing and advertising for all tutoring services
- Coordinate training that meets national certification standards
- Assist in designing and implementing evaluative processes to assess program delivery and effectiveness
- Manage the Hands to Help Tutoring program
- Supervise and provide constructive feedback to tutors

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Rewards

- ✦ **Teacher Education 100% job placement**
- ✦ **Skilled Experienced Graduates**
- ✦ **Little to no debt**
- ✦ **Network**



OUR STUDENTS VALUE THEIR FELLOWSHIPS

“The experiences that I had during my teaching fellowship really helped raise my value as a professional... If you have the opportunity, take it. So many doors have opened for me.”

KETENE ARANTE, M.ED. TEACHER
EDUCATION

“My fellowship is so important to me. Being able to apply what I’m learning in the classroom to a real-time role is so special. It has been a beyond-fulfilling experience thus far.”

AMY SCHRAM, M.S. CLINICAL MENTAL
HEALTH COUNSELING

“My fellowship experience at the U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine was amazing in helping me prepare for the next step in my career and Ph.D. program. I’m so thankful for my experience at my fellowship.”

ERICA SCHAFFER, M.S. EXERCISE & SPORT
SCIENCE



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Prepared for success!



Graduate Student at Merrimack College
23h • Edited •

As I am nearing the end of my fellowship at the Merrimack College Office of Development and Alumni Relations, I want to reflect on what an amazing year it has been.

I have learned and accomplished so much in my year of being here, including but not limited to, assisting in the planning and execution of an Evening of Gratitude event, Homecoming, the Annual Christmas Party, and events in Florida and New York City. This job also has allowed me to utilize my creativity in different forms of media like newsletters, emails, and social posts. My work here has broadened my knowledge of event planning, social media management, and working within a team environment.

I look forward to the rest of the semester as I finish with a Master's Degree in Communication and leave with advanced professional development.

