

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
Department of Economics

Graduate Student Awards

1. Robert Eisner Graduate Fellowship

Criteria: This fellowship is awarded to a graduate student who has distinguished him- or herself in *both* teaching and research. Typically, but not necessarily, the fellowship is awarded to a student who will be entering their fourth year. Nominees must have successfully defended their dissertation prospectus. This is the Department's highest honor bestowed on a graduate student at this stage of their studies.

Number of Awards: One

Award: Tuition and stipend for the coming Fall, Winter and Spring Quarters.

Nomination Process: Faculty nominated. A brief nomination e-mail should be sent by a faculty member (typically the student's advisor) to the Director of Graduate Studies by August 15. The Awards Committee will solicit any additional information required on a short list of candidates after the deadline. This information will include the nominee's performance as a Teaching Assistant.

2. Susan Schmidt Bies Prizes for Doctoral Student Research on Economics and Public Policy

Criteria: Best third-year Ph.D. student research papers on topics relevant to analysis of economic policy. These are typically papers presented as part of the Economics 501 *Graduate Student Seminar*, or its equivalent.

Number of Awards: Maximum of two

Award: \$1000 to each winner in the form of a research account.

Nomination Process: Student nominated. Students with appropriate papers on subjects relevant to the analysis of economic policy should submit a PDF of their full paper to the Director of Graduate Studies by August 15.

For both awards, nomination materials must be submitted electronically to Professor Elie Tamer, Director of Graduate Studies, tamer@northwestern.edu by AUGUST 15. The awards committee will meet shortly afterwards and winners will be announced by August 31. Winners will be honored and awarded certificates at the Department's start-of-year buffet.