Laney Graduate School Fellowship Guidelines 2016-2017
for students admitted in the spring of 2016

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The purpose of the Laney Graduate School Fellowships (LGSF) is to allow LGS PhD programs to offer enhanced financial support to exceptionally qualified applicants early in the recruitment process. LGSFs provide a supplement of $2,500 to the standard program stipend/salary for up to 5 years. Note: Laney fellowship stipends, like Woodruff and Diversity stipends, are paid over 12 months.

LGSFs are allocated based on the approved cohort size for the admission cycle. Programs seeking to recruit 1-10 new students may make 2 LGSF offers with the expectation that 1 will accept Emory’s offer of admission.

LGSFs are awarded at the program’s discretion. There is no LGS wide nomination or selection procedure. For information about how to request that an LGSF be offered, consult relevant Admissions handouts or contact Ulf Nilsson.

Programs may offer an LGSF to applicants at the time of admission or later in the recruitment cycle. When an applicant offered an LGSF declines the Emory offer, the award may not be reassigned.

A program may choose to offer a Laney to applicants who are nominated for Woodruff or Diversity fellowships as an early sign of program enthusiasm. Should the nominee win a Woodruff or Diversity, the LGSF may then be offered to another qualified applicant.

If a Woodruff fellowship awardee declines the offer of admission, then the program may offer an additional Laney fellowship to a qualified applicant who has already been offered admission.

Questions?
Contact Rosemary Hynes at rhynes@emory.edu or 7-2660.

Deadline for Acceptance of Award: April 15
Fellow-designates will be informed that the nationally recognized deadline for acceptance of awards is April 15, and we will not pressure them to make a decision before that. Nevertheless, we do ask that fellows tell us as soon as they have reached a decision. If possible, we would appreciate knowing the status of their deliberations by April 1.

No fellowship offer will be held beyond April 15, except in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Dean.