

Leeds MBA

Fellowship Awards and Guidelines

The Leeds School of Business offers competitive fellowship awards to selected candidates admitted to the full-time MBA program with funding provided by the Leeds School of Business, the CU Foundation, the Robert H. and Beverly A. Deming Center for Entrepreneurship, and the CU Real Estate Center. Merit-based awards are given based on materials submitted during the application process. The award criteria include prior academic achievement, professional accomplishments, and extracurricular contribution.

When completing your on-line application, you should indicate those fellowship awards for which you would like to be considered and submit the required essays at that time. **For optimal consideration, fellowship applications should be submitted with the online application for admission.**

Leeds School of Business Fellowships

Some of the Leeds Fellowship funding is entirely merit-based and some is both merit- and need-based. In order to award our funding efficiently, all applicants for Leeds Fellowships who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents should file a Federal Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This form should be submitted online at www.fafsa.ed.gov/ after you have filed your 2010 income taxes.

International candidates may be awarded Leeds Fellowship funding, but are not required to file the FAFSA form.

To apply, please include a one-page essay addressing the following:

The personal contributions you will make to the MBA classroom and to the Leeds community is a critical component of the MBA experience. Discuss how your academic and professional experiences will uniquely support the MBA program and what you are most excited to contribute as a member of the Leeds School.

Entrepreneurship Fellowships

The Robert H. and Beverly A. Deming Center for Entrepreneurship offers merit-based fellowships to MBA students who plan to pursue the study of entrepreneurship.

To apply, please submit a one-page essay addressing the following:

What has been the evolution and extent of your interest in entrepreneurship, and what you expect to gain from your participation in the Boulder MBA entrepreneurship program and courses? What are your career objectives? How will this fellowship benefit your post-MBA career? Please include any other information that may assist the selection committee.

Real Estate Fellowships

The CU Real Estate Center offers merit-based fellowships to MBA students who plan to pursue the study of real estate.

To apply, submit a one-page essay addressing the following:

What has been the evolution and extent of your interest in real estate, and what you expect to gain from your participation in the Boulder MBA real estate program and courses? What are your career objectives? How will this fellowship benefit your post-MBA career?" Please include any other information that may assist the selection committee.

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Barney Ford Diversity Fellowship

The Barney Ford Fellowship was created by Leeds alumni to increase the diversity within the MBA program. The fellowship provides additional support for people of diverse backgrounds to attend the Leeds School, and of equal import, provides an opportunity for students in the program to gain valuable insights into business issues from a diversity of viewpoints.

To apply, please submit a one-page essay addressing the following question:

Please explain why you feel it is important to promote diversity in an MBA program and explain how your background will enhance diversity at the Leeds School of Business.

Leeds School of Business MBA Program/NSHMBA MBA Scholarship

The Leeds School participates in the National Society of Hispanic MBAs University Partnership Program, providing merit scholarship support for at least one candidate each year. Applicants who meet the minimum eligibility requirements established by NSHMBA (listed, below) should submit an essay with their application for admission.

To apply, please submit an essay (no more than 1,000 words) addressing the following:

Please address your commitment to the Hispanic community.

Minimum eligibility for NSHMBA student scholarship applicants

- Be a United States Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident
- Preference may be given but is not limited to students of Hispanic heritage or students with a demonstrated commitment to the Hispanic community.
- Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent) from either a bachelor's degree or master's degree.
- Be enrolled in the graduate AACSB accredited business program at the University Partnership Program member.