Each year the Graduate School awards a limited number of Arthur J. Schmitt Dissertation Fellowships. The fellowships provide support to Ph.D. students who have demonstrated excellence in all aspects of graduate study and are in the final stage of doctoral work, i.e. completing the dissertation. The fellowships include a stipend, a tuition scholarship, and health insurance. Each department is only allowed to nominate TWO candidates for the Arthur J. Schmitt Dissertation Fellowships.

The Arthur J. Schmitt Foundation supports graduate level study at several Catholic universities and the directors of the foundation work to fulfill the late Mr. Schmitt’s educational mission by stressing the importance of intellectual development and service to others. Given the importance of becoming future leaders who serve others, participation in leadership seminars and a service activity is required during the year the fellowship is awarded.

Students with identities that are under-represented in their disciplines are strongly encouraged to apply. The Graduate School at Loyola University Chicago believes that students and our community are best served when the university population reflects the larger society and encourages the programs under its jurisdiction to embrace diversity and strive for inclusion. A diverse academic community enhances the pursuit of knowledge and its contribution to our understanding of the world around us.

Eligibility Requirements
By the application due date of January 15, 2020, applicants are required to have:

1) either been awarded candidacy OR have completed all steps to advance to candidacy except for successful completion of IRB approval, which must be completed by no later than June 1, 2020;
2) an anticipated defense of the dissertation no sooner than January 31, 2021 and no later than the end of the award year in August 2021;
3) submitted all required application material so that it is received electronically by the Graduate School no later than midnight on Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

The fellowship is conditional upon the applicant’s meeting all eligibility requirements, which are solely the applicant’s responsibility. The application of a student who does not meet the eligibility requirements will not be considered. If it is determined after awarding a fellowship that the recipient has not met the eligibility requirements, the fellowship will be withdrawn.

Decision Criteria
The Graduate Fellowships Committee, an independent body of Graduate School faculty members from a variety of disciplines, reviews the applications and makes award recommendations based on the following criteria:

1) Student’s Academic Record;
2) Intellectual Strength of Proposal; and
3) Student’s Leadership Potential
条件的接受

在接受奖学金时，每位获奖者同意：

1) 参加现场活动：
   a. 一次午餐研讨会，主题为追求知识以服务于人类；
   b. 一系列“领导力对话”活动，供Schmitt学者参与；
   c. 在跨学科研究生研究研讨会中展示论文研究；
   d. 参与三分钟论文演讲活动；
2) 参与服务项目，为期一年；
3) 全职撰写论文；和
4) 不再同时接受其他资金来源。

申请

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- **星期四，2020年1月2日**：部门评估表和补充材料必须在截止时间前送达部门；
- **星期三，2020年1月15日**：申请人所需申请材料的PDF版必须在午夜前发送到研究生院的奖项协调员。

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