

The J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Residential Building Construction

2018 Application Due Date: **Friday, February 9, 2018**

About the J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Residential Building Construction

The purpose of this fellowship is to recognize and provide financial assistance to graduate students who are already involved in or plan to perform research in housing and residential building construction. This fellowship began in 2006 in honor of J. Roger Glunt, past President of the National Association of Homebuilders.

Eligibility Requirements

This is an award for **full-time graduate students** enrolled or planning to enroll in the **College of Engineering** at Penn State University.

Eligible applicants are expected to manifest promise of academic achievement, demonstrate qualities of leadership, perseverance, and dependability, in addition to demonstrating a specific and proven interest and commitment to the U.S. residential construction industry.

Application Process

The J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Residential Construction has both a written application process and an in-person interview component.

Step 1 – Written Application

The following written application materials are due to Rachel Fawcett by email (rfawcett@engr.psu.edu) no later than **Friday, February 9, 2018**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Submission instructions include:

- PDF file format
- One combined file in the order listed below

Required application materials include:

- 1) Completed Application (Page 2)
- 2) an “Unofficial Academic Transcript”
- 3) an “Academic Course Plan” for the applicant’s graduate program at Penn State
- 4) a 1-page description of activities or experiences that demonstrate the applicant’s leadership, perseverance, and dependability qualities
- 5) a 1-page description of the applicant’s knowledge of the U.S. housing industry with regard to the current state, economic and social benefits, as well as the challenges facing the housing industry, *and*
- 6) a 2-page typewritten statement of “Career Objectives” (both short- and longer-term) and your interest in and connection with the U.S. housing industry or houses (see details on Page 2), including how your current university studies connect to and/or influence the U.S. residential construction industry.

Step 2 – In-Person Interview

Selected applicants will be invited for a **10-15 minute interview by the J. Roger Glunt Fellowship Committee for the afternoon of Monday, March 26, 2018**. Committee members include J. Roger Glunt, the CEO of the National Housing Endowment, and the CEO of the Pennsylvania Builders Association. Applicants will be asked questions regarding their interest in the U.S. residential construction industry and what impact they would like to make in the industry.

Applicants will be notified about their interview selection status by **Monday, March 12, 2018**.

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Name: _____
Last Name First Name M.I.

Address: _____
Street City/State/Zip Code Telephone

PSU Email: _____ Student ID #: 9-_____-_____

Major: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Semesters you will have completed (at any institution) at the end of the Spring Semester 2018 _____

If selected for a Glunt Fellowship, the Committee will request brief annual updates about your career path for a document called "Glunt Fellows: Where are they Now?" Please provide your permanent, non-PSU email address at which a staff member from the Pennsylvania Housing Research Center can contact you for these updates: _____

Please choose ONE:

- Yes, I am available for an in-person interview the afternoon of Monday, March 26, 2018
- No, I am not available for an in-person interview but am available for a phone call interview the afternoon of Monday, March 26, 2018. The phone number you can reach me at is: _____ (note: please include country code if not in the United States)
- No, I am not available for an in-person or a phone call interview the afternoon of Monday, March 26, 2018.

Application Checklist:

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Details on Statement of Career Objectives

In writing your "Career Objectives", pay careful attention to how you present and establish the stated eligibility criteria and provide (very briefly) any other pertinent information concerning your circumstances that might be helpful in assessing your application, such as:

- a) your work related experiences (including part-time, summer, etc.)
- b) residential design or construction or real estate courses that you have taken
- c) relevance of your current or intended research project to the United States housing industry
- d) your involvement in the NAHB Student Chapter, if any
- e) honors or awards that you have received
- f) some indication of your financial situation (i.e. financial need - if you wish to provide this information)