

J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Housing at Penn State

2025-26 Application Due Date: **Monday, March 3, 2025**

About the J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Housing

The purpose of this fellowship is to recognize and provide financial assistance to graduate students, who intend to specialize in housing, and who are enrolled or planning to enroll in the College of Engineering at The Pennsylvania State University. This fellowship began in 2006 in honor of J. Roger Glunt, past President of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

Eligibility Requirements

This is an award for **full-time graduate students** enrolled or planning to enroll in the **College of Engineering** at Penn State for the 2025-26 academic year. Eligible applicants are expected to manifest promise of academic achievement, demonstrate qualities of leadership, perseverance, and dependability, and who have **declared an interest in housing**.

Application Process

The J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Housing has both an application process and an interview component. For the 2025-26 Fellowship, the interview will be held via Zoom.

Step 1 – Written Application

The following application materials are due to Mindy Boffemmyer by email (mub21@psu.edu) no later than **Monday, March 3 at 5:00pm ET**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Submission instructions are as follows:

One combined PDF file in the order listed below.

- 1) Completed Application (page 2)
- 2) An “Unofficial Academic Transcript” from Penn State
- 3) An “Academic Course Plan” for the applicant’s graduate program at Penn State
- 4) Up to a 3-page statement responding to the following:
 - a. Describe your experience (if any) working for or contributing to the housing industry.
 - b. Describe your current research specifically answering:
 - i. Is your research applicable to single-family or multi-family housing?
 - ii. How does your research contribute to or benefit housing?
 - c. Describe your future career objectives related to housing after you complete your graduate degree at Penn State.

Step 2 – Zoom Interview

Selected applicants will be invited for a **10-minute interview by the Glunt Fellowship Committee for the afternoon of Wednesday, April 9**. Committee members include J. Roger Glunt, the CEO of the National Housing Endowment, and the CEO of the Pennsylvania Builders Association along with Penn State representatives. Applicants will be asked questions regarding their interest in housing and what impact they would plan to make in the industry.

Applicants will be notified about their interview selection status by Wednesday, April 2.

Application for the J. Roger Glunt Graduate Fellowship in Housing at Penn State

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Name: _____
Last Name First Name M.I.

Address: _____
Street City/State/Zip Code Telephone

PSU Email: _____ Non-PSU Email:* _____

Major: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____ Student ID #: _____

Semesters you will have completed (at any institution) at the end of the Spring Semester 2024 _____

Choose ONE:

- Yes, I am available for a Zoom interview the afternoon of Wednesday, April 9, 2025.
- No, I am not available for a Zoom interview the afternoon of Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Application Checklist:

- Completed Application (above)
- An "Unofficial Academic Transcript"
- An "Academic Course Plan" for the applicant's graduate program at Penn State
- Up to a 3-page statement responding to all the following:
 - a. Describe your experience (if any) working for or contributing to the housing industry.
 - b. Describe your current research specifically answering:
 - i. How is your coursework or extracurricular activities relevant to housing?
 - ii. Is your research applicable to single-family or multi-family housing?
 - iii. How does your research contribute to or benefit housing?
 - c. Describe your future career objectives related to housing after you complete your graduate degree at Penn State.

** 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?" Your permanent, non-PSU email address will be used by a Pennsylvania Housing Research Center (PHRC) staff member for these updates.*