

Amelia Earhart Fellowship 2019 Application

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A Zonta International Program Funded through the Zonta International Foundation

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The Fellowship

The Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowships were established in 1938 in honor of Amelia Earhart, famed pilot and Zonta club member. The Amelia Earhart Fellowships are awarded annually to women pursuing a Ph.D./doctoral degree in aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering. The Fellowship of **US\$10,000** may be used at any university or college offering accredited post-graduate courses and degrees.

Who is Eligible?

Women of any nationality pursuing a Ph.D./doctoral degree who demonstrate a superior academic record in the field of aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering are eligible. Students must be registered in a full-time Ph.D./doctoral program and completed at least one year of that program or have received a master's degree in an aerospace-applied field at the time the application is submitted. Applicants must not graduate from their Ph.D. or doctoral program before April 2020. Please note that post-doctoral research programs are not eligible for the Fellowship. Members and employees of Zonta International or the Zonta International Foundation are also not eligible to apply for the Fellowship. Note that previous Amelia Earhart Fellows are not eligible to apply to renew the Fellowship for a second year.

What are the Requirements?

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Be registered in a full-time Ph.D./doctoral program in a qualifying area of science or engineering closely related to advanced studies in aerospace-applied science or aerospace-applied engineering and completed at least one year of that program or have received a master's degree in an aerospace-applied field at the time the application is submitted. A verification of current enrollment must be submitted with the application. Acceptance letters are not verification of enrollment and will not be accepted.
- Demonstrate a superior academic record at a recognized university or college with accredited courses in aerospace-applied studies as verified by official transcripts and recommendations. In programs where graduate transcripts are not provided as a matter of institutional policy, please provide a statement of that policy from the registrar or other school official. Please note that links from universities containing electronic transcripts will not be accepted.
- Provide evidence of a well-defined research program in aerospace-applied science or aerospace-applied engineering as described in the application essay (in general scientific terms), the academic documents (references, transcripts, verification of enrollment) and the list of publications (Note: please do not attach publications; citing the references is sufficient).
- Clearly demonstrate the relationship of the research to aerospace and furnish verification of research program through at least one of the reference letters required with the application. The thesis supervisor or advisor and a university professor must each be one of the reference.
- Applicant must be registered in a full-time Ph.D./doctoral program by 15 November 2018 and must not graduate before April 2020.

How Do I Apply?

Applicants may apply for the 2019 Amelia Earhart Fellowships at <u>https://zontainternational.awardspring.com/</u> and include:

- Biographical information (as requested on page 4 of the application).
- Plans for intended study.
- List and include official detailed transcripts of grades from all universities/colleges attended, including undergraduate institutions and degrees received (links from universities containing electronic transcripts will not be accepted).
- List and include translated transcripts in English of all grades from all universities/colleges/institutions attended.
- List scholarships, fellowships and honors received, if any.
- List previous publications, if any (please do not attach publications).
- Employment history, if any.
- Essay on academic program and professional goals applicant should describe, in general scientific terms, a well-defined research program (thesis) and professional goals in 500 words or less. Preference will be given to those candidates who can demonstrate a well-defined research program. Clearly identify the relevance of your research to aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering during your Ph.D./doctoral studies.
- Three recommendations from professors (or supervisors); one of the recommendations must be from a thesis supervisor or advisor and one from a university professor.
- □ Verification of Current Enrollment form from the university/college registrar (see page 9 of application).
- All non-English documents must be translated into English to be considered.
- Information other than official transcripts and recommendations must be limited to the space provided; attachments, articles, pamphlets, books, curriculum vitae or other publications are not requested and will not be considered.

What is the Application Process?

The Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship Committee reviews the applications and recommends recipients to the Zonta International Board. All applicants are evaluated on the criteria stated in the requirements section of the application. All details of the evaluations are kept confidential; evaluations are not disclosed to applicants. All applicants will be notified of their status by the end of April 2019.

How may I use the Fellowship Funds?

The Fellowship may be used for tuition, books and fees, or living expenses (room, board or travel).

- 1. The payment of US\$10,000 is planned for September-October subject to any US sanctions regulation.
- 2. For domestic and foreign recipients studying in the United States, Fellowship funds used for tuition, books, fees, supplies or required equipment for the program of study are not considered taxable income. Withholding taxes may be required on funds used for living expenses or other non-qualified expenses, e.g. room, board or travel to conferences.
- 3. Recipients are not permitted to defer the Fellowship.
- 4. Fellows may accept additional grants and scholarships from other sources.

Deadline

The 2019 Amelia Earhart Fellowship application must be submitted by 15 November 2018 to be considered.

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Revision date: July 2018 First Name: Last (Family) Middle Current Mailing Address: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____ Country: _____ City: Email Address: Telephone: Permanent Mailing Address: Telephone: City: State: Postal Code: Country: Birthdate: Day/Month/Year r City/State/Country Country of Citizenship (include all countries of citizenship): Other information, if desired (marital status, children, etc.): University/College/Institution currently attending: Major/Field: Plans for graduate study under the Amelia Earhart Fellowship: Degree Sought: Department/Major Field of Study: Thesis Title/Field of Study: Name of University/College/Institution at which studies will be undertaken:

Academic Background

Your application must include official detailed transcripts of grades or equivalent records from all universities, colleges, or institutions attended, including undergraduate institutions. In programs where graduate transcripts are not provided as a matter of institutional policy, please provide a statement of that policy from the registrar or other school official. Please note that electronic transcripts will not be accepted.

In the tables below, please list the following information on education:

A: Past (Please list the institutions you have attended for post-secondary education prior to Ph.D./doctoral program.):

University/College	(Year) to (Year)	Major Field	Department	Degree	Date Degree Received/ Anticipated

B. Current Ph.D./doctoral program (Please supply letter of current standing.)

University/College	Department	Degree	Date Enrolled	Date Degree Anticipated

Scholarships, Fellowships, Honors Received (Please give dates.):

(Year) to (Year)

Publications (Please list titles, authors and bibliographic references of articles, pamphlets or books, either in manuscript or published form that you have authored or co-authored. Please do **not** send materials or curriculum vitae.):

Employment

From (Month/Year)	To (Month/Year)	Employer	Address	Type of Work or Position Held



Essay: PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION AND GOALS

Please describe in general scientific terms your academic research program (thesis) and your professional goals in 500 words or less. Preference will be given to those candidates who can demonstrate a well-defined research program. **Clearly identify** the relevance of your research to aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering.



Other Activities

Please give a description of your non-scholastic activities, volunteer work and cultural interests:

Recommendations

Please use the following fields to name and send a recommendation letter request to three university professors (or supervisors) who can assess your ability to succeed in graduate study in aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering. These recommendations are confidential and you will not be able to view the completed responses, although you will be able to see the status of the request at any point in time. It is the responsibility to make sure these recommendations have been turned in by the deadline.

Please list below those referees who will submit recommendations:

	Name	Relationship to Applicant (<i>e.g. thesis</i> <i>supervisor)</i>	Title	University/College
1.				
2.				
3.				

Declaration by Applicant

I certify that all of the information contained in my application form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I waive any right to review the letters of reference and attest these letters have been written in confidence.

Date

Signature (Type full name here)

(Please check the appropriate items.)

How did you learn of the Amelia Earhart Fellowship?	Checklist to be completed by applicant	
Social Media	Official Detailed Transcripts (from all	
	universities/colleges/institutions attended)	
Department/Teacher	Translated Transcripts in English (from all	
	universities/colleges/institutions attended)	
Directory of Grants at University Financial Aid Office	Recommendations (3)	
Directory of Grants not at University (e.g., public libraries)	Recommendation Waiver Form	
Website (name):	Verification of Current Enrollment Form	
Previous Amelia Earhart Fellow (name):	Signature	
Zonta Club of:		
Other:		



Recommendation for Applicant for Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship

The applicant above has applied for a Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship for women in a Ph.D./doctoral program in aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering. The Review Committee greatly values and appreciates your opinion. Please discuss the applicant's accomplishments, level of progress, current research program, intellectual independence, capacity for analytical thinking, ability to organize and express ideas clearly, creativity, motivation, and potential for learning. If you are the applicant's thesis supervisor, please provide an estimate of the date of completion for the applicant's Ph.D. program, i.e. date of expected graduation. Please submit recommendation letter on school letterhead with signature.

How well do you know t	the applicant?	Insufficio	ent opportunity to obse	erve:
Please rate the applicar	nt with respect to your e	xperience with other doo	ctoral candidates in thi	s field:
Exceptional	Uery Good	Good	Average	Below Average
Top 5%	Next 10%	Next 15%	Next 30%	Last 40%
Signature (Type full	name here)	Today's Date		



Verification of Current Enrollment Form Amelia Earhart Fellowship

I certify that	(Name)	is currently in
(department)	at	(university/college)
and is enrolled in a(Ph.	D./Doctoral)	Degree.
(Signature of registrar)	(Date)	(Expected graduation date)

(Official University/College Stamp)

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Privacy Policy and Publicity Authorization

Zonta International and the Zonta International Foundation are committed to honoring the privacy and wishes of all of our Amelia Earhart Fellows at all times. In order to do this, please read the following information carefully and indicate your agreement as appropriate.

 Most data collected by Zonta International and the Zonta International Foundation is used only to help Zonta better serve its fellowship recipients. It is our general policy to collect and store only personal information that our recipients knowingly provide. Zonta does not sell, trade, or rent your personally identifying information to third parties. We take reasonable measures not to disclose personally identifying information about you.

I have read the above paragraph and agree to the Terms and Conditions therein.

2. From time to time, Zonta International/Zonta International Foundation conducts various marketing activities to promote the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Program. In addition, to ensure Zonta's ability to fund the Fellowships, the Zonta International Foundation may from time to time provide information to donors to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund about recipients of their donations. Zonta retains the right to use your name, photograph and biographical information to promote the Amelia Earhart Fellowship in various promotional materials, including the Zonta International website.

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Signature (Type full name here)

Today's Date