

Program on Climate Change

PCC Graubard Fellowship Announcement September 2025

The Graubard Fellowship in the Program on Climate Change, funded by Katherine Graubard and William Calvin, will support approximately six students working on climate science research (broadly defined) towards a PhD degree. Proposals for 1-2 quarters (3-6 months) of support (0.5 FTE) to be used by the end of Summer 2026 will be considered.

Eligibility: Students currently matriculated in a graduate program at the UW who have passed their General Exam by the application deadline and have a demonstrated need for support to advance to graduation. Students from any program are invited to apply, with priority given to those in departments active in the PCC. Priority will be given to students who are on track to graduate by the end of Summer 2026.

Application deadline: Noon on October 6, 2025 (email applications to uwpcc@uw.edu with Subject line: Graubard2025_Student Last Name)

Application Requirements (see detailed instructions below):

1. Student's academic transcript from the UW
2. Student's CV including a list of publications, date of General Exam, and estimated date of degree completion
3. 1–2-page research proposal written by the student
4. A budget narrative from the student's PhD advisor(s)
5. Letter of recommendation from the student's PhD advisor(s)
6. A list of current and pending support from the student's PhD advisor(s)

Research proposal instructions:

The student applicant must develop and submit a proposal that is up to two pages long (not including references) that describes their PhD research. The student should describe how their work relates to climate science broadly defined, what work remains to be done before graduation, and how this fellowship would help them achieve their research goals as they advance to graduation.

Recommendation letter instructions:

The letter of recommendation from the student's PhD advisor(s) should speak to the student's academic progress including passing the General Exam, the student's ability to successfully complete the proposed research by the expected degree completion date, and the broader importance of the student's PhD work to climate science.

Budget narrative instructions:

The budget narrative must include (1) the full cost of the fellowship for each quarter of study (including salary, benefits, and tuition), (2) a description of the need for support including a justification for the number of quarters requested, and (3) a detailed description of how this fellowship would be part of a broader plan to support the student through the planned date of degree completion. The support must be used over Winter, Spring, and/or Summer quarters 2026.

Current and pending support instructions:

The current and pending support from the student's PhD advisor(s) should list all current, pending, and submitted sources of support. For each source, please provide (1) project/proposal title, (2) status of support, (3) source of support, (4) start and end dates, (5) total award amount, and (6) which quarters are allocated to support the student applicant.