



**Fellowship Overview:** The AICPA Fellowship for Minority Doctoral Students program provides awards to minority accounting doctoral candidates who show significant potential to earn a Ph.D. in accounting. Fellowship funding is provided by the AICPA Foundation through the contributions of members, professional services firms and others.

**Selection Process:** Applicants are evaluated based on academic and professional achievement, commitment to earning an accounting doctoral degree and financial need. Considerable weight will be given to applicants who are CPAs and/or AICPA members, and those who perform AICPA committee service. Applicants will be notified of final selection by July 15, 2012.

**Payment and Renewals:** \$12,000 per academic year. Awards are made for a single academic year and are renewable for a total of five years, based on student’s satisfactory progress and financial need as a full-time student.

**Deadline:** April 1, 2012

**Questions:** Please refer to the AICPA Diversity website at [aicpa.org/diversity](http://aicpa.org/diversity) or contact the AICPA by emailing [scholarships@aicpa.org](mailto:scholarships@aicpa.org) or calling 919.402.4682.

**Eligibility Requirements:** Eligible applicants must satisfy all of the prerequisites listed below.

PLEASE INITIAL NEXT TO EACH REQUIREMENT TO VERIFY THAT YOU MEET THE REQUIREMENT.	INITIAL
1. a) I have applied to a doctoral program and am awaiting word on acceptance; b) I have been accepted into a doctoral program; or c) I am already matriculated in a doctoral program and pursuing appropriate coursework.	
2. I am Black/African-American, Hispanic or Latino or Native American.	
3. I have earned a master’s degree and/or completed a minimum of 3 years full-time experience in the practice of accounting.	
4. I will be attending school on a full-time basis in Fall 2012 and will continue to do so until I have attained my degree.	
5. I will not work full time in a paid position or accept responsibility for teaching more than one course per semester as a teaching assistant, or dedicate more than one-quarter of my time to working as a research assistant.	
6. I am presently a CPA or plan to pursue the CPA credential. (Non-CPAs: Provide a statement on your plans to become a CPA, including a timeline; AND state whether you meet requirements to sit for the exam in your respective state.)	
7. I am a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (green-card holder).	

**DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2012**  
Return all application materials in **one envelope** (no staples, please) to:  
**AICPA MINORITY DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**  
American Institute of CPAs – Team 331; 220 Leigh Farm Road; Durham, NC 27707

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Materials:** Complete and eligible applications will include the materials listed below. Documents should be submitted in **one** envelope (no staples, please).

PLEASE INITIAL NEXT TO EACH ITEM TO VERIFY THAT YOU HAVE INCLUDED THE ITEM IN YOUR APPLICATION PACKET.	INITIAL
1. Completed application form	
2. Official academic transcript(s) from each post-secondary school from which you have received a degree (through the fall term 2011) <i>You must request that your university's registrar forward the transcript directly to you. Copies will not be accepted.</i>	
3. Copy of acceptance letter(s) to the program(s)	
4. Copy of official test score reports (GMAT or GRE)	
5. Current resume	
6. One-page, typed essay <i>Discuss your academic and professional goals.</i>	
7. Two letters of recommendation (Personal/Professional) <i>At least one reference should include either a CPA or a faculty member who can speak knowledgeably of your professional and academic experience. Recommendations from faculty members must be written on department stationery; CPAs must include state of licensure and number.</i>	
8. Copy of green card (Permanent Residents only)	

## APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

In submitting this application, I hereby agree to the terms below and certify that:

- (1) I have met **ALL** eligibility requirements of this fellowship program and all information provided on this application and supporting documents is correct, complete and accurate. I acknowledge that misrepresentation of the information presented may be grounds to rescind the award. I also agree to inform the AICPA of any significant changes to that information.
- (2) I will work consistently and forthrightly toward completion of my doctoral degree and will not accept responsibilities that will conflict with this objective, such as working in a full-time paid position, teaching more than one course per semester as a teaching assistant, or dedicating more than one-quarter of my time to working as research assistant.
- (3) I understand that the AICPA posts scholarship recipients' names on its website and shares information with state CPA societies, universities and others, and agree that the submission of this application constitutes permission to do so. (Further information about the AICPA's Privacy Policy is available at [aicpa.org/privacy.htm](http://aicpa.org/privacy.htm))
- (4) I further acknowledge and agree that all decisions of the AICPA with regard to eligibility and/or scholarship awards are final and I agree to abide by any such decisions.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Email address:</b>	
<b>Phone number:</b>	
<b>Permanent Address:</b> Street Address City, State, ZIP	

**APPLICANT PROFILE**

**Are you a CPA?**  Yes  No If Yes, indicate State of License and License # \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a member of the AICPA?**  Yes  No If Yes, indicate Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender (check one):**  Male  Female

**Ethnic Group (check one):**

- Black or African-American  Hispanic or Latino  
 Native American

**Anticipated Degree Program:**  Ph.D.  D.B.A.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Major Field of Study:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Anticipated Date of Completion (Month/Year):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you already started a doctoral program?**  Yes  No

**If Yes:**

When did your program begin? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you finished your course work?  Yes  No If Yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you finished your comprehensive exams?  Yes  No If Yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Has your dissertation proposal been accepted?  Yes  No

When do you plan on completing your: (1) Comprehensive Exams? \_\_\_\_\_ (2) Dissertation? \_\_\_\_\_

**If No:**

To which doctoral program(s) have you applied? \_\_\_\_\_

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To which doctoral program(s) have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_



List your scores on the following tests and enclose a copy of your official test score reports.

GMAT EXAM	Score	Percentile
Verbal		
Quantitative		
Total		
Date Taken:		

GRE EXAM	Score	Percentile
Verbal		
Quantitative		
Total		
Date Taken:		

List all of the post-secondary schools you have attended, with the most current school first.

Dates		Name of School	Degree (AA, BA, BS, MBA, etc.)	Major(s)	GPA	
From	To				Overall	Major

List your work experience, present employer first.

Dates		Name, City and State of Employer	Position Held
From	To		

List any **honors, scholarships** or **awards** you have received (indicate date, nature of award and granting organization). \_\_\_\_\_

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List any **extracurricular activities** or **organizations** in which you are or have been an active participant. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_