

## Graduate Student Appreciation Award

Often graduate students' philanthropic, advocacy, and service efforts are left unacknowledged. The Graduate Student Advisory Committee (GSAC) wishes to acknowledge and reward graduate students who are actively invested in making the state of graduate education better at WMU. If you are a WMU graduate student that has participated in a leadership or active role within any one of the registered student organizations, served as the president or chairperson for a department student advisory board of some kind, or engaged in any efforts supporting the state of graduate education this award was developed especially for you!

Award recipients will be acknowledged and presented with their award during the ***Graduate Student Appreciation Reception*** scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. This reception will be open to all graduate students and will take place at the Richmond Center for the Visual Arts.

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### **To apply you must provide the following:**

- Complete copy of the award application
- Brief essay (maximum 500 words)
- One letter of recommendation from someone familiar with your service to the graduate student body

#### *Essay Instructions:*

Please provide a brief essay (maximum 500 words) describing your advocacy, philanthropic, organizational, etc. efforts that directly support the graduate student body and the state of graduate education. ***How have you been of service to the graduate student body at Western Michigan University?*** Examples may include; service on a university committee through your involvement with the GSAC, lobbying on behalf of graduate student needs, serve as a president of a student organization, etc.

\*\* *Please mail complete applications to:*

The Graduate College - GSAC  
Attn: Graduate Student Appreciation Award Committee  
260 W. Walwood Hall  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5242

OR

\*\* *Fax/email complete applications to:*

269.387.8232  
[gsac@wmich.edu](mailto:gsac@wmich.edu)