

# **GAANN Fellowships in Artificial Intelligence and Cybersecurity**

## **Computer Science Department Rowan University**

The Department of Computer Science at Rowan University has been awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) program. The program provides fellowships to assist excellent graduate students pursuing thesis track M.S. degree in Computer Science (CS) or Data Analytic (DA) with focus on Artificial Intelligence or Cybersecurity. The program seeks students with excellent academic record who plan to pursue a career in teaching and research and who have demonstrated financial need.

This program enables a greater number of students from traditionally underrepresented backgrounds, including women and minorities to pursue MS degree in Computer Science or Data Analytics at Rowan University.

The two year (four semesters) GAANN fellowship will provide:

1. Full coverage of tuition and fees
2. Annual stipend of up to \$34,000 (based on financial need as determined by FAFSA)
3. Funding for research equipment, research-related travel expenses, books

### **Eligibility Requirement:**

- Be enrolled or accepted as full-time graduate student at Department of Computer Science at Rowan University and pursue Thesis track option in the area of AI or CyberSecurity
- Demonstrate financial need based on FAFSA. Prospective GAANN fellows must complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). The fellow will be paid a stipend at the level of support equal to that provided by the National Science Foundation graduate fellowships. The fellow's stated level of need is determined by FAFSA.
- Have an excellent academic record.
- Anticipate a future career in teaching or research.
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident of the United States.

### **Application Requirements:**

- Current curriculum vitae or resume
- A personal statement (1-2 pages describing your background, why you should be considered for GAANN fellowship, and what areas of research you are interested in)
- A current transcript
- Two letters of recommendation
- Complete a FAFSA application (<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>)

**How to Apply:**

To apply please e-mail a single PDF file with all application documents (except recommendation letters) to Dr. Bo (Beth) Sun ([sunb@rowan.edu](mailto:sunb@rowan.edu)) and Dr. Vasil Hnatyshin ([hnatyshin@rowan.edu](mailto:hnatyshin@rowan.edu)). Recommendation letters should be e-mailed directly to Dr. Sun and Dr. Hnatyshin on behalf of the applicant.

**Application Submission Deadlines:**

Applications for start in Spring 2020 are accepted October 1<sup>st</sup> - November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Applications for start in Fall 2020 are accepted during April 1<sup>st</sup> - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 for Fall 2020

**Questions?**

For more information about GAANN fellowship at CS department, please contact Dr. Bo (Beth) Sun and Dr. Vasil Hnatyshin.

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