



EMORY

LANEY
GRADUATE
SCHOOL



Kharen Fulton Award for Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement in Graduate Education

NOMINATION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES FOR LANEY GRADUATE SCHOOL

This Award will be given annually and has been created to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Kharen Fulton and her dedication to diversity in graduate education. The LGS Diversity Award will be presented to one LGS doctoral scholar in acknowledgment of his or her personal and professional efforts towards diversity, inclusion, and community engagement in the Laney Graduate School at Emory University. Award recipients will receive a framed citation and an award prize of **\$2,000**. The award winner will be announced during the Celebratory Announcement of Laney EDGE Fellowship Recipients in October 2020.

ELIGIBILITY

- Any full-time LGS doctoral scholar in good academic standing can be nominated. *Master's scholars are not eligible.*
- Nominees must be rising 2nd years or higher and will not be completing their degree work prior to August 2021.

AWARD CRITERIA

Recipients will hold a record of dedication to diversity, inclusion, and community engagement on the Emory campus and in the greater Atlanta and relevant academic community during their LGS matriculation. The award honors a scholar who:

- Is an outstanding advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion at the program, school, and university level
- Demonstrates a commitment to the advancement of diversity and inclusion at Emory University and/or in the community through research, teaching, service, and collaborative partnerships
- Demonstrates a commitment to creating a culture of inclusion within his or her areas of influence
- Implements or supports initiatives that cultivate/advance/model diversity and inclusion within the Laney community
- Leads student advocacy and support of student organizations
- Volunteers with other institutes, offices, or programs on campus to expand and strengthen the LGS diversity initiatives
- Promotes human rights, dignity, and equity in LGS and throughout society as a whole.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations of scholars will be accepted from Program Directors, Directors of Graduate Studies, Chairs of departments and programs, graduate faculty, or graduate students/mentees. Self-nominations will also be accepted.

A complete nomination must be received by **5 pm on October 15**, and should include:

- Nomination letter with the nominee's full name, address, email address, phone number, graduate program, primary academic appointment, and a detailed description of the nominee's commitment to diversity, inclusion, and community engagement (no more than 2 pages)
- CV/Resume of the nominee

Complete nomination packages should be emailed as **ONE PDF FILE** to the attention of Naima Barton (naima.barton@emory.edu).

SELECTION

The award receipt will be selected by a sub-committee of the LGS Senior Leadership Team. The recipient will be notified on October 19.

QUESTIONS? Contact LGS Associate Dean Amanda Marie James at amandamariejames@emory.edu.