

The Department of Economics has funding available to help Ph. D. students defray costs of data acquisition and costs of collecting new data. Students can submit a joint application if two more students wish to obtain the same data set.

For data that cost less than \$600, applications may be made at any time and will be considered on a rolling basis.

For data that cost more than \$600, applications may be made twice yearly. The deadlines are:

- The due date for summer fellowship proposals near the end of January.
- October 1.

Please supply two separate PDF files:

1. A one page document that gives: the name of your faculty adviser; URLs for the data set description and purchase; the dollar amount requested; a one or two paragraph description of the advantages of the data requested relative to the closest freely available alternative.
2. A proposal that describes the research project. If you are applying for a summer fellowship, the fellowship application can be used to satisfy this request. Funding of a summer fellowship need not imply funding of the data request or conversely.

Among other factors, preference will be given to proposals that: include preliminary or illustrative results using freely available data; are less expensive; are central to the lead chapter in a dissertation; will be used by more students; and involve data that have relatively special qualities.