**Application Form for U.S. Department of Education GAANN Fellowship**

Department of Computer Science

University of Houston



The GAANN Fellowship is available for exceptional students who meet the following criteria:

* U.S. citizens or permanent residents,
* Are currently enrolled as graduate students in the Computer Science program, have applied to, or have been accepted to UH’s Ph.D. program in Computer Science,
* Have an excellent academic record,
* Have a financial need and must complete the FAFSA form,
* Are planning to pursue a Ph.D. in Computer Science with a concentration in Cybersecurity, and
* Are planning a career in teaching or research in Cybersecurity

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| **Applicant Information** |
| Name (Last, First): | E-mail:  |
| Permanent Address: | Local Address (if different): |
| Citizenship: (Attach document) [ ] U.S. citizen or national [ ] U.S. permanent resident [ ] Others (Specify):  | E-mail:  |
| Phone (Mobile preferred): |
| **Graduate Study** |
| Student ID Number (if available): | Application Status [ ] Applying as new student for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ semester [ ] Enrolled at UH since  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ semester |
| Advisor (if known): |
| **Employment Status** |
| If supported by the fellowship, I plan to study [ ] full-time [ ] part-time | If supported by the fellowship, I plan to work [ ] full-time [ ] part-time [ ] noneoutside the University |

I understand that the GAANN program office will have access to my admission, academic, and student financial aid records. This is to reduce the amount of redundant paperwork for the applicant. I certify the information above is accurate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A complete application should include:

1. This application form.
2. Updated CV/Resume.
3. Application to FAFSA: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>.
4. Proof of citizenship or permanent resident status.
5. An essay (250-500 words) indicates your career aspirations, academic motivation, and interest in Cybersecurity and the Ph.D. program.
6. Two letters of recommendation\*.
7. Transcripts for all previous academic work\*.

\*: May skip these documents if you have already submitted them with your application for admission.

Mail application material to:

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| **GAANN Essay** |
| Write an essay (250-500 words) indicating your career aspirations, academic motivation, and interest in Cybersecurity and the Ph.D. degree. Please feel free to use a separate sheet. |