Quick Facts
- Mayo Graduate School became an independent graduate school in 1989
- Offers PhD and MD-PhD degrees
- Teaching faculty of Mayo Clinic – approximately 200 physicians and scientists

Diversity Message
Diversity is a priority for the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine. Mayo Graduate School works cooperatively with the College of Medicine Office for Diversity and Mayo Clinic Office of Diversity and Inclusion to develop and implement strategies to increase the number of minorities underrepresented in biomedical research applying to and enrolling in Mayo Clinic programs. Annual Dean’s fellowships are provided for outstanding diverse students which include additional career development opportunities.

Current overall diversity of MGS
- Approximately 30 new PhD students matriculate each year, currently 185 enrolled.
- 15% of enrolled students are from underrepresented backgrounds and 25% are international students. 60% of enrolled students are women.

Prospective Learners Opportunities
- CDI: Career Development Internships
  - Industry and academic institutions internships which provide PhD students opportunities to gain exposure to alternative career paths.
- Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship
  - 10 week summer research experience for undergraduate students interested in pursuing a PhD or a MD/PhD degree.
  - Participants receive a $5,000 stipend.
  - Application deadline is February 1
  
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- Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP)
  - Provides recent college graduates from underrepresented or disadvantaged backgrounds an intense mentored biomedical research experience for either 1 or 2 years in preparation for PhD or MD-PhD programs.
  - Participants receive a $25,000 stipend, tuition waivers, travel awards.
  - Application deadline is May 1
  
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Support Programming

- **Initiative for Maximizing Student Development (IMSD)**
  - Provides a 2-year sequence of professional development activities for Mayo PhD and MD/PhD students to help them develop the skills they need to become independent biomedical research scientists.
  - Program activities provide a fellowship and social network with peers, which can reduce psychological stress and isolation at a large institution.
  - Oral presentation and grant writing workshops coupled with academic support is provided in preparation for written and oral qualifying exams.
  - Financial support includes fellowship support and funding to attend a national research conference.

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