

BACKLIN FUND APPLICATION

ID#/ _____
NAME _____ DATE _____
ADDRESS _____ E-MAIL _____

(City) (State) (Zip) HOME PHONE _____
ADVISOR _____ CAMPUS EXT. _____
MAJOR _____ DEGREE _____ G.P.A. _____

TOTAL NO. OF GRADUATE HOURS PASSED AT WPI APPLICABLE TO DEGREE SOUGHT _____

IN WHAT SEMESTER DID YOU BEGIN GRADUATE WORK AT WPI _____

IN WHAT SEMESTER WILL YOU COMPLETE ALL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS _____

GIVE EDUCATIONAL AND FINANCIAL HISTORY AT WPI:

	HOURS PASSED	GPA	HOW FINANCED (TA, RA, SELF, OUTSIDE)
ACADEMIC YEAR #1	_____	_____	_____
ACADEMIC YEAR #2	_____	_____	_____
ACADEMIC YEAR #3	_____	_____	_____
ACADEMIC YEAR #4	_____	_____	_____
ACADEMIC YEAR #5	_____	_____	_____

WRITE A STATEMENT IN WHICH YOU:

1. EXPLAIN AT WHAT POINT YOU ARE IN YOUR RESEARCH AND WHAT FURTHER SCHOLARSHIP IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE ALL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS.
2. EXPLAIN YOUR PAST FUNDING FOR GRADUATE STUDY AT WPI AND THE EMERGENCY YOU NOW FACE.

Signature of Applicant

In my opinion the applicant is making satisfactory progress and will complete the degree requirements within an additional semester of study. I do not have grant support, professional development funds, research incentive funds, or other funds which can be used to assist this student. **(Advisor: Please write explanation and then sign. Please include completion date.)**

Signature of Thesis Advisor

I recommend the applicant for Backlin Fund emergency support. There are no funds under my administration which can be used to support this student.

Signature of Department Head

BACKLIN SCHOLARSHIP

Axel F. Backlin Tuition Scholarship Department heads may request funding from the Backlin Scholarship on behalf of deserving graduate students by contacting the Office of Graduate Studies.

Every effort should be made to seek funding from other sources before submitting an application for Backlin support. Among other sources are advisor's grant funds, departmental funds, work opportunities, and loans. (Check with your advisor, the department head, and the Financial Aid Office.) The credit requirements for the degree should already have been met prior to applying for Backlin support.

The attached application must be filled out in full and submitted thirty (30) days before the start of classes. It is necessary to obtain the signature of your thesis advisor who is asked to attest to your academic progress and the likelihood that you will complete all degree requirements in the next semester and to affirm that he/she cannot support you from grant funds for your final semester at WPI. The signature of the department head is necessary to attest that other sources of funding that he/she administers are not available to you at this time. More importantly, the recommendation of your advisor and department head is crucial for consideration.

After the form is filled out and signed, please forward the form to Debbie Baron at dabaron@wpi.edu for processing.