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Montana State University has been allotted two additional National Defense Education Act fellowships in its graduate program in geology, MSU President H. K. Newburn announced.

The fellowships, allocated by the U. S. Office of Education to approved graduate schools, provide for three years of advanced training leading to the doctor's degree in geology. Each fellow receives a stipend of $2,000 for the first year, $2,200 for the second and $2,400 for the third, plus an allowance for dependents.

In addition to the stipend to the fellowship recipient, the NDEA Act provides for an accompanying grant to the institution to pay for the cost of educating fellowship holders, Dr. Newburn pointed out. The new allocation to MSU may be expected to furnish an additional $15,000 over three years for support of the graduate program in geology, he said.

Applicants for the fellowships should apply directly to the dean of the MSU Graduate School, according to Dr. Newburn. From the applications received, MSU will submit nomination to the Commissioner of Education, who will award the fellowships. Interested students should apply to MSU as soon as possible because the University must submit its nominations to the Commissioner of Education by March 5.

MSU was the first institution in the nation to receive NDEA support for its graduate program in geology, Dr. Newburn noted. With the two new fellowships, which go into effect in the fall of 1961, the University will have eight NDEA geology fellows. Four of them received fellowships in 1959 and will be completing the three-year program next year, two will be entering their second year of advanced study and two will be beginning their first year.

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