What will an external fellowship do for you?

- SMD PhD students receiving an external fellowship awarding at least 75% of stipend receive a 10% bonus. *see policy for details
- Other financial benefits - many costs may be covered depending on the funding source.
- Independence! You will have brought in your own money, and this project is your own.
- Grant-writing experience is necessary for a successful academic research career.
- An external fellowship looks great on your CV.
- Going through the process helps you learn to crystallize your thoughts and ideas into a concrete plan.
- The scientific review by a board of experts in your field gives you first-hand experience in the review process.