

Tuition Fellowship Program Policy

The following policy applies to all graduate assistants whose appointments begin Fall 2013 or later. For graduate assistants appointed before Fall 2013, the current policies will continue for the tuition fellowship support provided to them through the end of their degree program.

University funded in-state tuition support will be limited to 110% of the number of hours required for a graduate degree. Exceptions to this limit can be provided with documentation of the academic need and demonstration of good stewardship of the support already provided, with the approval of the graduate dean.

This tuition support will be provided for one of the following:

- One Master's degree or recognized dual-degree Master's program;
- One PhD degree;
- One Master's degree plus one PhD degree within the same or a complementary field.

University funded full tuition support will only be provided to graduate assistants receiving a 0.33 or higher Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) assistantship for each semester during the academic year.

- Those with 0.25-0.32 FTE assistantships will receive 50% tuition support.
- Those with < 0.25% FTE will not be provided tuition support.

Minimum monthly salaries are set at the following:

- 0.25 FTE is set at \$612
- 0.33 FTE is set at \$808
- 0.50 FTE is set at \$1224
- 0.66 FTE is set at \$1616
- 0.75 FTE is set at \$1836

0.25 FTE and higher graduate assistants will continue to be classified as in-state residents for the purposes of determining tuition charges.

Graduate assistants who have received a 0.33 FTE or higher assistantship for both Fall and Spring semesters of a given academic year will receive tuition support during the corresponding Summer semester.

For every two FTE on-campus graduate students within a college/school who received full-tuition support from external sources (either self-funded or from external grants), the associated college/school is allowed to provide one 0.25 FTE graduate assistant with full tuition support for up to 110% of the hours required for that student's degree program.

This policy will be reviewed in two years and appropriate changes considered to address concerns that are identified.