Graduate Student Funding Template 2015-2016

Aim to equally distribute the total funding for the year amongst the three academic terms. For MAs this means $5,000/term and for PhDs it is $7,333/term (for the usual $15K/$22K offers).

MA – Offer $15,000/yr (Most common scenario is with 2TAs for the year):
Fall 2015: $4,489 TA + $511 Dept Grd Schlp = $5,000
Winter 2016: $4,489 TA + $511 Dept Grd Schlp = $5,000
Spring 2016: $5,000 Dept Grd Schlp

PhD – Offer $22,000/yr
1) Scenario 1: 1TA + 1 sessional (typically for upper year doctoral students):
Fall 2015: $4,489 TA + $2,844 Dept Grd Schlp = $7,333
Winter 2016: $8,244 sessional
Spring 2016: $6,423 Dept Grd Schlp

2) Scenario 2: 2TAs:
Fall 2015: $4,489 TA + $2,844 Dept Grd Schlp = $7,333
Winter 2016: $4,489 TA + $2,844 Dept Grd Schlp = $7,333
Spring 2016: $7,333 Dept Grd Schlp

MA or PhD OGS recipient (OGS is $15,000 and PGS is $10,000 = $25K for the year):
1) Scenario 1 – with TA
Fall 2015: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667
Winter 2016: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO + $4,489 TA* + $511 PGS Fac Match** = $11,667
Spring 2016: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667
2) **Scenario 2 – with sessional**

Fall 2015: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667  
Winter 2016: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO + $8,244 sessional = $14,911  
Spring 2016: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667

Follow the OGS payment template for SSHRC/NSERC/CIHR recipients.

*Note: externally (OGS and tri-agency) funded students MUST hold one TA as part of their Dept/Fac portion of the PGS. If they opt out of the TA, they will lose the $5,000 PGS.

**Dept Coordinators are responsible to alert me when students are holding a TA in a particular term as part of their PGS. Once I have this information I will disburse the Faculty Matching portion of the PGS ($511).**

**Other important notes:**

1) OGS has a $10,000 limit of additional merit-based scholarship that a student can receive. Thereby, by receiving the 10,000 PGS this limit is maxed out. However, since most students are TAing as part of their PGS, this frees up some scholarship money that they are able to receive (Ex: PDEAW, GRS, Department specific awards/scholarships, etc). They are allowed to hold additional TA/RA as this is considered employment.

2) Any additional TA/sessional appointments (second TA for externally funded students or third TA for regularly funded students) are considered above and beyond the funding package in the student offer. Note, three TAs per year are not encouraged as they may significantly slow down the student’s progress in the program.

3) If a student does not have an 80% average, they cannot be paid from a scholarship account. I have left it at the department’s discretion as to whether you would still like to pay funding to these students. Should you wish to pay them, I will be using an Arts Award account to process their funding, hence you have to alert me of these students on a per case basis.