Graduate Student Funding Template 2022-2023 – Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts aims to equally distribute the total funding for the year amongst the three academic terms.

For MAs who receive $18,000 or $15,000 annually this is not possible with the new TA rate. See the distribution below of how MA students should receive their funding.

For students enrolled in the PhD program prior to September 1, 2018 should receive $8,168/term ($24,504 annually). For domestic PhD students who started their program after September 1, 2018, their funding package would be $8,333/term ($25,000 annually).

**MA – Offer $15,000/yr** (pre-2022 - Most common scenario is with 2 TAs for the year):

- Fall 2023: $6,617 TA = $6,617
- Winter 2023: $6,617 TA = $6,617
- Spring 2023: $1,766 Dept Grd Schlp

**MA – Offer $18,000/yr** (effective 2022 cohort - Most common scenario is with 2 TAs for the year):

- Fall 2022: $6,617 TA = $6,617
- Winter 2023: $6,617 TA = $6,617
- Spring 2023: $4,766 Dept Grd Schlp

**PhD students admitted prior to September 1, 2018 – Offer $24,504/yr**

1) **Scenario 1: 1 TA + 1 sessional (typically for upper year doctoral students):**
   - Fall 2022: $6,617 TA + $1,002 Dept Grd Schlp = $7,619
   - Winter 2023: $9,266 sessional
   - Spring 2023: $7,619 Dept Grd Schlp

2) **Scenario 2: 2 TAs:**
   - Fall 2022: $6,617 TA + $1,551 Dept Grd Schlp = $8,168
   - Winter 2023: $6,617 TA + $1,551 Dept Grd Schlp = $8,168
   - Spring 2023: $8,168 Dept Grd Schlp

**New Domestic PhD students ONLY - Effective September 1, 2018 – Offer $25,000/yr**

1) **Scenario 1: 1 TA + 1 sessional (typically for upper year doctoral students):**
   - Fall 2022: $6,617 TA + $1,250 Dept Grd Schlp = $7,867
   - Winter 2023: $9,266 sessional
   - Spring 2023: $7,867 Dept Grd Schlp

2) **Scenario 2: 2 TAs:**
   - Fall 2022: $6,617 TA + $1,716 Dept Grd Schlp = $8,333
   - Winter 2023: $6,617 TA + $1,716 Dept Grd Schlp = $8,333
   - Spring 2023: $8,333 Dept Grd Schlp

**MA or PhD OGS recipient (OGS is $15,000 and PGS):**

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1) **Scenario 1 – with TA**

Fall 2022: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667

Winter 2023: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO + $6,617 TA* = $13,284

Spring 2023: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667

2) **Scenario 2 – with sessional**

Fall 2022: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667

Winter 2023: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO + $9,266 sessional* = $15,933

Spring 2023: $5,000 OGS + $1667 PGS from GSO = $6,667

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

*Note: 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 PGS from the Faculty of Arts, which is the TA/sessional

** Dept Coordinators must alert the Graduate Studies and Research Officer when students are holding any TA or sessional appointment.

**Other important notes:**

1) In the academic year, typically September to August, students who are not externally funded should receive two TAs/RAs + scholarship (if applicable) for two terms, while the third term should be scholarship only. If a student receives a TA/RA in the third term it will be over and above their funding.

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 which the student received. 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 declines a TA, and takes a RA, then the RA will replace the TA for that term. Should the amount of the RA not equal the amount of the TA then the student will receive the difference in scholarship up to the maximum amount payable to the student for each term. For example, an MA student would not receive more than $6,000 or a PhD student would not receive more than $8,168/$8,333 per term. If the RA is more than the minimum amount the student will not be penalized in subsequent terms.

4) A student cannot decline a TA for three terms and expect that they will only receive the full scholarship payment as their funding. Students are expected to either TA or RA as part of their training as graduate students. If a student would prefer to shift their TAship to Winter and Spring, for example, instead of Fall and Winter, that is acceptable as long as the department is sure there are TA opportunities in the Spring term.

5) If a student does not have an average >80%, they cannot be paid from a scholarship account (all scholarship nominations require the average to be displayed and it must be >80%). The Graduate Studies and Research Officer has left it at the department’s discretion as to whether they would still like to pay graduate funding to these students. Should you wish to pay them, the Graduate Studies and Research Officer will be using an Arts Graduate Award account to process their funding, hence you have to alert them of these students on a per case basis.