

University of Calgary Department of Philosophy

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- The Minimum Doctoral Stipend for students enrolled full time in the PhD program is \$22,000 annually for four years for domestic students and \$24,000 annually for four years for international students. Students who are externally sponsored (i.e., admitted with documented financial support from an external agency meeting or exceeding the minimum amount) are not normally funded from university sources, and are exempted from the Minimum Doctoral Stipend.
- 2. The Minimum Stipend for Master's students enrolled full time is \$15,000.00 annually for two years. Where funds are available, international students will normally be guaranteed more money in order to partially offset the higher international fees.
- 3. To be eligible to receive financial support, a student must be registered full time and active in program. Students receiving scholarship funding from their supervisor's grant must fulfill their supervisor's reasonable expectation regarding attendance and activity in the research environment. The funding and its continuation are contingent on maintaining satisfactory progress in the program as outlined in Graduate Calendar section H.3.
 - Employment income as a teaching or research assistant (GAT, GANT, GAR) and income for up to two sessional appointments as outlined in the TUCFA Collective Agreement is included in the guaranteed funding amount offered to students. Students must be available to take this employment; otherwise, the amount of the GAT, GANT, GAR, or sessional position refused will be deducted from the annual funding offered to the student for that academic year.
- 4. All of the following count toward meeting the student's guaranteed funding amount (i.e., the amount guaranteed in the student's offer of admission):
 - Stipend/scholarship payment from supervisor's research grant.
 - GAT/GANT income.
 - Research assistantship income from supervisor's research grant (GAR).
 - Income for up to two sessional appointments as outlined in the TUCFA Collective Agreement.
 - External scholarships, including SSHRC/NSERC/CIHR/AIHS/AITF/AGES.

- Internal scholarships, including from program, or university competitions such as the Graduate Awards Competition. The graduate essay prize is not part of the student's guaranteed funding.
- 5. Students are required to apply for external scholarships for which they are eligible as a condition of their funding.
- 6. Success in external and internal scholarship competitions will affect the student's funding in the following way: Any student who receives a competitive award will be better off than if they had not received the award. Department nominated AGES are not competitive awards.
- 7. If a student receives an award after the funding letter for the academic year has been issued, the Program may redistribute funding, but in no case will the student's total funding be reduced. (For example, a student who received a \$5,000 scholarship in the Fall semester, might have their department funding reduced by some amount less than \$5,000.
- 8. Students are responsible for paying tuition and fees annually. See https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/p-1-2.html
- 9. Students with funding from university sources can apply for a payment plan. See https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/tuition-and-fees/graduate-student-payment-plan