DOCTORAL STUDENTS
TUITION REMISSION, FEES, COMPENSATION, SUPPLEMENTATION

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Definitions

See Graduate Assistantships Policy and Graduate Assistant Contract for definitions of assistantship types, minimum eligibility requirements for assistantships, and normal working hour requirements for assistantships. http://www.ecu.edu/gradschool/

Overview

The purpose of this policy is to clarify eligibility requirements and costing procedures for graduate student compensation, tuition and fees remission and health insurance.

General

All full-time Doctoral students receiving a full-time assistantship (20 hours - Graduate Assistant, Graduate Teaching Assistant, Graduate Research Assistant) will receive in-state tuition remission and paid (individual only) health benefits as part of their assistantship.

In order to be eligible for the tuition remission and health benefits, as part of their assistantship, the student must maintain their full-time status by enrollment in a minimum of 9 student credit hours per semester. However, the minimum 9 SCH requirement will not apply for the summer sessions. Assistants may be employed full-time during the summer sessions.

In the accounting system, the costs of the tuition remission, health benefits, and FICA (when required) will normally be charged to the fund providing the assistantship compensation. However, departments may choose to charge another non-sponsored fund for cost of the tuition remission and health benefits.

Only in-state tuition remission will be required and costed under this policy. Departments may request out-of-state tuition remission through procedures outlined in the Graduate School Policies. At their discretion, departments may provide out-of-state tuition remission from non-sponsored funding sources. Out-of-state tuition remission may not be charged to a sponsored project.

As part of the Graduate Assistant Offer Letter, the Department must outline these benefits to be provided to the student. As part of the Graduate Assistant Contract, the Department must outline the costing of the tuition remission, health benefits, and FICA requirements (i.e., provide fund accounting information). Departments may not waive provision of tuition remission, health benefits, and FICA to
eligible graduate assistants. All eligible Doctoral assistants must receive the same level of benefits, regardless of funding source of the assistantship.

As needed, assistants may select family health coverage. However, the difference in cost between the individual coverage and the family coverage must be paid by the student assistant. The family coverage premium cannot be charged to any University funding source.

**Sponsored Projects**

The Office of Grants and Contracts (OGC) must preapprove costing of tuition remission to a sponsored project as not all grant programs allow such costs. Departments are encouraged to submit Scholarship Forms early, to assure timely review and processing for student accounts.

Tuition remission, fees and health benefits may not normally be charged to a sponsored project unless the assistant is also paid on the sponsored project. Occasionally an institutional training sponsored project may allow tuition/health only to be charged for a trainee. OGC must preapprove any tuition/benefits-only charges to a sponsored project.

Some sponsors establish maximums for compensation, tuition/fees and other eligibilities. If the sponsor authorities are less that the amounts needed, the Department will need to cost the difference to a non-sponsored fund.

For NIH supported assistants, the combination of compensation, stipend and tuition remission cannot exceed the NRSA postdoctoral program level 0 compensation rate (from all funding sources). For FY 2007 the maximum is $36,996. NIH announces new levels annually, usually in January-February. NIH compensation maximums must be applied at the appropriate rate for 12 months from the date of appointment. OGC will publish new rates as they are received from NIH.

In general, sponsored projects cannot be charged higher rates or provide additional benefits/subsidies/compensations than would be provided to all graduate assistants. The same benefits/rates must be provided to all graduate assistants, regardless of funding source. This policy applies to graduate assistantships and tuition remission on research and other service awards. Other procedures may apply to institutional training programs.

Tuition remission, fees and health benefits for master’s graduate assistantships may not be charged to federal sponsored projects (except for eligible training programs). Tuition remission, fees and health benefits for master’s graduate assistants may be charged to non-federal sponsored projects, if allowed by sponsor guidelines.

Tuition remission, fees and health benefits for undergraduate students may not be charged to any sponsored project (except for eligible training programs).
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Some Graduate and Undergraduate classes are assessed special course fees.

* All MAW/MSA classes will be assessed an additional $125.00 per credit hour for tuition.
* All MSN/PhD/Nursing/Post Master's in MSN classes will be assessed an additional $250.00 per credit hour for tuition.
* All AuD/PhD classes will be assessed an additional $75.00 per credit hour for tuition.
* All MS in OT classes will be assessed an additional $40.00 per credit hour for tuition.
* All PA classes will be assessed an additional $125.00 per credit hour for tuition.
* All MS of Social Work classes will be assessed an additional $34.00 per credit hour for tuition.

**ROOM RATE** (subject to change without prior written notice)

| Standard Double Occupancy - $2900/semester** | New Student/Transfer Resident: $2700/semester |
| College Hill Suites: $2900/semester | East Carolina University Student Housing: 252-328-4210 |

**Additional fees:**

- **Clinical Assessment Fee** (for students living on campus): $75.00
- **University Fees**: $475.50
- **Non-Resident Tuition (Out of State)**: $11,452.00
- **Resident Tuition (Instate)**: $11,452.00
- **Technology Fee**: $63.75
- **Health Service Fee**: $7.50
- **Campus Security Fee**: $15.00
- **Clinical Assessment Fee**: $15.00

**Special Fees:**

- **Remedial Math - additional tuition**: $235.00
- **Reading Labs - extra credit hours**: $25.00
- **Audit Fee Per Course, Non-Resident**: $36.00
- **Audit Fee Per Course, Resident**:

**Residential Meal Plans (Required for students living on campus):**

- **Purple 20**: $1971.00 (Room Only)
- **Purple 40**: $2008.50 (Room Only)
- **Purple Flex**: $2026.00 (Room Only)

**Commuter Meal Plans (Commuter students, faculty, and staff only):**

- **Gold 40**: $1794.80 (Room Only)
- **Gold 60**: $1947.00 (Room Only)
- **Gold 80**: $2049.00 (Room Only)
- **Gold 120**: $2454.00 (Room Only)

**Student Health Insurance Plan:**

- Fall 2016 Amount = $1366.75
- Spring 2017 Amount = $1366.75

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- All AuD/PhD classes will be assessed an additional $75.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All MS in CSDI classes will be assessed an additional $50.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All MS in OT classes will be assessed an additional $50.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All MBNMSA classes will be assessed an additional $125.00 per credit hour for tuition.

Some Nursing courses may be charged additional fees per course.

- All MPH classes will be assessed an additional $100.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All MS of Social Work classes will be assessed an additional $34.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All PA classes will be assessed an additional $89.00 per credit hour for tuition.
- All DPT classes will be assessed an additional $40.00 per credit hour for tuition.

**Residential Meal Plans** (required for students living on campus)

- Purple 1st* $1,948.00/semester
- Purple 10th* $1,955.00/semester
- Gold 1st* $2,670.00/semester
- Gold 10th* $2,820.00/semester

**Commuter Meal Plans** (Commuter students, faculty and staff only)

- Gold 1st* $1,665.00/semester
- Gold 10th* $1,672.00/semester

**Student Health Insurance Plan**

- Fall 2015 Amount = $863.50
- Spring 2016 Amount = $863.50
- September 10, 2015 is the last day to waive out or receive a refund of the Student Health Insurance Plan for Fall 2015.

For more information about this charge and the waiver process please visit [http://www.ecu.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/](http://www.ecu.edu/studentaffairs/studenthealth/)

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**STUDENTS ENROLLED IN 1 OR MORE CAMPUS BASED COURSE(S) WILL BE BILLED AT THE MAIN CAMPUS TUITION AND FEE RATE**
Fall 2015 Important Dates:

Monday, March 23rd – Early Registration

Monday, July 6th – First eBill notification for all Campuses
  • All students will receive weekly eBills for Fall 2015 until October 26th.

Monday, July 6th – First day of class for M-3 and M-4 Medical Students

Thursday, July 30th – Postmark date for mailing in payments for Fall 2015

Thursday, August 6th – All Fall 2015 billing statements are due. All outstanding balances on your billing statement must be paid in full.
  • All schedules will be cancelled for non-payment after 5:00 p.m.
  • Note: The on-line payment system will not be available between 5:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m.

Friday, August 7th – For the Fall 2015 term, the University will assess a $25.00 processing fee beginning on August 7, 2015 for all accounts not paid in full, secured by a tuition payment plan or by pending financial aid. Additionally, any student incurring tuition and fee charges for the first time after August 6, 2015 will be assessed a $25.00 processing fee.

Tuesday, August 11th – First day of class for M-2 Medical Students

Monday, August 17th - First day of class for M-1 Medical Students

Monday, August 24th – First day of class for Dental School

Monday, August 24th – First day of class for Main Campus and Distance Education students

Wednesday, September 2nd – All schedules will be cancelled for non-payment after 5:00 p.m.
  • Note: The on-line payment system will not be available between 5:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 10th – Last day to enroll or waive out of the Student Health Insurance Plan for Fall 2015

Updated: July 16, 2015
Explanation of Main Campus Tuition and Required Fees

Main Campus Tuition and Required fees must be paid by all students enrolled in one or more campus based courses. Amounts listed in parenthesis are the authorized fee rates for Academic Year 2017-2018.

Main Campus Tuition: Receipts for tuition are used to defray a part of the total cost of instruction and other academic expenses.

Additional Professional Tuition: Differential tuition is charged for students enrolled in some graduate level programs. The differential revenue is used to directly support the graduate programs associated with the differential charge and graduate students within the program.

Educational/Technology Fee: These fees provide for specialized instructional supplies and services and for scientific and information technology equipment. ($395)

Health Service Fee: This fee finances health and medical services for students, including the maintenance and operation of the Student Health Center. ($263)

University Fees: University fees are required fees for all main campus students. University Fees can be broken down into the following categories: ($2003)

   Student Activities Fee: These fees provide funds for nonacademic student services and for the maintenance and operation of facilities used in conjunction with those services. Included are funds to operate student union and intramural facilities, and funds that provide for student organizations, yearbooks, and student activities and programs. ($649)

   Athletics Fee: These revenues provide funds for intercollegiate athletic programs and for the maintenance and operations of athletic facilities. ($723)

   Indebtedness Fees: Under the policy for the establishment of fees adopted by the Board of Governors in 1993 and revised in 2003, fees for the retirement of indebtedness are approved at the time a project is approved and established at the time that debt is incurred. Indebtedness fees, once established, remain in effect until the debt is retired. ($460)

   Special Fees: These fees provide funds for specific needs that are not financed from other revenue sources. ($171)

At this time the university does not impose any additional charges specifically related to verification of student identity. Students enrolled in distance education classes in which proctored exams are required may incur charges levied by the proctoring site they choose. Students may obtain a list of proctors located within their geographic area along with any associated fees on the UNC Online Academic Services website at this location http://services.northcarolina.edu/exams/find.php