Financial Assistance

I. Graduate assistantships are typically managed through the office of the Associate Dean. Students on academic probation are not eligible for graduate assistantships.

II. School Assistantship

- a. For students in the professional programs (MA and AuD), graduate assistantships (GAs) can include partial tuition remission, a monthly stipend, or both, and some assistantships provide additional funding to compensate for out-of-state tuition differentials.
- b. For PhD students, typically the GA will cover most of the tuition and a monthly stipend. Students on assistantships work a specified number of hours for the School and are eligible for work study funds if they qualify for them.
 - i. Funding for PhD Students
 - 1. PhDs students in good standing are eligible for Graduate Assistantships (GAs) through the School.
 - 2. GA positions are awarded on the basis of merit.
 - 3. Entering PhD students are automatically considered for funding.
 - 4. The School aims to fully fund PhD students (tuition+ stipend) for at least 3 years, contingent upon annual review and timely progress.
 - 5. GAs require 20 hours of research activity per week.
 - 6. GAs who work at least 10 hours per week are classified as in-state students.
 - 7. GAs are expected to carry a 9-hr load every fall and spring semester (or 3 hours when enrolled only in thesis or dissertation hours).
 - 8. GAs are typically funded via School funds and external grants of individual faculty. Some university-wide fellowships are also available through a competitive application process (e.g., Van Vleet Fellowship).

III. Various sources for GA funding

- a. School: A limited number of graduate assistantships are available to students based on academic credentials and faculty recommendations. All students are automatically considered for this funding; there is no need to apply for it separately.
- b. Grants: Some graduate assistantships are funded through research grants that offer funding opportunities and the chance to work in a research laboratory.

IV. Scholarships and Awards

a. There are a variety of scholarships and awards available through the School and the University. For more information, please visit our <u>Financial Resources</u> page and the University's <u>Scholarships</u> page.