

# **Graduate Tuition Scholarships (GTS)**

## **Terms & Conditions**

### **2016-17**

#### ***Background***

The *Graduate Research Assistant Tuition Supplements (GRATS)* was implemented in 2014-15 to assist each college in growing their domestic eligible numbers. Originally set up to fund Graduate Research Assistantships (GRAs), these funds are now used to create scholarships. As a result of this shift, GRATS was renamed ***Graduate Tuition Scholarships (GTS)*** in 2015.

#### ***Overview***

Each year a total of 50 scholarships will be available university-wide; 35 masters and 15 doctoral scholarships, to students who are entering graduate studies in the upcoming May, September, or January semester. Colleges will receive an allocation annually, based on full-time equivalent (FTE) enrolment reported in the previous fall semester.

#### ***Value and Duration***

Master's: \$16,000 total payable over 2 years

Doctoral: \$32,000 total payable over 4 years

(Please note: On the nomination form you must specify whether the scholarship should be paid in 3 equal installments or 2 equal installments annually. Please pick the payment method that fits best with the student registration patterns for their particular program.)

#### ***Selection Criteria***

Academic excellence as determined by the College Awards Committee.

#### ***Eligibility Criteria***

Canadian or permanent resident students entering a graduate program for the upcoming May, September, or January semester with a minimum 75% admission average.

#### ***Other Conditions***

Students must remain registered full-time and maintain satisfactory progress for the duration of the scholarship in order to maintain funding.

### ***Administration of the Award***

- Colleges will be notified of their new GTS allocation by mid-February each year and should determine how they will be dispersed among their graduate programs
- GTS nominations are due to the Office of Graduate Studies, Awards Officers, no later than April 30 annually for scholarships commencing the following fiscal/academic year
- A GTS nomination form is required for each nominee and must be endorsed by the Associate Dean Research (ADR) for that college. The nomination form is available on the Office of Graduate Studies website:  
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/graduatestudies/faculty-staff/scholarships-and-awards-administrative-guidelines>
- The Office of Graduate Studies will record and track all GTS recipients for the duration of their award
- Nominations must be approved by the Office of Graduate Studies, Awards Officers, prior to release of funds or news of the scholarship is communicated to the student and/or academic program
- The Awards Officers will notify the College Dean's Office once the nominations have been approved and then the College Dean's Office is responsible for communicating nomination approvals to the respective academic programs and/or recipients
- The Awards Officers will notify Student Financial Services to post the scholarships to the students' accounts after they have accepted their offer of admission and been "Moved to Student" on Colleague

### ***Questions?***

Please contact Lois Bamsey or Lisa Cauley, Awards Officers, Office of Graduate Studies. Email [grschol@uoguelph.ca](mailto:grschol@uoguelph.ca) or call Ext 53414 or 53481.