

# Graduate Studies Handbook

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- <sup>a</sup> Effective F2018 for all new students. Note that these numbers do not supersede individual funding letters.
- <sup>b</sup> Scholarship acronyms are defined on the [Graduate Studies website](#). Holders of some NSERC or CIHR Scholarships also receive a Tri-Council Scholarship top-up (TCS) of \$5,000. This is reflected in the listed Total stipends. **Tri-council Top-up.** (Effective S2018, recipients of the Vanier CGS-D or CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC CGS-D recipients are no longer eligible for the top-up. Recipients of a CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC PGS-D or Doctoral Fellowship or a CGS-Master's award will continue to receive the top-up.)
- <sup>c</sup> GTAs constitute an essential part of the stipend for students without scholarship support. Each student is entitled to GTA support, subject to satisfactory performance, during the period prescribed in the letter offering admission to the graduate program. This period is normally 1 GTA unit per year. GTAs are awarded via a competitive process administered by each academic Department in which GTA appointments are available. The GTA compensation rate is set by Collective Agreement.
- <sup>d</sup> GRA for students with a OGS or QEII award is at the discretion of the faculty advisor; however, the total annual stipend must be at least \$2,000 more than the **minimum** stipend.
- <sup>e</sup> Scholarships with a combined value of up to \$2,000 in a given year do not affect the value of GRA support provided to students. Students with larger scholarships may have their GRA reduced.
- <sup>f</sup> GRA for international students with a scholarship(s) is at the discretion of the faculty advisor; however, the total annual stipend will not be less than the minimum stipend . (Effective F2018, International Doctoral Tuition Scholarships (IDTS) will be available to all current and new international doctoral students who meet the eligibility criteria. <https://www.uoguelph.ca/graduatestudies/current/funding/scholarships/internal>

Graduate Award Search Tool <https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/studentfinance/apps/grawards>