



Summer Stipend Guidelines

If you held a graduate assistantship during academic year 2018-2019, you are eligible for the Summer Stipend. Graduate Summer Stipends are service-free awards given to graduate award holders in the summer following their graduate appointments. Masters students are eligible for a total of two summers of fee waiver and summer stipend, and doctoral candidates are eligible for a total of four summers of fee waiver and summer stipend payment.

- The summer stipend will be made in one payment that students will receive in early July.
- **Total registration for summer semester must be at least three GRADUATE credit hours. Students must enroll for a minimum of 1 credit hour during the first summer session (classes beginning on May 21, 2019). graduate credit hours (see below).**

Deadline to register for classes to receive the summer stipend:

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Late charges for summer semester fees will not be charged and do not apply to graduate assistants as long as you do not drop classes.

- The stipend amount is **\$900 for students who served as a grad assistant for 1 semester; \$1800 for 2 semesters**
- Eligibility: ([see Policy Library information](#))
- **Students must be engaged in full time study as defined by the department (see Handbook excerpt below)**

Regardless of what other courses or research hours you take during the summer, you **MUST** enroll in the first summer session to receive your summer stipend. If you are planning to take one or more courses in subsequent summer sessions, **you MUST enroll in at least one research or independent study hour in the first summer session.** Approximately two weeks before classes begin on May 21st, we will check registration for all eligible students and process a single payment for each student. ***You should expect to receive your check sometime between July 1st and July 15th.***

If you do not register for at least one hour of credit in the first summer session, you will not be eligible for the summer stipend. Click here for [Summer Term Dates](#). Remember that a total of 3 grad credit hours for the semester is required by the Graduate School.

Please speak with your advisor or the graduate director for your program to discuss what is expected of you during the summer and plan to enroll in the appropriate hours. Be sure you enroll in at least one hour in the first summer session if you want to be eligible for the Summer Stipend. If you have questions that your advisor or graduate director cannot answer, please feel free to contact me: Lou Haines, Manager of Graduate Student Services at hainesla@miamioh.edu or at gradschool@miamioh.edu

For full information on the summer stipend, please note the information housed on the [MU Policy Library](#).

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