

Funding your Graduate Degree

We are here to help!

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Types of funding

- Scholarships and grants
- Fellowships
- Graduate assistantships
- Financial aid/student loans

Use the Wayne State [Tuition Calculator](#)



Terminology

- **Internal funding** – funding that comes from any source within the university
 - [The Graduate School](#)
 - School or College
 - Department or Program
- **External funding** – from any source outside the university (NIH, NSF, NEH, private foundations, corporations, foreign government, etc.)



Wayne State Graduate School Scholarships

you apply

- **Graduate Professional Scholarships (200+)**
 - Covers up to 10 tuition credits at the in-state graduate school rate in Fall and Winter terms
 - Students must be registered for at least 6 credits each term
 - Application deadline: **March 1**
- **AGRADE Master's Scholarships (~50)**
 - For Wayne State alumni who participated in AGRADE as undergrads and are about to start their first Masters-only semester
 - Covers up to 4 tuition credits at the in-state graduate school rate for Fall and Winter terms.



Wayne State Graduate School Scholarships by nomination

Students are nominated by their program and selected by their school/college. No separate application is required.

- **Master's Scholarships for Recruitment/Retention (~100)**
 - Partial tuition scholarship for Fall and Winter term
- **Dean's Diversity Master's Scholarship (~10)**
 - Tuition scholarship for new Master's students.
- **Dean's Merit Scholarships (~50)**
 - \$3,000 tuition credit per semester for up to 4 semesters, for international master's students participating in a 3+2 agreement.



Private Scholarship Search Engines

These search engines list private scholarships for current and prospective graduate students. Amounts and application deadlines vary.

- [GoGrad](#) (see "Resources" tab for scholarships)
- [SallieMae Graduate School Scholarship Search](#)
- [Scholarship America](#)
- [Scholarships for Hispanic and Latino Students](#)
- [Unigo Scholarships for Graduate Students](#)



Other WSU scholarships and grants

- [WSU Scholarship Opportunities](#)
 - An online clearinghouse of private awards available to current WSU students through WSU schools and colleges
 - You may apply as soon as you are admitted
 - Scholarship amounts vary
 - **Deadline: March 1**



How can I get nominated? Ask!

- Contact your graduate program director
- Let them know you are actively seeking funding, and would like to be considered.
- Meet with them each semester you are in the program, and ask again!



Graduate Assistantships

- Ask your program
 - Not all programs have GTA, GRA or GSAs
 - Many GTA/GRA positions go to PhD students, some also go to master's students
- Benefits include stipend, tuition coverage and subsidized health insurance
- Application process varies by program



Financial aid

- [Federal Student Aid](#) and FAFSA
- Before applying for or accepting any scholarship or fellowship, consult with the [WSU Office of Financial Aid](#) regarding how such an award may affect your financial aid package, including loan eligibility.

