FUNDING

GRADUATE SCHOOL RESOURCES

Resources to help you afford graduate study might include assistantships, fellowships, traineeships, and financial aid. Further funding information (https://grad.wisc.edu/funding/) is available from the Graduate School. Be sure to check with your program for individual policies and restrictions related to funding.

PROGRAM RESOURCES

Social Welfare PhD students receive a robust and competitive funding package. More details are available on our Financial Support page. Social Welfare PhD students are generally guaranteed* a minimum funding package consisting of a 33.4%, nine-month appointment for five years**.

Graduate assistantships appointed at 33.3% or higher (>13 hours/week) provide multiple benefits:

- monthly stipend;
- remission*# of both resident and non-resident tuition (students will still need to pay segregated fees, roughly $726/semester); and
- eligibility for health insurance (health insurance options# for a reasonable premium# are among the country’s best group health insurance plans).

Support funding is available for current PhD students seeking conference, dissertation research activities (e.g., data collection costs, participant incentives, transcription), or emergency funding.

Additionally, incoming and current students are considered for PhD Scholarships and Awards.

*For students in good academic standing, making satisfactory progress in their coursework, performing acceptably in their appointed position, and remaining in residence.

**Many appointments or combinations of appointments go above the minimum guarantee of 33.4%, and may include summer appointments. However, the guarantee of funding is 33.4% for nine months for five years.