

Supplementation of External Fellowships

Premise: The award of competitive external individual fellowships to our graduate students benefits the student, his/her mentor, the graduate program, The Graduate School, and Augusta University. Application for such fellowships should be encouraged and commended.

Policy: Students who compete successfully for eligible individual, external predoctoral fellowships will be rewarded for their efforts in the form of a supplement of \$5,000 above the current Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA) stipend unless the external award is less than \$5,000.

For **example**, if a student is awarded an external fellowship of \$18,000 per year and our current stipend rate is \$25,500, the student's stipend would rise to \$30,500 during the time of the award. The mentor who is funding the student's GRA is responsible for funding the difference in the award and the increased stipend. If a student receives an external award of less than \$5,000, the amount of the award would be added to the existing current GRA stipend level.

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Effective for students with new or current awards receiving external funds as of January 1, 2019