

Financial Aid for Graduate Students

Financial resources are available to assist Old Dominion University graduate students with their educational costs. Most stipends awarded to graduate students are insufficient for meeting all living expenses; therefore, other sources of income are necessary. Of interest to all graduate students are the University and doctoral fellowships, teaching and research assistantships, tuition grants, Federal Direct Stafford Loan Programs, and part-time student employment. Additional information about need-based financial assistance is available from the Office of Student Financial Aid.

Graduate Awards

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies coordinates the selection process for all graduate awards. The graduate program director in the student's declared major is the key person for making the nomination to the provost and vice president for academic affairs for all graduate awards, unless another contact person or application is indicated below. For more information, contact the Office of Research and Graduate Studies. (757) 683-3460

The Alumni Association Outstanding Scholar Fellowships were established in 1984. The fellowships are awarded to two graduate students in good academic standing who are attending Old Dominion University on a full-time or part-time basis. One fellowship must be awarded to an Old Dominion University alumnus/alumna who has been admitted as a full-time student to a graduate program at the University. Students are nominated for the award by their graduate program director.

The Nancy Topping Bazin Scholarship was established by the Friends of Women's Studies to assist a graduate student in women's studies.

The Theodore F. and Constance C. Constant Fellowships are funded by an endowment which assists two full-time graduate students in the College of Business and Public Administration. Students are nominated for this award by their graduate program director.

***The Delta Sigma Lambda-Dr. Ruth Harrell Scholarship** is supported by an endowment to assist a woman who has received a bachelor's degree and is a full- or part-time graduate student enrolled at Old Dominion University. Selection is also based upon scholastic ability, financial need and good personal character. Preference is given to those students who have lived in the Commonwealth of Virginia for at least one year. Students must also complete a separate application, which is available in the Old Dominion University Women's Center. Delta Sigma Lambda members are eligible for the award. (FAFSA) (757) 683-4109

***The Hampton Roads Maritime Scholarship** is funded by an endowment from the Hampton Roads Maritime Association and is given to a graduate student in the Ocean, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences Department with financial need. (FAFSA)

The Peggy Woofter Hull Scholarship is made possible by an endowment given by Marie D. Woofter in memory of her daughter. It is awarded to a full-time doctoral student in education. Students are nominated for the award by their graduate program director and are selected by the associate vice president for research and graduate studies.

The Meredith Construction Company Scholarship is made possible through an endowment given by the Meredith Construction Company Inc., Meredith Realty, et al. and members of the Meredith family. The award is given to a graduate student demonstrating academic merit in his/her chosen curriculum. Nomination by the graduate program director is required.

The David Scott Sutelan Memorial Scholarship is made possible by an endowment established by David, Charles and May Scott Sutelan. The recipient will be seeking a Master in Fine Arts in the creative writing program.

The Wild Water Rapids Visual Studies Fund was established by the Old Dominion University Art Department and Aqua Sports Inc. Awards will be given to outstanding graduate students in the M.A./M.F.A. in visual studies programs by art faculty nomination and consensus.

***The Jacques S. Zaneveld Endowed Scholarship** was established by Dr. Jacques S. Zaneveld to assist a graduate student in the Department of Ocean, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences of the College of Sciences. The recipient must demonstrate a need for funding in the preparation of his/her dissertation in the field of biological oceanography. (FAFSA)

Fellowships

Fellowships are awards granted for scholastic achievement and promise. Their objective is to enable full-time students to pursue graduate studies and research leading to advanced degrees without requiring them to render any service. Part-time and/or nondegree students are not eligible. Fellows are responsible for payment of their tuition, in- or out-of-state, as applicable.

University fellowships and University fellowships for minority American graduate students are under the direct supervision of the associate vice president for research and graduate studies. At present these fellowship awards carry a stipend of \$6,000. Applicants should indicate their intent to apply for a fellowship when applying for admission. Letters of recommendation, current transcripts, and any additional evidence of scholastic achievement that would assist in an evaluation of the student should be on file in the Admissions Office by February 15.

Doctoral fellowships and doctoral fellowships for minority American graduate students are available to full-time students for pursuit of graduate studies and research leading to the doctorate, with no requirement to render service. These awards currently carry a stipend of \$8,000.

Prospective graduate students should also consider applying for national fellowships, such as those awarded by the National Science Foundation, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, the Ford Foundation (minority fellowship program), and the Danforth Foundation. Applicants should check program deadlines, some of which are as early as December 1. Information on fellowships in specific fields is available from the chair or program director of each department/school.

Tuition Grants

Tuition grants and tuition grants for minority Americans may be offered to full-time regular or provisional graduate students. Tuition stipends of up to \$1,000 may be available. Part-time tuition grants may also be available for minority Virginia residents. Applicants should indicate their desire to apply for tuition grants when applying for admission. Students holding tuition grants who withdraw from courses will be held personally liable for repayment of funds utilized. Additional information is available from the Office of Research and Graduate Studies.

Assistantships

Teaching and research assistantships are available to full-time graduate students who meet the requirements listed under the Graduate Assistantship Guidelines. Stipends range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Higher stipends are available in the Colleges of Engineering and Technology and Sciences.