

Graduate Officer Fund

April 2021

Summary

In recognition of their critical role in support of postgraduate education, the School of Graduate Studies will provide funding to Graduate Officers to support eligible graduate students. This initiative is beneficial to the Graduate Officer by providing additional support for their students/research and to the School of Graduate Studies by providing another form of funding available for students which assists in the School's mandate to increase student enrolment.

Funding Level

Starting with April 1, 2021, the School of Graduate Studies will increase the amount of the Graduate Officer fund to \$7,828 per fiscal year to help support graduate students.

Funding Criteria

- must be awarded to a baseline-eligible student who is supervised or co-supervised by the Graduate Officer,
- may be awarded to more than one student (shared),
- may be paid as a stipend or as a graduate assistantship (GA) (to assist a Graduate Officer with research), this should be indicated by the "earn type" on the payroll form; GAS for GA's or GSS for a stipend,
- may be combined with other forms of SGS funding as long as maximums are maintained,
- must be paid over a minimum of one semester (no lump sums will be approved), and
- cannot be deferred to a future academic year.

Notification

Indicate "**GO Fund**" under "**Other**" on the *Program of Study* form. Also indicate '**Go Fund**' in the comments section of the *Graduate Student Payroll* form when setting the student up for payroll.