

FINANCIAL AID

Full-tuition scholarships, partial-tuition scholarships, fellowships, graduate assistantships, teaching assistantships, and research assistantships are available to qualified students. Assistantships and fellowships may include tuition scholarships as well as a stipend. Students receiving a stipend may be required to work 15-20 hours weekly and carry a normal course load.

Acceptance of an assistantship or fellowship carries with it the obligation to perform duties assigned by the student's department. Some students may be assigned duties outside the department of study. Unsatisfactory performance may result in the withdrawal of the stipend.

Assistantships and fellowships are potentially renewable, but the total number of years a student working toward the master's degree may not exceed two.

The residence life and housing office has a limited number of hall director and compliance advisor positions available to qualified graduate students. Interested students are urged to contact the Office of Residence Life and Housing for more information by visiting the employment section of www.wfu.edu/housing (<http://www.wfu.edu/housing/>).

The Graduate School may award educators teaching full-time in public schools or state-approved, non-public schools a one-half scholarship of the cost of part-time tuition. This policy covers only educators who have a current contract and teach either in grades kindergarten through 12th or in community college institutions.

Student Loans

Students may submit a FAFSA to determine eligibility for the Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan program. A graduate student must be enrolled at least half-time as a degree seeking student to be considered for federal student aid. The Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts & Sciences FAFSA school code is: E00429.

A student must be in good academic standing and must be making satisfactory academic progress toward the degree to be eligible for a student loan. Unclassified (non-degree seeking), certificate program students, and provisionally accepted students are not eligible for federal financial aid.

Graduate School Scholarship Awards

A limited number of merit-based scholarships are available for highly qualified students. Any student interested in awards should contact their program director for additional information.

Policy on External Compensation

A student supported on a stipend from the Graduate School, faculty grant, student fellowship, or other sources may be allowed to engage in additional compensatory work with permission from his or her advisor, provided the work does not delay or interfere with the duties required for timely completion of the degree. A student who receives a tuition scholarship may engage in outside compensatory work without approval from the Graduate School. All students will be monitored for satisfactory academic progress.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

To determine continuing financial aid eligibility, the financial aid committee evaluates the student's satisfactory academic progress at the end of each term. The receipt of federally controlled aid requires half-time enrollment (4.5 or more hours) in a degree seeking program during the fall and spring semesters. In addition to the enrollment requirements, a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on work attempted in the Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is required. Certain programs have higher academic requirements, which are communicated directly to the students by the programs. More detailed information can be found at: <https://grad.financialaid.wfu.edu/policies/>. The Dean may revoke institutionally controlled financial aid for violation of University regulations, including its Honor Code, or for violation of federal, state, or local laws.