



Graduate Financial Aid 2011-12

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Financial Aid is monetary assistance intended to help meet the expenses of going to college. Graduate students must complete the FAFSA application and be fully admitted as a matriculated student in a graduate or doctoral program. Admitted students will be given a Gonzaga email (ZagMail) account and ZagWeb (online student portal) access. Financial aid award notifications and other important communications will be emailed to the ZagMail address.

Graduate and Doctoral Students are eligible for Federal Direct Loans as part of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) process. You must file your free FAFSA every year at www.fafsa.ed.gov to receive financial aid.

Graduate and Doctoral Students are eligible to receive up to \$20,500 in Direct Loans each academic year (Fall, Spring and Summer). The interest rate for these loans is fixed at 6.8%. If additional loan funds are needed, students may apply for a Graduate PLUS Loan, which is based upon the borrower's credit and has a fixed interest rate of 7.9%. For more information about the loan programs, please visit www.gonzaga.edu/financialaid.

Students borrowing either the Direct or Graduate PLUS Loan for the first time must complete both a Master Promissory Note and Entrance Counseling at www.studentloans.gov before loan funds can be disbursed.



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GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduate assistantships and scholarships are available on a limited basis and are granted by the academic departments. To be considered for them, contact your graduate school for more information.

SUMMER AID

If you are interested in attending the optional 2012 summer term, you must have both the 2011-12 and 2012-13 FAFSAs filed. After you enroll in classes, you may need to complete a separate summer application, which is available online in mid-March. Students receiving financial aid during the summer term are limited to their unused portion of Federal Direct Loans. If you have borrowed your annual Direct Loan limit, you have the option of applying for a Graduate PLUS Loan.

PROGRAM COSTS AND BILLING

The Student Accounts Office handles the billing and payment of all student accounts. For payment options, class costs, and additional information please visit www.gonzaga.edu/studentaccounts.

Every semester, you will be emailed a billing statement from the Student Accounts Office. You must "Settle Your Account" before financial aid funds will be applied.

Refund checks will be mailed out within the first week of classes after verification of attendance has occurred.

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