



Funding Your Graduate Education

Financial aid is available to graduate students primarily through student loans, assistantships, tuition remission, and incentive programs. For example, you may qualify for a teaching, graduate, or research assistantship. Internships, traineeships, and special fellowships are also available in some programs.

Please keep in mind that, to be eligible for need-based Drexel financial aid, you must be enrolled as a full-time student. However, you can be considered for some aid as a part-time student.

Drexel-Specific Funding Resources

In this section, you'll find information about general fellowships and grants open to qualified graduate students. For additional information on these programs, please call Admissions at 1-800-2-DREXEL or visit us online at www.drexel.edu/em/grad.

The Drexel Dean's Fellowship: A Merit-Based Award

Awarded by the University's Admissions Office, the Drexel Dean's Fellowship is a non-need-based award for academic achievement. The selection process for this fellowship requires a review of your standardized test scores and cumulative grade point average. The Drexel Dean's Fellowship provides a percentage of tuition each quarter. You are not assigned duties as part of this fellowship, thus enabling you to concentrate on your studies.

The fellowship is renewable on a quarter-by-quarter basis provided you maintain continuous full-time status (nine credits/quarter). You can find additional information regarding the Dean's Fellowship at www.drexel.edu/financialaid/scholarships.

The Drexel Grad Grant: A Special Opportunity Just for Alumni

If you are a Drexel alumnus or alumna, and you are considering graduate study at Drexel, we will support your choice with the Drexel Grad Grant. The program provides you with a \$100 grant on each graduate credit hour you earn during your first year of studies at Drexel.

Drexel-Kaplan Graduate Degree Advantage Program

Any student who enrolls in a Drexel graduate school program after taking a Kaplan preparation course for the GRE or GMAT will receive tuition credit equal to the amount paid to Kaplan. Students will need to present the original Kaplan course receipt to the Admissions Office prior to enrollment.

Graduate Co-op: Earn While You Learn

Graduate Co-op is modeled on Drexel's renowned experiential learning program, Drexel Co-op. With Graduate Co-op, you can gain up to six months of full-time professional experience while earning academic credit. If you are studying part-time and working during the day, you can earn and learn on your current job. To read more, visit www.drexel.edu/scdc.

Employer-Deferred Payment Plan: Learn Now, Pay Later

Worried about the cost of a master's degree? Remember, employers often pay part of the cost of graduate school. And with Drexel's Employer-Deferred Payment Plan, you can wait to pay until after you've completed the course while demonstrating to your employer the skills and abilities you have learned. Questions should be directed to the Office of Student Accounts/Bursar at 215-895-1445 or visit www.drexel.edu/bursar.

Teaching, Research, and Graduate Assistantships

Drexel awards highly qualified students with financial assistance in the form of teaching, research, or graduate assistantships. Students are required to perform specific work assignments within the University in return for the assistance. Both U.S. and non-U.S. citizens are eligible and must be enrolled as full-time graduate students. Most Drexel graduate programs require the GRE for these positions. You must submit your application by January 1 to be considered. Not all programs offer assistantships. Contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 215-895-6700 for more information.

College-Specific Financial Aid

You may qualify for additional funding through your college or school. For more information visit www.drexel.edu/financialaid/scholarships to find out about the full range of available opportunities.

Terms of Drexel-Specific Funding Resources

Terms for graduate incentive programs are as follows:

- Incentives will not be applied to undergraduate or prerequisite courses.
- No combination of incentive programs (excluding assistantships) in any given term may exceed half the cost of tuition for that term.
- Incentive program eligibility may not be carried forward to future terms due to periods of inactivity or ineligibility after the first term of enrollment.
- Dean's Fellowship and Dean's Award eligibility require that you maintain full-time status on a continuous basis and that you consistently meet requirements.
- Dean's Fellowship and Dean's Award recipients are not eligible for the Grad Grant.
- Assistantships supersede all other types of incentive programs and may not be combined with any other type of incentive program.
- Candidates who are eligible for fellowships but receive assistantships may have the fellowships reinstated provided they have maintained the minimum GPA required by their colleges while enrolled at Drexel.
- Drexel University Online discounts and scholarship eligibility vary by college. Online students should visit www.drexel.com or call 1-877-215-0009 to confirm eligibility.
- The Alumni-Trustee Endorsement Grant is no longer available.

Loan Programs

For all federal need-based aid programs please complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.ed.gov (list Drexel school code – 003256).

Stafford Student Loan (Subsidized)

- May borrow up to \$8,500 per year; requires needs analysis to determine expected family contribution

Stafford Student Loan (Unsubsidized)

- For students who fail to meet income and financial need standards
- May borrow up to \$12,000 (can supplement subsidized loans); may borrow up to \$8,500 additional if not qualified for subsidized loan

Important information regarding the Stafford Student Loan:

- No interest or principal due until after student leaves school
- Repayment of principal starts six months after termination of studies unless a deferment requested; loan must be repaid within 10 years

Private Educational Loan Program

For detailed descriptions of several loans available to Drexel students, please visit the Financial Aid website at www.drexel.edu/financialaid.

Additional Funding Sources

GI Bill for Veterans

- For veterans who served on continuous active duty for at least 181 days beginning January 31, 1955 or later
- For dependents of veterans who died or are permanently disabled as a result of service in the armed forces
- Contact your local Department of Veteran Affairs for details

Federal College Work-Study Program

The Federal College Work-Study program at Drexel is designed to promote the part-time employment of students who have demonstrated financial need. Employment under the Federal College Work-Study program is awarded as part of the financial aid package. The amount earned will not be applied to tuition but will be paid to students through a paycheck. Students who are selected for the Federal College Work-Study program will be provided with a copy of the program guidelines. The availability of funds from this program is limited.

Outside Scholarships and Grants

You may be eligible for a specialized scholarship or grant from an outside agency. Some sources to explore include employers, unions, professional organizations, and community and special-interest groups. You can also use FastWeb, a free scholarship search engine providing access to more than 600,000 scholarships as well as information on financial aid, money management, and career planning. Visit the site at www.fastweb.com.

Financial Aid Resources

Office of Admissions
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www.drexel.edu/em

EdFinancial Services
1-877-DREXEL-5
*This phone number will connect you to EdFinancial Services.
This company provides a call center with trained staff employed
by EdFinancial Services. They are required to give all students
independent, expert advice about paying for a college education.*

Office of Student Accounts/Bursar
215-895-1445
<http://ask.drexel.edu>
www.drexel.edu/bursar

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243)
www.fafsa.ed.gov

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For More Information

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