

## FUNDING POLICY

Conference, Research, and Fall and Summer Funds are all drawn from the same pool of University Student Aid Program (USAP) Funds. USAP Funds are equally divided among all eligible PhD students and funds are dispersed as Fall and Summer awards.

During the year preceding graduation, PhD candidates will be eligible for enhanced funding in the amount of \$1,500 to help cover research, conference, and job hunting costs. This is a one-time payout. If a student does not graduate when expected, they will not be penalized, but they will be ineligible for any additional enhanced funding.

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**Eligibility:** To be eligible for a Fall Funding Award, graduate students are required to complete the IHGG Statement of Academic Standing form by October 1st. Additionally, students are required to complete the IHGG Annual Progress Report by February 28th to receive a Summer Funding Award. Eligibility is based on the following criteria:

1. Eligible PhD students are fully funded.
2. Eligible MA students receive half of the amount that PhD students receive.
3. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress toward the degree objective as defined by [Graduate Division](#).
4. Students must complete their Graduate Student Profiles on the IH Website or provide all required information to IH by October 1st. *(Students may request to omit their profiles from the IH website by contacting the IHGG Program Chair.)*
5. All eligible IH students will receive \$500 in Conference/Research funding during a Fall dispersal.
6. Students funded by another UCM program/unit might not be eligible for Summer funds. They will receive \$500 in Conference/Research funding during Fall dispersals. It is the students responsibility to determine what funding sources impact their eligibility.
7. Students receiving funding that specifically states they are ineligible for USAP Summer funds are only eligible to receive \$500 in Conference/Research Funding during Fall dispersal.
8. Non-graduating students who receive an award must be enrolled in the IH program the following semester. Students who do not return to the program the following semester must repay their funding award.
9. Students who go on leave the semester after receiving an award will be required to repay their award.
10. Students need to notify IH of their status so IH can work with them to ensure their funding eligibility.
11. In some important ways, eligibility, is self-reporting. Dishonesty in reporting one's eligibility status will result in forfeiture of funds. Funds dispersed to ineligible students must be repaid for students to continue studying at UCM.