



# Understanding Your Graduate Tuition Remission

Tuition remission refers to ways that the university pays tuition costs for students. Tuition remission includes **tuition waivers** and **tuition payments**. For students receiving tuition remission, the net effect is the same—the university pays a part of or all of your tuition.

## What Tuition Remission Covers

- Tuition Remission covers tuition fees only.
- It DOES NOT pay local university fees (student activity fee, athletic fee, transportation fee, etc.).
- Some units also cover students' local fees by additional payment.

## Tuition Remission Requirements

To qualify for tuition remission, you must:

- Have received a qualifying university fellowship or graduate assistantship
- Be in a degree-seeking master's, specialist, or doctoral program
- Be enrolled full-time

## Tuition Remission Levels

The tuition remission level is commensurate with the level of your assistantship appointment:

- 10 hours per week (half-time) appointment receives remission of one-half of the resident (in-state) tuition.
- 20 hours per week (full-time) appointment receives full resident (in-state) tuition remission.

## Tuition Waiver vs. Tuition Payment

Most GTAs and university fellows receive tuition remission in the form of tuition waivers, while GRAs, GAs, and some GTAs receive tuition remission in the form of tuition payments from their employing units.

## Tuition waiver:

- Requires full-time enrollment
- Appears as a credit on your term bill as early as two weeks before the first day of classes (based on approved assistantship and enrollment)
- Covers the Resident (in-state) Tuition fee

## Tuition payment:

- Provided to GRAs, GAs, and some GTAs by the hiring department
- Requires full-time enrollment
- Appears as a credit on your term bill after Drop/Add closes (based on approved assistantship and enrollment).
- Covers the Resident (in-state) Tuition fee

## Nonresident University Fellows and Graduate Assistants

Nonresident university fellows and graduate assistants with appointments totaling 20 hours per week will not be charged the Non-Resident Fee or the Non-Resident Financial Aid Fee on their fee invoices. Instead, a "differential out-of-state fee" of \$0.00 is assessed.

Please note: the differential out-of-state fee of \$0.00 that replaces the Non-Resident Fee (and Non-Resident Financial Aid Fee) applies only for the terms in which you have a qualifying fellowship or assistantship.

### More Information

For a complete list of tuition and fees, please see the current Tuition and Fees:  
<http://tuitionfees.smca.ucf.edu/>

For more information about graduate full-time enrollment, please see Full-time Enrollment Requirements in the Graduate Catalog:  
[www.graduatecatalog.ucf.edu](http://www.graduatecatalog.ucf.edu) > Policies > General Graduate Policies > Full-time Enrollment Requirements

For assistance with reviewing your student fee invoice, contact UCF Student Accounts, Student Services (407-823-2433)

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