



Faculty of Education

UMGF - General Regulations - for Graduate Students in the Faculty of Education -

The University of Manitoba Graduate Fellowship (UMGF) is offered by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, however, Faculty of Education students apply for a UMGF through the Faculty of Education. Based on the application and supportive documentation, the Faculty of Education recommends applicants for the UMGF to the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

The Board of Governors of the University of Manitoba has the right to modify the terms of this award if, because of changed conditions, it becomes necessary to do so.

I. Value

M.Ed. up to \$14,000/year

Ph.D. up to \$18,000/year

(For the duration of a UMGF, please see below under Duration of Award).

II. Eligibility

Citizenship

- All Faculty of Education students regardless of citizenship are eligible to apply.

To hold an award, you must:

- Have been admitted **without provision or have cleared your provisional admission** as a graduate student in the Faculty of Education program at the University of Manitoba.
- Be registered full-time in a graduate program of study in the faculty/unit that recommends you for a UMGF. However, you can be registered part-time in the graduate program at the time of application, as long as you switch to full-time at the time of receiving the award. (Please note that if you switch from part-time status to full-time status, current regulations do **not** allow you to switch back to part-time status at a later time.)
- Be a member in good standing and adhere to the Rules/Principles within the university community as outlined in the "Student Discipline By-Law".
- Acknowledge, wherever possible, the UMGF assistance for research.
- Not hold or accept an award that exceeds the value of the UMGF/MGS.

- Have a **minimum GPA of 3.50** within *each* of the last two full years of recognized university study.
- Maintain a minimum *degree* GPA of 3.50 and not receive any grade below C+ (including AX courses) in the current year.
- Not be enrolled as a full-time student in two programs simultaneously.
- Apply for and accept (if offered) National Scholarships for which you are eligible, at every possible competition. Some of these National Awards are NSERC (Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council), SSHRC (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council), and CIHR (Canadian Institutes for Health Research).

III. Duration of Award

- The Faculty of Education will determine the duration (in annual increments) of the student's UMGF at time of recommendation.
- The Faculty of Education will determine the start of the award (May, September or January) at time of recommendation.
- The value and duration of your award are detailed in your Notice of Award.
- The value and duration of your award will be adjusted to take into account a change in your registration status, e.g., early completion of your degree, termination of your graduate studies program, or other reasons.
- *Master's students* – award holders should note that their scholarship will not extend beyond the first **28 months** of their Master's program.
- **Total maximum UMGF/MGS support for any individual graduate student is five years (60 months).**
- To determine the length of time spent in a graduate program, two years of part-time study will be deemed equivalent to one year full-time study at both the Master's and Ph.D. level.
- Below is a table outlining duration of the award based on the number of months completed in a graduate program.

Master's students

Number of months completed as a Master's student	Number of months eligible to receive the UMGF
0-4 months	Up to 24 months of funding
5-16 months	Up to 12 months of funding
Completed more than 16 months	Not eligible

Ph.D. students

Number of months completed as a Ph.D. student	Number of months eligible to receive the UMGF
0-4 months	Up to 48 months of funding
5-16 months	Up to 36 months of funding
17-28 months	Up to 24 months of funding
29-40 months	Up to 12 months of funding
Completed more than 40 months	Not eligible

IV. Start Date of Award

- Normally, the start date for the fellowship/scholarship is the anniversary of the start date of your program.
- Students who are already in a graduate program and started in May or September in previous years may request an early start date (May).
- An early start date (May) may be approved upon receipt of a letter from the award recipient's advisor supporting the student's request for an early (May) payment and confirming that the student is working on their program full time over the summer.
- Please note that a request for an early start date will not extend the duration of the award.
- **Fellowships/scholarships may be deferred for one term only and no later than January of that academic year.** Recipients must decline the UMGF and request that their faculty/unit consider them in the next academic year if they are unable to accept the fellowship/scholarship upon a January deferral (i.e., if the award cannot be taken up in January, after having been deferred from September, then it must be declined).
- **Students admitted under the "provisional status" may not receive** the award during the provisional period and may not accept the award if the provisional status is not cleared within 4 months (one term period).

V. Renewals

- For multi-year awards, the continuation of the award will be based on submission of a satisfactory Progress Report Form.
- Progress Report forms must be completed and submitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies Programs assistant by the annual deadline of June 1st. Failure to submit this form on time will result in the discontinuation of the UMGF.
- Grades of C+ and higher (including AX course) in the current year, and a degree grade point average of 3.50 or better are required.
- **UMGF holders are required to apply to an external agency (such as NSERC, SSHRC or CIHR) at every possible opportunity in order to continue payments.**

UMGF Application Guidelines for Graduate Students in the Faculty of Education

1. As the applicant, complete the UMGF Application.

<https://forms.office.com/r/qu6rspnfjX>

*Please use your UM email account and password to apply.

2. Contact your advisor or proposed advisor for your program in Education to ask if they would be willing to support your application by completing and submitting the UMGF Advisor Form. <https://forms.office.com/r/4txeugLNPP>

It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure your Advisor has submitted their recommendation by the application deadline.

3. **The deadline is Wednesday, May 1, 2024, 4 p.m. CST.**

4. For inquiries about the application process, please contact:

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