

UAR NUMBER: 125.02

TITLE: Graduate Assistantship Housing Benefit

ORIGINATOR: Provost

INITIAL ADOPTION: 3/24/99

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PURPOSE: To outline graduate assistantship housing benefit.

PROCEDURAL REFERENCES:

SCOPE (Who is covered by this UAR?): Graduate Assistants

DESCRIPTION:

Purpose: To qualify for a graduate assistantships, the student must be unconditionally admitted to a graduate degree program. The student must maintain a 3.0 grade point average and be enrolled full-time for a minimum of 9 graduate hours, but no more than 12 hours during each semester in the fall and spring. To qualify for an assistantship summer I the student must be enrolled for a minimum of 3 graduate hours. Since assistantships are usually not available during summer II, the free double-occupancy residence hall room is available if the student is enrolled for at least 3 graduate credit hours.

Twenty hours a week must be devoted to the duties of a full assistantship. The out-of-state graduate student who obtains a graduate assistantship is eligible for in-state tuition rates.

Single Graduate Assistant:

The single graduate assistant is eligible for a free double-occupancy residence hall room. The free residence hall room will be based on the current double-occupancy room rate in Fields Hall. If the student desires a double-occupancy residence hall room other than Fields Hall, the student will be required to pay the difference between the desired room and the current rate for double-occupancy in Fields Hall. If the student obtains a residence hall room that has a rate lower than the double- occupancy rate in Fields Hall, the student is not eligible for a refund of the difference.

If the student desires a private room he/she will be required to pay the difference between a double-occupancy room in Fields Hall and the room rate of the residence hall in which he/she is seeking a private room. If the student withdraws from MSU he/she will not be eligible for a refund from any residence hall fee adjustment. Off-campus housing is not included and is not reimbursable.

Family Housing for the Graduate Assistant:

The married graduate assistant or single parent graduate assistant who desires family housing must pay the difference between a double-occupancy residence hall room based on Fields Hall and the rate of the residence in family housing on a space available basis. Off-campus housing is not included and is not reimbursable. If the student withdraws from MSU, he/she will not be eligible for a refund from any family housing fee adjustment.

The above housing information is effective fall, spring, summer I and II. Out-of-state graduate assistants are eligible for in-state tuition during fall, spring, summer I, and summer II.