Graduate Program in Clinical Investigation Student Funding

Graduate Program in Clinical Investigation (GPCI) students tend to be full-time health professionals who are earning their MS or PhD degree part-time. **No funding for graduate study is provided to students by the GPCI.** Students without faculty appointments usually earn salary and benefits including tuition through graduate assistantships (teaching assistant, research assistant, and other graduate student appointments) through the major advisor’s home department.

ICTR has an NIH-funded TL1 training grant with a few positions open each year on a highly competitive basis. Eligible students are US citizens or permanent residents earning a PhD in Clinical Investigation full-time or earning a PhD Minor in Clinical Investigation while pursuing a PhD in other UW-Madison programs.

**The following information is from the Graduate School:**

**Finding Funding Without Guaranteed Appointment.** For students who do not have an appointment and are looking for funding to support graduate studies, the Graduate School provides a list of steps to follow, at https://grad.wisc.edu/funding/

**Stipend Levels and Paychecks.** Monthly stipend rates for graduate assistantships are set by the University.

**Tuition Remission and Payment of Segregated Fees.** Refer to: https://grad.wisc.edu/funding/

**Health Insurance Benefits.** TAs, PAs, RA, and Lecturers (Student Assistants) with appointments of 33.3% or higher (approximately 13 hrs/week) for at least the length of a semester are eligible to enroll in a health insurance program. Information about health insurance options can be found at http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/benefits/new-emp/grad.aspx. Current monthly premiums can be found at http://uwservice.wisc.edu/premiums/index.php#sgh.

**Maximum Appointment Levels.** The Graduate School sets the maximum levels of graduate assistantship appointments. International students should be especially aware of maximum levels of employment. For more information on these policies, please visit https://kb.wisc.edu/gsadminkb/page.php?id=33322.

**Enrollment Requirements for Graduate Assistants.** Students with graduate assistantships must be enrolled appropriately. Detailed information about enrollment requirements can be found in the Graduate School’s academic policies at https://grad.wisc.edu/academic-policies/#enrollmentrequirements

**Fellowships.** There are many different kinds of fellowships on campus. Some are awarded by a program, some are awarded by the school/college, and still others are awarded by the Graduate School. In addition, a number of students have applied for and won fellowships from federal agencies, professional organizations, and private foundations. The terms and conditions of fellowships across campus vary widely. If you have a fellowship, make sure you understand the obligations and benefits of that fellowship, including stipend, health insurance eligibility, eligibility for tuition remission, pay schedule, etc.
Graduate School Fellowships. The Graduate School administers a number of different fellowships on campus, including: the University Fellowships, Chancellor’s Fellowships, Mellon-Wisconsin Fellowships, the Dickie Fellowships, and a variety of external fellowships. If you have any questions about fellowships, please contact the Office of Fellowships and Funding Resources: https://grad.wisc.edu/funding/fellowships/

Also refer to the Grants Information Collections (GIC) on the 2nd Floor of Memorial Library: http://grants.library.wisc.edu/