Graduate Tuition Policy

In accordance with new guidelines from the Research Office, effective February 1, 2016, graduate tuition will be charged to grants and contracts at a rate of 20% of the total graduate tuition. Exceptions to this Policy may be requested from the cognizant associate dean when the total funding available for the project is less than $75,000 per year, or in cases where the funding organization has a written policy precluding the charging of graduate tuition to awards. The request for a waiver, with an explanation and/or documentation to support it, must be included on the Proposal Approval Summary webform.

For grants and contracts that include F&A at the full predetermined rate (as specified for each type of sponsored activity, type of sponsor, and site of activity at www.udel.edu/research/preparing/proposalguide.html), the College of Arts & Sciences will return 100% of the graduate tuition expense to the home Department of the PI or supervising faculty member, as appropriate. At the discretion of the Department Chair, these funds must be allocated to support research and graduate education.

For grants and contracts that include less than the full predetermined F&A rate, tuition will be returned to the department only to the extent that the sum of tuition and F&A exceeds the amount of F&A that would be generated at the full predetermined rate.

In cases where there is any ambiguity about the amount of the returned expense, or which department should receive the returned expense, it is the responsibility of affected departments to contact their associate dean before the proposal is submitted, in order to develop a clear plan in case the proposal is funded.