



Policy Title: **Minimum Funding Packages for Graduate Students**

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McMaster ensures that full-time graduate students in PhD programs and research-based Master's programs receive scholarships (awarded annually).

Minimum funding for Doctoral students

The Faculty of Engineering has a minimum funding package for full-time domestic and international Doctoral students.* This minimum amount is \$21,000 plus tuition; industrial PhD students do not receive funding support. Many programs have support levels in excess of this amount. Please contact the [graduate recruitment office](#) to find out more.

A PhD student is usually funded for up to four years maximum.

Minimum funding for Master's students

As of September 2024, the Faculty of Engineering is introducing a minimum funding package for all incoming full-time domestic and international research-based Master's students.* This new minimum amount is \$19,500 plus tuition. Many programs have support levels in excess of this amount. Please contact the [graduate recruitment office](#) to find out more.

A Master's student is usually funded for their first three to six terms depending on the department and whether admitted under the Accelerated Option.

**** Students with external scholarships will receive top-up support from the Faculty if below the minimum funding level.***