University of Cincinnati

College of Engineering and Applied Science

University Graduate Scholarship (UGS) Guidelines

- UGS (appears on account as Grad Incentive Scholarship) recipients must be registered for at least **15 graduate semester hours** in the College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS). You must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA.

- Students can register for up to a **maximum of 18 semester hours** as part of their UGS. Costs for more than 18 semester hours will be the responsibility of the student.

- **In Fall semester** if you drop/withdraw from classes, and fall below 15 semester hours after September 6, 2016, the final day of the 100% refund period, the UGS will be removed and you will be required to pay all tuition and fees due. (For Spring Dates please go to [http://www.uc.edu/registrar/calendars.html](http://www.uc.edu/registrar/calendars.html)); Additional information is at [http://www.uc.edu/registrar/policies_and_procedures/add_drop_withdrawal.html](http://www.uc.edu/registrar/policies_and_procedures/add_drop_withdrawal.html). Below are examples.

  - *If you drop below 15 semester hours after September 6, 2016, you will be responsible and required to pay 100% of the total tuition plus fees.*

  - *See table below for drop dates. For Spring dates please go to [http://www.uc.edu/registrar/calendars.html](http://www.uc.edu/registrar/calendars.html)*

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- International students on reduced course load **must** be registered for 1 semester hour in their program **EVERY** Fall/Spring semester until graduation or are on OPT. Failure to comply may result in applying for reinstatement and a delay in graduation. Students on CPT must be registered or their CPT will be cancelled. UGS will not be provided for students on reduced course load.

- All Students receiving GA or TA funding from a University Graduate Assistantship (UGA) or RA assistantships from grant resources are **required** to register full time. Failure to register full time can result in repaying all stipend and UGS funds received. RA positions funded from external grants must also be registered full time unless given an exception by the Graduate Studies Office (GSO) in CEAS. PhD students funded with an assistantship cannot change to the MS program.

- PhD students who have received more than 4 semesters of UGS funding cannot change to the MS program.

- Students that exceed the 173 semester graduate credit limit, are ineligible for UGS and GA support.

- Students **must** be registered each academic semester they are on campus. The only time a student does not have to be registered is if they will not be on campus at all during the semester. Verification must be submitted to the GSO.

- **If you are going to drop and add classes, be sure to add the class BEFORE you drop a class. The best way of adding and dropping is to do it on an add/drop slip and not online. Do not go above 18 or below 12 semester hours.** Refer to the above Withdrawal or Drop Dates for tuition you will be responsible for if you drop or withdraw from classes. If a clerical error is made in applying your UGS, our office will notify you of the error and you will be responsible for charges due (if any).

- **If you register for any course outside of the CEAS or your program, you must** have prior written permission (unless it is a written requirement for your degree.)

**Your signature below indicates that you completely understand all the above rules. You also understand that failure to comply with any of the rules and/or regulations listed above may result in the cancellation of your UGS and that you will be responsible to re-pay tuition & fees as the result of non-compliance. You understand that this policy applies to any and all terms while you are a graduate student at UC. If there are changes in UGS policy, you will be notified through your UC email and understand that you must comply with any new changes. UGS is also referred to as Grad Incentive Scholarship. The Scholarships are one in the same.**

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