

## Grad Student Funding Guidelines

These guidelines explain how the Department of Anthropology allocates money to graduate students. Please bear in mind that some money comes with “strings” that limit our flexibility. For example, we received extra funding in 2009 that was earmarked solely for incoming students. Most departmental support comes in the form of TA-ships plus tuition waiver.

Exceptional incoming students may be offered support for the first year.

We do our best to support students in their second through fifth year in the program. Allocation of departmental funds during this period is based primarily on merit (performance and progress toward degree) but number of years in the program and financial need will also be considered. Other things equal, priority will be given to junior students. Masters students will normally assist faculty in classes, while doctoral students may teach sections of introductory courses.

Students in their sixth year and beyond will be expected to find their own funding, either with a faculty advisor or on their own. The department may hire such students to teach if it serves departmental needs, but such students will be paid at the going rate for adjunct faculty, which is slightly less than the teaching assistant stipend.

Faculty sometimes have funding from grants and other sources, and these may be allocated without regard to the priorities stated above.