Wondering how to afford graduate school?

Do your research! There are a number of resources available to help you afford graduate school.

The CMU Student Financial Aid Office has compiled a Graduate Financial Aid Basics Guide to get you started: www.cmu.edu/finaid/basics/graduate/. There is information available about funding options and instructions for how to apply.

Fellowships and Scholarships

There are a number of outside fellowships and scholarships available. The CMU Fellowship and Scholarships Office’s comprehensive website (cmu.edu/fso) lists a number of resources to aid in your search.

Important Things to Remember

- Complete your FASFA!
- Log into SIO and submit your financial information to CMU as soon as you receive your Andrew ID.
- Tuition for the Fall semester is due August 15th
- Borrow responsibly – You can’t use student loans to pay off credit card debt or to finance a car.
- Sign-up for an electronic refund – you’ll get your disbursement faster.
- Bring funds with you when you arrive – disbursements aren’t available until the first week of classes at the earliest.

Housing in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh is considered a very affordable city and has a very robust and varied housing stock. The areas surrounding CMU (Oakland, Shadyside, and Squirrel Hill) are walkable neighborhoods that offer a of number amenities such as restaurants, grocery stores and shops. Look for off-campus housing near CMU Shuttle stops, Port Authority bus stops, or within walking distance of campus.

CMU has a limited amount of on-campus housing for graduate students. You’ll need your Andrew ID and password to complete the housing application. Housing assignments are based on their wait list.


Questions about your admission offer or enrolling in the program?

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