The **Graduate Student Aid Fund** has been established to assist graduate students experiencing financial hardships with paying health related University fees for the current academic year.

**Amount:** no more than the amount of Campus Health Service Fee and Cardinal Care Insurance per quarter of enrollment or up to $2,500 toward the cost of health insurance for a spouse through Vaden’s dependent insurance plan.

**Student eligibility:** Students enrolled in any graduate degree program in the Graduate School of Education; School of Engineering; School of Humanities & Sciences; School of Earth, Energy & Environmental Sciences; and School of Medicine (non-MD students) are eligible to apply. Students in the Graduate School of Business, Law School, or School of Medicine (MD program) should consult their respective Financial Aid Offices. Eligibility is limited to students making satisfactory academic progress. The fund is limited; students will be assisted on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Examples of typical situations in which students will be eligible for grant assistance when they can demonstrate financial hardship:**

- Students with a spouse enrolled in Vaden’s dependent insurance plan (students with children should apply for the [Graduate Family Grant](#))
- Students with non-discretionary expenses above and beyond the customary cost of attendance
- Students with significant debt burdens
- Students with limited resources who are not eligible for loans
- Students managing Cardinal Care expenses during periods of non-enrollment.

**Application Requirements**

Applicants are asked to complete loan application requirements. Whether or not you are eligible for grant funds, loan funds may be available to assist with educational expenses.

1. Use the attached form to explain your financial circumstances and indicate your need for aid. Also submit one of the following:
   2b. International students (who are not eligible for federal financial aid) submit the student’s (and spouse’s if applicable) most recent federal income tax return or other documentation of income directly to the Financial Aid Office.

The Financial Aid Office will review the applicant’s financial aid history and academic record and make a determination of eligibility.

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This is not a Fee Waiver.

Enrolled students who are not living in the Bay Area may apply for a waiver of the Campus Health Services Fee. See [https://vaden.stanford.edu/insurance/frequently-asked-questions-about-insurance](https://vaden.stanford.edu/insurance/frequently-asked-questions-about-insurance).

Please complete and sign this form, then scan and upload to the Financial Aid Office at [http://financialaid.stanford.edu/upload](http://financialaid.stanford.edu/upload).
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Student Name ___________________________________________ Email ____________________________

SUID __________________________________________________ Telephone ________________________

Department ___________________________________________ School __________________________________

Degree (PhD, MA, MS, etc.) _______________________________ Year of Study (1st, 2nd, etc.)__________

Academic year and quarters for which assistance is requested:

Year: 20___/20___ Quarter: Autumn ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐

Explanation of financial circumstances and need for aid:

Required Documents:

FAFSA Application (US Citizens and Permanent Residents) completion date: ______________________

Or

Most recent federal income tax return or other documentation of income (International Students) upload
date: _________________________

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Student Signature Date

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