

FAMU Feeder Doctoral Program
University of Florida Funding Structure
Effective Fall 2017

The Florida A&M University (FAMU) Feeder Program supports selected FAMU students entering PhD programs at the University of Florida (UF). UF is one of more than 40 universities participating in the program. The purpose of FAMU Feeder is to increase the number of FAMU students in graduate programs. UF offers up to five fellowships each year to selected FAMU Feeder students who have been admitted to PhD or MFA programs.

At UF, the program is a collaboration between the Graduate School and participating departments. Under the collaboration, departments will agree to provide FAMU Feeder students with at least a 0.33 FTE research or teaching assistantship (RA/TA) for the first three years. To provide an enhanced overall stipend, the departmental RA/TA stipend will be augmented by a \$12,000 supplement over that period from the Graduate School. The Graduate School will cover tuition, fees, health insurance for the first three years as well. For the fourth and fifth years, departments must agree to provide a RA/TA at the 0.5 FTE rate as well as cover tuition and health insurance.

MFA students will receive a total of 3 years of support, with the Graduate School providing a supplemental stipend of \$12,000, tuition, fees and health insurance for year 1-2. The department will provide an Assistantship at the 0.5 FTE level, tuition, fees and health insurance in year 3. See Table 1 and 2 for funding structure.

The Graduate School registration policies require graduate students on pre-doctoral fellowships to register for 12 credits in Fall and Spring semesters, and 8 credits in the Summer semester. However, when a graduate student is on a departmental RA/TA appointment in conjunction with a pre-doctoral fellowship, the registration requirement is reduced to 9 credits for Fall and Spring and 6 credits in the Summer. Therefore, the academic unit is required to submit a [petition](#) for FAMU Feeder fellows requesting a reduction of course registration each term to the Graduate School. The following link provides more information with regards to registration requirements for graduate students:
<http://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/content.php?catoid=10&navoid=2020#registration>

Table 1. Basic FAMU Feeder Program Structure for PhD Students

	Years 1-3	Years 4-5
Department	Assistantship stipend at the 0.33 FTE level	Assistantship stipend at the 0.50 FTE level, tuition (9 credits Fall/Spring; 6 credits Summer), fees and health insurance
Graduate School	\$12,000 Stipend supplement, tuition (9 credits Fall/Spring; 6 credits Summer), fees and health insurance	

Table 2. Basic FAMU Feeder Program Structure for MFA Students

	Years 1-2	Years 3
Department	Assistantship stipend at the 0.33 FTE level	Assistantship stipend at the 0.50 FTE level, tuition (9 credits Fall/Spring; 6 credits Summer), fees and health insurance
Graduate School	\$12,000 Stipend supplement, tuition (9 credits Fall/Spring; 6 credits Summer), fees and health insurance	