Examples of Student Support
Graduate School
Presented to FS Budget and Planning Committee
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Central Support for Tuition and Fees

- Support for tuition and fees comes in various ways
  - There are 1,659 centrally-funded fee waivers distributed across the university. Both in-state and out-of-state tuition is covered for these positions.
  - The university provides the out-of-state tuition for all externally funded GRAs (grants pay in-state maintenance).
  - In AY 2017-18, the university provided over $55M in fee waivers.
- It is important to remember that there really is never a ‘waiver’ of tuition. If a student is enrolled in hours, some account is going to be charged for the cost of that enrollment.

Tuition Support for Graduate and Professional Student AY 2017-18

- $55,312,930
- $10,430,820

Fellowship Support through the Graduate School

- Approximately $4.4 M in fellowships are provided annually
  - For FY 19
    - $3M for returning students
    - $1M for new students: $800K for colleges to distribute; $200K for TFGE
    - $445K in endowed and Access and Diversity awards
**Additional Support for Students**

- $220,000 in GSS travel awards
- $50,000 in professional development travel awards
- ~$500,000 in tuition support for those on fellowships
- ~$127K in Student/Faculty Research Awards

**FY 19 Stipend Increase**

- In fall 2018, $1M became available to increase stipends for students on centrally-funded fee positions
- This was the first increase since 2002
- After consultation with the Provost and Deans, a plan was developed to make adjustments a two-pronged approach:
  - ½ of the money was used for an across the board increase – thus all students benefitted
  - ½ of the money was used to elevate the stipend of the lowest paid students – this resulted in a 20% increase for the lowest paid students
    - Example 9-month GTA minimum rose from $10,000 to $12,000 per year

**FY 20 Stipend Increase**

- This is tentative – but getting this money is a top priority.
- Again a two-pronged approach will be used:
  - ½ of the money for an across the board increase
  - ½ of the money used to support departments who need to raise stipends to be more competitive with peer institutions
- Applications from departments due April 15
- Announcement about funding expected in early summer