Financial Impact Hardship Award

Application Form Overview

Oregon State University created a dedicated hardship fund to assist graduate students, including those who hold a Graduate Employee position. OSU’s Graduate School coordinates these funds to assist graduate students experiencing unexpected financial hardship that impedes, impacts, or interferes with academic progress. This funding is being provided to help ensure that graduate students with demonstrated financial need can continue their education at OSU.

In your application, please describe the financial crisis you are experiencing and the potential impact on your ability to continue your studies. Situations that could affect your academic progress may include but are not limited to housing insecurity, employment accessibility, health emergencies, unexpected family situations, access to academic materials/resources, etc. If you have questions about your eligibility and would like to discuss with someone, please reach out to graduate.scholarships@oregonstate.edu.

In the online application form, be prepared to provide the following information:

1. Is the applicant a graduate student in a graduate degree-seeking program at Oregon State University?
2. Has the applicant successfully completed either of the following:
   a. at least 1/3 (one-third) of the total required credits towards a graduate degree (defined as total earned hours + credit hours in progress during the term in which the application is submitted)
   b. at least 24 completed OSU credits towards a graduate degree?
3. Is the applicant enrolled in at least three graduate credits at OSU during (1) the term in which the application is submitted and (2) registered or intend to register in the term immediately following the term in which the application is submitted?
4. Is the applicant currently experiencing economic hardship that significantly affects their academic progress in their current degree program at Oregon State University?
5. Is the applicant able to provide appropriate rationale as to how this financial hardship will interrupt immediate academic progress?
6. Applicant
   a. First name
   b. Last name
   c. Student ID
   d. degree type
   e. College
   f. Program
   g. OSU email
7. Degree program contact
   a. First name
   b. Last name
   c. OSU email
8. Award amount requested (in dollars)
9. Financial impact statement
10. Optional supporting documentation

*The information on this handout is subject to change at any time. Please review the award page and nomination form for the most current award information/requirements. All nominations must be submitted electronically through Qualtrics.*