

RESEARCH ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP (RAS)

Information and Usage

- Research Assistant Scholarship (RAS) – scholarship for students supported as **research assistants (account code 60076)**
- **Only allowable for PhD students.**
- Cannot be used when students are on Fellowship (78050) or GA (60070) funding. Only to be used for students fully funded as research assistants on account code 60076.
- The PI/adviser responsible for paying the “PI share” of tuition on a sponsored or non-sponsored chartstring. TGS does not provide additional tuition scholarships beyond RAS.
- Stipend and tuition must be paid proportionately from the sponsored project(s) or non-sponsored project(s) when students are paid from multiple chartstrings. For example, two projects are supporting a student equally; 50% of the stipend and 50% of the tuition must be paid from each project. Tuition funding must be entered for a full quarter, and cannot be split into a partial quarter.
- If the research grant does not provide any tuition support, the adviser must cover the PI portion of tuition on a non-sponsored chart string. TGS does not provide additional support on top of RAS.
- Policy requires all students receiving funding, including RAS, to be enrolled full-time; full-time enrollment is 3-4 graduate units or TGS 500. Students registered for TGS 512 are not eligible for funding, including RAS.
- Students are eligible for RAS beyond their 5th year when fully funded as research assistants.
- If a student is paid one month as a research assistant (RA), and the other two months as a fellow or graduate assistant, RAS is not used. Tuition follows the stipend type used for the majority of the quarter. Either fellowship or graduate assistantship funding should be entered for the entire quarter, depending on the stipend type for the other two months.

Questions? Please email the [Graduate Student Funding Office](#).