

Details and Conditions of Funding Offer

Name:

Program:

Date:

Please refer to [Veterinary Medical Sciences Graduate Program](#) for the program's [funding policy](#).

VMS Program-Set Minimum Funding

- VMS Program - Set Minimum Funding for Doctoral students enrolled full time is \$34,000 (2025-2026), and will follow the VMS funding policy for future years.
- VMS Program - Set Minimum Funding for Master's students enrolled full time is \$32,000 (2025-2026) and will follow the VMS funding policy for future years.

Student's Minimum Guaranteed Funding Amount

Students Minimum Guaranteed funding means annual amount of funding from all sources guaranteed to a student at time of admission. This amount may be equal to or greater than the Program-Set Minimum Funding Level.

- Student's Minimum Guaranteed Funding normally consists of:
 - a) Stipend/scholarship payment from supervisor's research grant
 - b) Teaching assistantship (at the discretion of the supervisor)
 - c) Awards (<https://grad.ucalgary.ca/awards/regulations-policies-and-guides/regulation>)
- Please keep in mind that whether you receive employment or scholarship, your first payment will not be until the end of the first month in our program.
- If you have not secured extramural award funding during your studies, you will receive the guaranteed amount from your supervisor as outlined above.

Supervisor's Name

External Funding

- If you win competitive funding either from the internal or external agencies, it benefits both you and your supervisor: while the supervisor's contribution may decrease, overall you will receive a higher stipend.
- Prospective graduate students supervised by Faculty of Veterinary Medicine faculty are eligible and expected to apply for eligible [scholarships from UCVM](#), the [Faculty of Graduate Studies](#), and extramural agencies (e.g., CIHR, NSERC, AI-HS, etc.)
- If you win external funding or funding from UCVM or through a University competition, your stipend will be adjusted according to the [VMS Student Funding Policy](#).

Tuition Fees

- For exact costs please refer to: [Grad Tuition and General Fees](#). Tuition fees are subject to change without notice. Changes to fees will be reflected in this Calendar.

- The Graduate Student Fee Payment Plan is available for students receiving funding, and allows students to pay their fees in installments over a specified period of time:
<https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/tuition-and-fees/graduate-student-payment-plan>

Renewal of Funding

- Funding for PhD students is guaranteed for four years. Funding for MSc students is guaranteed for two years. It is contingent on adequate progress through the MSc and PhD program, as indicated by a rating of 'satisfactory' or better on the Annual Progress Report.
- Student must be registered full time and active in program
- Students, regardless of their funding sources, must fulfil their supervisor's reasonable expectations regarding attendance and activity in the research environment.

Supervisor's reasonable expectations (short and concise max 273 characters)

- The student must be in good standing (maintains a minimum GPA of 3.0; tuition and fee payments must be up to date; and all program requirements completed on time, including appointment of supervisory committee submission of research proposal, annual committee meeting, FGS-required APR, and completion of candidacy procedures as per VMS policies).