

## Financial Planning Table for Prospective Duke Ph.D. Students

The table below shows who's paying for what during your Ph.D. studies at Duke. Use this information to help you plan your budget during graduate school. You should check with your Ph.D. program's director of graduate studies about stipend support and coverage of tuition and fees for year 6 and beyond, as that varies across programs.

**Note:** This table lists 8 years as that is the maximum time period for finishing your Ph.D. [Check your program's time to degree](#) for a more accurate idea of how long it might take to complete your degree.

| Year of study | Stipend   | Tuition  | Mandatory fees   | Health insurance premiums                              |
|---------------|---|--|--|--|
| 1st           | TGS*^   | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS  |
| 2nd           | TGS*^   | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS  |
| 3rd           | TGS*  | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS  |
| 4th           | TGS*  | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS  |
| 5th           | TGS*  | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS/<br>external fellowship                            | TGS  |
| 6th           | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>other income | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | TGS  |
| 7th           | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>other income | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student |
| 8th           | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>other income | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student | External fellowship/<br>department funding/<br>student |

Green boxes = part of guaranteed funding package for all Duke Ph.D. students

TGS = The Graduate School, in partnership with other schools at Duke

\* - Either 9- or 12-month stipend, depending on program (check with your director of graduate studies).

^ - If you're getting a 9-month stipend, you will also receive a [Summer Research Fellowship](#) from The Graduate School for the summer after this academic year.

[Current tuition, fees, and stipends](#)

[Cost of health insurance premiums](#)