

Graduate Fellowships

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Dear Graduate Coordinators,

Thank you for your partnership as we work to iron out the mechanics of paying international graduate students this fall. This message concerns **fellowship stipend payments for incoming international graduate students**.

As there is a longer lead time on processing all international student stipends, please **prioritize entering your international payments into the Financial Support Request Tool (FSRT) ASAP, and ahead of the [monthly deadline](#) where possible**. This will facilitate triage of the appropriate tax treatment and payment mechanism for each international student.

In the coming days, the Graduate Division Financial Unit will reach out to all incoming (FA20 admit) international graduate students **for whom fellowship stipend payment for September or October has been entered into the FSRT**.

- We will ask these students to answer questions to assess their ability to receive payment to a U.S. bank account. If they do not have access to a U.S. bank account, we will invite them to enroll in alternative options for payment, which at this time include mailing a physical check or receiving an international wire transfer via Western Union.
- Students physically inside the United States will not have reason to use the international wire (Western Union) service. If you have continuing students who do not have a U.S. bank account **and** are currently outside of the United States, we encourage you to submit a ticket via support.ucsd.edu/students so we can resolve this issue.
- We will begin contacting students on a rolling basis (as new support requests are made) to either update their Glacier record or to create a Western Union account, as applicable.

If you have questions about this process, the options available to students, or the implementation, we encourage you to bring those questions to an Open Office Hour that the Financial Support Unit Fellowship Team will hold on **Wednesday, September 9th, 9:00am - 9:45am** (<https://ucsd.zoom.us/j/99829723621>). This session will be recorded and made available on [the Financial Support section of the Graduate Division Partner Collab site](#) for those who cannot attend live.

UCPath Note: The fellowship stipend process is separate from UCPath payroll. We are awaiting additional information from UCPath on employment payment for those outside of the United States without a US bank account. We have been told that there will be an option to mail a paper check via UPS, though specific details remain forthcoming. However, it is important that both you and the students know that this will be resolved and payment will be able to be made to all students. For employment office hours or assistance in Microsoft Teams, see [UCPath for Graduate Student Employment](#).

Thanks,
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