

2026-2027 GA/RA/TA Program Summary Chart

GA Eligibility

Admission Status	Must be fully admitted to a master's or doctoral degree program. Conditionally admitted students, who have not yet met the terms of their admission, are <u>not</u> eligible.
Enrollment	Must be enrolled for a minimum of 9 credits for each Fall and Spring semester, and 6 credits for Summer semester (with an approved candidacy with UGS, enrollment is only 3 dissertation credits)
Academic Standing	Must maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA in graduate program

GA/RA/TA Benefits based on .5 FTE Contract (20 hours per week)

Tuition Waiver	Tuition waiver per credit is \$379.95. Covers 9 graduate credits for each Fall and Spring Semester; 6 credits for Summer. If advanced to candidacy, it covers 3 dissertation credits.
Tuition Waiver Total Amount for Graduate Enrollment	9 credits = \$3419.55 6 credits = \$2279.70 3 credits = \$1139.85 1 credit = (thesis-bound who have completed coursework and an approved proposal) \$379.95
Health Insurance Plan	partially subsidized by UGS

Amount GA/RA/TA Pays Each Semester

Per Credit Tuition Fees	\$75.69 per credit
Per Semester Fees (Health, Athletics, and Parking)	\$198.99 for Fall \$198.99 for Spring \$192.57 for Summer
Photo ID	\$10 each year in Fall semester or first term of enrollment
Orientation Fee for new Students only	\$35.00
Lab, Online and Special Course Fees	Some classes have associated fees which are in addition to the regular tuition and, therefore, are not covered by the waiver.

Total for Students to pay based on above per credit fees and per semester fees; does NOT include tuition plus, lab, or online fees

Fall Payment = \$890.20* (9 credits x \$75.69 plus \$198.99 semester fees and \$10 Photo fee)	
Fall Payment for Doctoral candidate = \$436.06	With an approved candidacy with UGS, then they must register for 3 dissertation credits only.
Spring Payment = \$880.20** (9 credits x \$75.69 plus \$198.99 semester fees)	
Spring Payment for Doctoral candidate = \$426.06**	With an approved candidacy with UGS, then they must register for 3 dissertation credits only.
Summer Payment = \$646.71 (6 credits x \$75.69 plus \$192.58 semester fees)	
Summer Payment for Doctoral candidate = \$419.64	With an approved candidacy with UGS, then they must register for 3 dissertation credits only.
*add \$35 orientation fee if first term of enrollment; **add \$10 photo fee and \$35 orientation fee if first term of enrollment	

Health Insurance Deductions

GA/RA/TA portion of the insurance premium will be deducted from their paycheck

Annual premium total = \$591.75
Fall only premium total = \$196.00 (deducted over 6 pay periods; \$32.66 each check)
Spring only premium total = \$204.25 (deducted over 6 pay periods; \$34.04 each check)
Summer only premium total = \$191.50 (deducted over 6 pay periods; \$31.92 each check)

Health insurance is mandatory, but students can opt out of the University plan if currently enrolled in an equivalent insurance plan. The deadline to opt out of the Graduate Assistant health insurance plan is Tuesday, September 15, 2026. To submit an opt-out request, please complete the insurance waiver form online. Detailed instructions and additional plan information are available on the Academic Health Plan website, <https://fiu.myahpcare.com/>.