School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Funding Policy*

1. The Minimum Doctoral Stipend for students enrolled full time in the PhD program is $18,000 annually for four years. Students who are externally sponsored (i.e. admitted with documented financial support from an external agency meeting the minimum amount) are not normally funded from university sources, and are exempted from the Minimum Doctoral Stipend.

2. The Minimum Stipend for Master’s students enrolled full time is $0 annually for the of enrolment.

3. To be eligible to receive financial support, a student must be registered full time and active in program.

   Students receiving scholarship funding from their supervisor’s grant must fulfil their supervisor’s reasonable expectation regarding attendance and activity in the research environment.

   Employment income as a teaching or research assistant is included in the guaranteed funding amount offered to students. Students must be available to take this employment as a GAT or GANT; otherwise the amount of the GAT or GANT refused will be deducted from the annual funding offered to the student for that academic year.

   To be eligible for scholarships/stipends paid as scholarships offered by the School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape or competitive university scholarships, a student cannot hold paid employment for more than 612 hours a year while registered as a full-time student. This includes hours worked as a GAT or GANT.

4. All of the following count toward meeting the student’s guaranteed funding amount (i.e. the amount guaranteed in the student’s offer of admission):
   - Stipend/scholarship payment from supervisor’s research grant
   - GAT/GANT income
   - Research assistantship income from supervisor’s research grant
   - Income as sessional instructor
   - External scholarships, including SSHRC/NSERC/CIHR/AIHS/AITF/QEII
   - Internal scholarships, including from program, or university competitions such as the Graduate Awards Competition

5. Students are encouraged to apply for external scholarships for which they are eligible

6. Success in external and internal scholarship competitions will affect the student’s funding in the following way:
   a. For awards of $5000 or less, funding as set out in the letter of admission will not be reduced.
   b. For awards of over $5000, funding as set out in the funding letter will be reduced, so that the student’s total funding for the year will be the greater of: (guaranteed funding + $5000) or (amount of external award).
7. Students are responsible for paying tuition and fees annually. 
   http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/grad/current/gs-fees-expenses.html. Students with 
   funding from university sources can apply for a payment plan. 
   https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/ tuition-fees/graduate-student-payment-plan

8. Note that the funding policy applies only to students enrolled in the School of Architecture, 
   Planning and Landscape thesis degrees, that is the Master of Environmental Design (thesis) and 
   the PhD program.