We are committed to helping you navigate the UNC MPP cost of attendance. The cost of attending graduate school includes tuition, fees, and health insurance, for which you are billed directly. It also includes indirect costs such as room, board, books and supplies, travel, loan fees, and personal expenses.

@ UNC

✔ The Graduate Funding Information Center (GFIC) supports current and prospective UNC-Chapel Hill graduate students seeking sources of funding for independent research, collaborative projects, fellowships, program development, and other scholarly activities.

✔ The Office of Scholarships and Student Aid administers financial aid in the form of federal student loans to graduate students. You should apply for financial aid by filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, FAFSA, by the priority deadline of March 1 following academic year. For questions about financial aid, please contact the Office of Scholarships & Student aid at ssa_graduate@unc.edu.

✔ The Graduate School offers several funding opportunities.

✔ A limited number of students may be awarded a teaching assistantship. As part of this award, students may receive a Tuition Remission Award, reducing tuition to in-state rates, and an In-State Tuition Award. The Graduate School recommends that students should not normally work in excess 12-15 hours per week on average for master's students.

✔ “External” funding sources refer to sources that are not affiliated with UNC, such as local, state, federal, private, and institutional sources.

@ Peers

Several of our peer 2-year MPP programs offer this additional information to students.

✔ Berkeley
✔ Michigan
✔ UCLA
✔ Georgetown
✔ Duke
@ Other Sources

The federal government offers a loan forgiveness program—Public Service Loan Forgiveness—for qualifying public service jobs.

✓ National Databases

- FinAid.org
- FastWeb.com’s Graduate Scholarships
- Petersons’ Graduate Scholarship Search Engine
- StudentScholarshipSearch.com’s Graduate School Scholarships
- Profellow
- National Coveted College Scholarships
- MSU’s Graduate Scholarships, Fellowships and Loans
- Pivot Funding Opportunities Database

✓ Scholarships, Grants, and Fellowships for Underrepresented and Minority Students

- 60+ College Scholarships for Minority Students
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund
- 100 Minority Scholarship Gateway List
- American Association of University Women
- Financial Aid & Scholarships for Minority Students
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society
- American Physiological Society – Minority Awards

✓ International Students

- Institute of International Education
- EducationUSA
- International Education Financial Aid
- Educators for Fair Education
- ETSU’s International Student Scholarships
- MIT’s Fellowships for International Students
- Fulbright Programs
- Social Science Research Council’s Fellowships and Prizes
- InternationalScholarships.com
- Mobility International USA’s Funding
- International Scholarships for Students from Developing Countries
- International Financial Aid and Scholarship Search
- Boren Fellowships for International Study