

SFU  
Graduate Program in Computing Science  
PhD Minimum Funding Policy

This program level funding policy has been developed to accompany [GGR 1.17](#).

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The primary goal in the development of a minimum funding guarantee is equity, which the graduate program in Computing Science defines as a guarantee of funding that allows the students to perform their research, as well as ensuring fairness and justice in the allocation of funding resources within a program with the goal of enabling impartial outcomes.

1. Students enrolled in the PhD program in Computing Science are expected to complete the program in 12 terms. Students in the program will be funded for a minimum of 12 terms.
2. In the case that there is a conflict between this policy and GGR 1.17, GGR 1.17 will prevail.
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5. All of the following count toward meeting the student's minimum guaranteed funding amount:

- x Scholarship payment from supervisor's research grant
- x TA funding up to 6 Base Units per term (i.e., up to 18 BUs per year)
- x RA funding

- x PhD Research Scholarship. Student funding might not be provided in equal increments over the course of an academic year. Students are advised to budget accordingly.

7. The funding year begins in Fall and ends in Summer for all students enrolled in the program. Students who begin the program in a semester other than the semester



which the funding year begins will have their funding accordingly ~~applied~~ for the remaining portion of the academic year.

- 8. The time spent in non-research related Co-operative Education or Internship programs will not count against the total terms of guaranteed funding.
- 9. Should the student receive an external award for the

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