# Weitzman

# Funding for PhD Researchers

# Purpose

The School recognizes the extraordinary research efforts of the Weitzman faculty and their desire to obtain PhD students who they can collaborate with and who can contribute to their research. In order to encourage faculty to recruit PhD students outside of the School’s pool of PhD fellows for their research activities, the School is willing to waive the required annual graduate group tuition of the matriculant under the conditions below.

Definitions

1. Internal vs. External Sources

*Internal* sources are funds from the School or within Penn. *External* sources are funds from outside Penn including, but not limited to, foreign government, federal/state/city, foundations, corporations, and consulting agreements through Penn Praxis.

1. Fully Funded

Internal or external sources that cover 100% of the graduate group tuition, general and clinical fees, stipend, and health insurance for four years.

1. PhD Fellow

A PhD student in a graduate group program who is fully funded from *internal* sources.

1. PhD Researcher

A PhD student in a graduate group program who is fully funded from *external* sources.

Conditions

All of the following conditions must be met to recruit a PhD Researcher and receive an annual waiver of graduate group tuition from the School:

* The faculty must have secured and verifiable *external* funding for the general and clinical fees, stipend, and health insurance for a *minimum* of three years, sources may vary.
* In the event the faculty cannot secure the necessary funding for the fourth and final year, the School is obligated to withhold any difference from the faculty’s indirect cost recovery allocation (*The PI is responsible for securing all four years of funding).*
* The faculty must consult with the Graduate Group chair on their intentions to recruit a PhD Researcher.
* The student must meet all of the Graduate Group’s admission’s criteria for entry into the program and fulfill all the academic and scholarly training requirements as set out by their respective Graduate Group.

Disclaimer

The Dean has the right to amend the policy based on the financial health of the School.