

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Budget and Finance

AGENDA ITEM: 7 – M
DATE: March 27-29, 2018

SUBJECT:

FY19 Graduate Assistant Stipends

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[SDCL 13-53-6](#)
[BOR Policy 5:5 Tuition and Fees: General Procedures](#)
[BOR Policy 5:22 Graduate Assistants and Fellows](#)

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Graduate Assistant Stipends

The Board annually establishes a minimum stipend to be paid to graduate assistants. Graduate assistants are expected to work a full semester to receive the full semester compensation. Graduate assistants are expected to work the full four-week summer session to receive the full four-week session compensation. The minimum compensation may be prorated accordingly if the graduate student does not work the full semester or four-week session.

SDSU currently waives tuition and fees for their graduate assistants and fellows as compensation for their work. Therefore, the salary minimum does not apply to SDSU.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board has traditionally increased the minimum amount of the graduate assistant stipends by the rate of increase in resident graduate tuition. The increase is rounded to the nearest dollar.

<u>Black Hills State University, Dakota State University, Northern State University</u>				
<u>Graduate Assistant Stipends</u>	<u>FY18 Rate</u>	<u>\$ Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>	<u>FY19 Rate</u>
Per Semester	\$3,702.00	\$56.00	1.50%	\$3,758.00
Per 4-Week Session	\$925.00	\$14.00	1.50%	\$939.00

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DRAFT MOTION 20180327_7-M:

I move approval of BHSU, DSU, and NSU FY19 minimum graduate assistant stipends in the amount of \$3,758 per semester and \$939 per four-week session; SDSM&T FY19 minimum graduate assistant stipends in the amount of \$3,907 per semester and \$976 per four-week session; and USD FY19 minimum graduate assistant stipends in the amount of \$3,898 per semester and \$974 per four-week session.

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<u>Graduate Assistant Stipends</u>	<u>FY18 Rate</u>	<u>\$ Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>	<u>FY19 Rate</u>
Per Semester	\$3,849.00	\$58.00	1.50%	\$3,907.00
Per 4 Week Session	\$962.00	\$14.00	1.50%	\$976.00

University of South Dakota

<u>Graduate Assistant Stipends</u>	<u>FY18 Rate</u>	<u>\$ Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>	<u>FY19 Rate</u>
Per Semester	\$3,763.00	\$135.00	3.60%	\$3,898.00
Per 4 Week Session	\$940.00	\$34.00	3.60%	\$974.00

ATTACHMENTS

None