Council of Graduate Schools

Resolution Regarding Graduate Scholars, Fellows, Trainees and Assistants

Acceptance of an offer of financial support (such as a graduate scholarship, fellowship, traineeship, or assistantship) for the next academic year by a prospective or enrolled graduate student completes an agreement that both student and graduate school expect to honor. In that context, the conditions affecting such offers and their acceptance must be defined carefully and understood by all parties.

Students are under no obligation to respond to offers of financial support prior to April 15; earlier deadlines for acceptance of such offers violate the intent of this Resolution. In those instances in which a student accepts an offer before April 15, and subsequently desires to withdraw that acceptance, the student may submit in writing a resignation of the appointment at any time through April 15. However, an acceptance given or left in force after April 15 commits the student not to accept another offer without first obtaining a written release from the institution to which a commitment has been made. Similarly, an offer by an institution after April 15 is conditional on presentation by the student of the written release from any previously accepted offer. It is further agreed by the institutions and organizations subscribing to the above Resolution that a copy of this Resolution or a link to the URL should accompany every scholarship, fellowship, traineeship, and assistantship offer.

The following list includes CGS member institutions that indicated their support of the Resolution.

This Resolution was renewed October 2009.

Abilene Christian University
Air Force Institute of Technology
Alcorn State University
Alfred University
American University
Andrews University
Angelo State University
Appalachian State University
Arizona State University
Arkansas State University
Auburn University
Austin Peay State University
Ball State University
Baylor College of Medicine
Baylor University
Bloomsburg University of Penn.
Boise State University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Bradley University
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Calderwell College
California Institute of Technology
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
California State University, Bakersfield
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Hayward
California State University, Long Beach
California State University, Los Angeles
California State University, Northridge
California State University, Sacramento
California State University, Stanislaus
California University of Pennsylvania
Case Western Reserve University
Catholic University of America
Central Michigan University
Central Missouri State University
Central Washington University
City University of New York
Graduate Center
Claremont Graduate University
Clark Atlanta University
Clark University
Clemson University
Cleveland State University
College of Charleston
College of New Jersey
College of Saint Rose
College of William and Mary
Colorado School of Mines
Columbia University
Concordia University, River Forest
Coppin State College
Cornell University
Creighton University
Dartmouth College
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke University
Duquesne University
East Carolina University
East Central University
East Tennessee State University
Eastern Illinois University
Eastern Kentucky University
Eastern Michigan University
Eastern Washington University
Emerson College
Emory University
Emporia State University
Fayetteville State University
Faulkner State University
Fielding Graduate Institute
Fitchburg State College
Florida A & M University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida International University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Fort Hays State University
Gallaudet University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Hampton University
Harvard University
Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion
High Point University
Hofstra University
Hood College
Howard University
Idaho State University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Illinois State University
Indiana State University
Indiana University
Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Iowa State University
Jackson State University
James Madison University
John Carroll University
Johns Hopkins University
Kansas State University
Kent State University
Lamar University
Langston University
Lehigh University
Lipscomb University
Loma Linda University
Louisiana State University and A & M College
Louisiana State University
Health Sciences Center
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University of Chicago
Marquette University
Marshall University
Marywood University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Medical College of Georgia
Medical College of Ohio
Medical College of Wisconsin
Medical University of South Carolina
Miami University
Michigan State University
Michigan Technological University
Middle Tennessee State University
Minnesota State University - Mankato
Mississippi State University
Missouri State University
Montana State University - Bozeman
Montana Tech of the University of Montana
Montclair State University
Mount Mary College
Murray State University
National University
Naval Postgraduate School
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New Mexico State University
New York Medical College
New York University
North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University
North Carolina State University at Raleigh
North Dakota State University
Northeastern Illinois University
Northern Arizona University
Northern Illinois University

* This Resolution applies to offers of financial support only, not offers of admission.