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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** June 6, 2008  
**TO:** Cockrell School of Engineering Faculty  
**FROM:** Randall Charbeneau  
 Associate Dean for Research  
**SUBJECT:** Proposal Information - Graduate Tuition/Fees and Increased GRA/TA Stipend Support as of Fall 2008

Please find below a few helpful figures and guidelines for preparing proposals. Please note that the Cockrell School of Engineering's minimum stipend rate for Graduate Research Assistants and Teaching Assistants increased as of the Fall 2008 semester.

Graduate Student Tuition/Fees

The Cockrell School requires that tuition and fees are included on all proposals that support graduate students. The information below provides a 9-hour appointment as an example. If a student is registered for 12 hours, then the amount should be increased accordingly. Graduate students will be charged a flat rate tuition beginning Fall 2008. This rate includes mandatory fees and college and course incidental fees. The following graduate tuition/fees information from the Office of the Registrar should be used as a guideline for estimating costs:

\$3,870 Fall 2008 9 hours  
 \$3,870 Spring 2009 9 hours  
 \$1,600 Summer 2008 3 hours (12-week session)

Stipend Support - As of Fall 2008 Semester (new rate increase)

All Cockrell School students will be paid a minimum of \$1,320 per month for a 20-hour a week appointment when appointed to the following titles:

Graduate Research Assistant (GRA)

Based on a full-time equivalent, 12-month base annual salary of \$31,680  
 Exceptions to this GRA appointment policy can be made with the approval of the Associate Dean for Research.

Teaching Assistant (TA)

Based on a full-time equivalent, 9-month base salary of \$23,760  
 Exceptions to this TA appointment policy can be made with the approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Indirect Costs - Facilities and Administrative Cost Rate (new rates)

The indirect cost rate is 52% of modified total direct costs (MTDC). PRC is considered on-campus and is charged the full rate. For further information, contact my office at 471-2125 or the Office of Sponsored Projects at 471-6424. The OSP web site is: <http://www.utexas.edu/research/osp/>

Effective Period	Rate (%)	Locations	Applicable To
09/01/08 until amended	26.0	Off Campus	Research
09/01/08 until amended	52.0	On Campus	Research