

Graduate Programs in Business

Graduate Assistantships and Financial Aid Awards

CBA Graduate Assistantships

Most Graduate Assistantship (GA) awards provide a limited tuition scholarship and stipend for half time students working 10 hours per week. The College of Business Administration has a required online GA application which must be submitted each semester for candidates seeking an award.

Visit **gradbusiness.uakron.edu** and select **Paying for Graduate School** in the left menu for detailed information on the types of GA awards available and access to the online GA application.

Reference letters submitted for admission may also be used for the GA application.

Application Deadlines:

March 1 for Fall semester – Selections are made in April and May.

November 1 for Spring semester –Selections are made in November or December.

Applications submitted after these dates may be considered for awards which may become available. Some departments take longer to make decisions and we sometimes have GA resignations.

Selection Process

The CBA Graduate Programs office processes GA applications and provides a list of applicants to CBA departments for review. We also process contracts for awards. Because we do not make the GA selections, we do not meet with students to discuss GA opportunities.

Award recipients are selected by department chairs and institute or program directors based on current openings and departmental needs. An applicant's GMAT (or other score), GPA, prior work experience and undergraduate degree are taken in to consideration when filling positions. If a chair or director would like to meet with you, they will contact you for an interview.

There are usually 12-15 applicants for every opening. Many qualified applicants will not receive a GA award by virtue of the sheer volume of applications. Other possible forms of aid should be considered.

Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships and other opportunities are available. Information on those can be found at **gradbusiness.uakron.edu** in the **Paying for Graduate School** link.

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Student Loans

Student Loans are administered by the Office of Student Financial Aid. Visit their website at www.uakron.edu/finaid

Outside Aid

Students should also research scholarship opportunities related to the field of study on the internet. Professional organizations often have scholarship programs. International students may apply to Fulbright or USAID for awards and research governmental scholarships established within their home countries for possible additional sources of funding.

Eligibility

Students must have full admission status and be in good academic standing – not on probation- to be eligible for a GA or other aid awards provided by the CBA. Provisionally admitted students are not eligible for an award until they achieve full admission status.

GA awards are limited to full-time students admitted to degree granting programs. Some scholarships are available to part-time students.

UA will only assist students with funding for one degree program.