

PAYING A STIPEND VS. A FELLOWSHIP

There are several ways to pay an individual for services or completed work at UC Merced. Which method is best for you? Here is one of a series of comparisons of common payment options. To see the full series along with a helpful chart of options and resources, visit cbs2.ucmerced.edu/pay-one



STIPEND

VS.



FELLOWSHIP

Provided when an employee is temporarily assigned, for a period of at least 30 working days, responsibilities of a higher-level position or other significant duties that are not the employee's regular position. Represented staff are eligible for stipends only as outlined in collective bargaining agreements.

DESCRIPTION

A monetary award given to a graduate student to pay for academic pursuits. A merit- or need-based scholarship for advanced study of an academic subject.

Supervisors in an interim executive director role or individuals participating on a major software implementation project.

EXAMPLES

Graduate Dean's Dissertation Fellowship (GDDF), Chancellor's Fellowship for Inclusive Excellence, President's Dissertation Year Fellowship, Cost of living Allowance (COLA), Outstanding Teaching Award

Payment times vary by pay cycle.

PROCESSING TIME

3-4 weeks

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RESOURCES

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