

**Department of Urban and Regional Planning  
Jackson State University  
Application Guidelines for Financial Aid Award**

The Department has limited scholarships specifically for financial assistance. This funding is independent from FASFA or any other University scholarships. Applicants who do not meet the deadline in submitting their application will not be considered. Financial aid is awarded based on academic achievement.

In order for students to be eligible to receive financial aid, they must meet the following criteria:

**M.A. students may chose from either a tuition waiver or graduate assistantship.**

**Tuition Waiver (TW)**-The recipient must commit to enrolling in nine credit hours and maintaining an overall "B" GPA (3.0) for the academic year.

**Graduate Assistantship (GA)**-The recipient must commit to enrolling in nine credit hours per semester and maintaining an overall "B" GPA (3.0) for the academic year. In addition, the recipient must commit to working in a development agency 20 hours per week. No other employment will be allowed when working as a graduate assistant. M.A. students must have the approval of the Department chair before this is allowed.

**Ph.D. students may chose from either a tuition waiver or research assistantship.**

**Tuition Waiver (TW)**-The recipient must commit to enrolling in nine credit hours and maintaining an overall "B" GPA (3.0) for the academic year.

**Research Assistantship (RA)** - The recipient must commit to enrolling in nine credit hours and maintaining an overall "B" GPA (3.0) for the academic year. Also, the student will commit to working with an assigned faculty member and be available 20 hours per week. No other employment will be allowed when working as a research assistant. Ph.D. students must have the approval of the Department chair before this is allowed.

- Applicants must provide an updated official transcript and current copy of your resume. In addition, applicants should submit an essay of no more than 500 words explaining your reason for applying.
- Tuition awards cover only the in-state rate; awards to an out-of-state student will be at the in-state rate.
- All awardees must agree to the specified terms and sign an acceptance for from the Department.

**Applying for:**                      Fall semester 20 \_\_\_\_\_      YES or NO   (circle one)

   Spring semester 20 \_\_\_\_\_      YES or NO   (circle one)

PERMANENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Street	(Apt.)	
City	State	Zip

CURRENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

_____	Street	(Apt.)
_____	City	State Zip

TELEPHONE INFORMATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Area code) Home telephone

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(Area code) Mobile number                      (Area code) Alternate number

**Are you presently employed with Jackson State University?** YES or No (circle one)  
If so, how many years/months? \_\_\_\_\_

Institution	City/State/ Country	Undergraduate/ Graduate Degree Earned	Major/GPA

Please list your professional club affiliations, special skills, awards or special recognition that you have received.

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**Work Experience/Background**

Please list the last three employment sites and provide a current resume.

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Start/end date	Employer	City/State/Country
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Job tasks performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to apply for the: (Place an X in the corresponding box)

M.A. Tuition Waiver ☐ M.A. Graduate Assistantship ☐

Ph.D. Tuition Waiver ☐ Ph.D. Research Assistantship ☐

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved February 10, 2010