

Sample Funding Maps for BSHS PhD Students

Sample Scenario 1 – faculty advisor has grant-funding starting first year

	Fall (20 hr/week)	Spring (20 hr/week)	Summer (varies, up to 40/wk)
Year 1	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA	Fellowship RA 20 hrs RA with advisor 20 hrs prof development
Year 2	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA	Global Mobility Fellowship
Year 3	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA
Year 4	Grant-funded RA	TA	Grant-funded RA
Year 5	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA

Sample Scenario 2 – faculty advisor does not have grant-funding; student obtains a pre-doc grant

	Fall	Spring	Summer (varies, up to 40/wk)
Year 1	Fellowship RA	Fellowship RA	Fellowship RA 20 hrs RA with advisor 20 hrs prof development
Year 2	TA	Global Mobility Fellowship	Grant-funded RA
Year 3	F31/R36	F31/R36	F31/R36
Year 4	F31/R36	F31/R36	F31/R36

Sample Scenario 3 – grant funding is unpredictable and/or emerges in later years

	Fall (20 hr/week)	Spring (20 hr/week)	Summer (varies, up to 40/wk)
Year 1	Fellowship RA	Fellowship RA	Fellowship RA 20 hrs RA with advisor 20 hrs prof development
Year 2	TA	TA	Grant-funded RA
Year 3	TA	TA	Grant-funded RA
Year 4	Grant-funded RA	TA	Grant-funded RA
Year 5	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA	Grant-funded RA

Sample Scenario 4 – Presidential Fellows

	Fall (20 hr/week)	Spring (20 hr/week)	Summer (varies, up to 40/wk)
Year 1	Fellowship	Fellowship	Fellowship
Year 2	Fellowship	Fellowship	Fellowship
Year 3	Fellowship	Fellowship	Fellowship
Year 4	Grant-funded RA or F31/R36	Grant-funded RA or F31/R36	Grant-funded RA or F31/R36

Note 1. Most students will receive a consistent stipend amount per month, reflecting the Brown PhD base stipend. Some fellowships (Diversity, Presidential) come with enhanced monthly stipends when they are active. External awards (e.g., F31) that do not provide enough

support to bring the student up to the Brown base stipend will be topped up using the Program's bank.

Note 2. The Brown PhD base stipend goes up each year by a couple of percentage points.

Note 3. Fellowship RAs in the first year are not taxed, whereas grant-funded RAships and TAships are taxed, so take home pay may vary across years.

Note 4. Students can count on an assistantship during the academic year. If a grant funded RAship with advisors or colleagues is not available, then the student may be assigned to a TAship, or an available RAship. Therefore, some students will do more than the one required TA. If a student has discussed filling a grant-funded RAship with a faculty member, this arrangement should be conveyed to the DGS asap, so that the student is taken out of the TA pool for that semester/year.

Note 5. In summers 2-4, students should be actively seeking summer support within their research network; in early spring semester, the DGS sends out a call to faculty to elicit available summer RAships. These may be full time for the 3 summer months or part-time, contingent upon funding.