

**A. James Clark School of Engineering**  
**Graduate Assistantship Minimum Stipends**  
**FY27 - Effective July 1, 2026**

**MINIMUM STIPENDS**

<b>9-month Assistantship</b>		
	FULL Academic Yr	HALF Academic Yr
Step 1	\$26,975	\$13,488
Step II	\$27,502	\$13,751
Step III	\$28,029	\$14,015

<b>12-month Assistantship</b>		
	FULL Calendar Yr	HALF Calendar Yr
Step 1	\$35,958	\$17,979
Step II	\$36,660	\$18,330
Step III	\$37,363	\$18,682

- Departments are to provide work assignments that GAs receiving full stipends can satisfactorily complete in no more than a 20-hour average work week, and are to ensure that GAs spend no more than 20 hours per week on average throughout the term of appointment on work unrelated to their research. The actual number of hours required to complete assignments in any given week may vary. Graduate students working on research projects funded by grants are often also working on material directly related to their theses or dissertations. It is not unusual in such cases for grant work and personal work to merge and for the work time to consume far more than the usual 20-hour weekly average.

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**OPTIONAL SUMMER APPOINTMENTS**

- During Winter and Summer terms, overloads are required for any teaching assignments above a standard Full Assistantship appointment. Overloads are not required for additional non-teaching hours above the standard full Assistantship, as long as the combination for both the standard Assistantship and the additional Winter/Summer appointment averages 40 hours or less per week.

<b>Common Options for Summer Appointments</b>			
	<b>Avg 40 Hrs/ Week Summer</b> <i>* 9-month Assistantships Only</i>	<b>Avg 20 Hrs/ Week Summer</b>	<b>Avg 10 Hrs/ Week Summer</b>
Step 1	\$17,966	\$8,983	\$4,491
Step II	\$18,316	\$9,158	\$4,579
Step III	\$18,667	\$9,334	\$4,667