

January 2013: Policy on Compassionate Leave for Graduate Students

Graduate students will be provided with compassionate leave for a period of up to one year in the case of the death or serious illness of a family member. This leave is not intended to cover circumstances related to travel, employment, or other financial concerns. Once on leave, students will not be registered with the University, nor will they be required to pay tuition or continuing fees. However, students may choose to maintain computer network, email, and library access during the period of the leave by paying a \$100.00 fee. Financial support from University sources will normally be suspended during the period of the leave and, where possible, will be reinstated upon completion of the leave. It is the responsibility of the student to determine the status of funding from all external sources.