

# *Generating Funding for Ph.D. Student Support – Innovative Approaches....*

## ***...Leveraging an Institutional Program***

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# UGA Voluntary Tuition Incentive Program

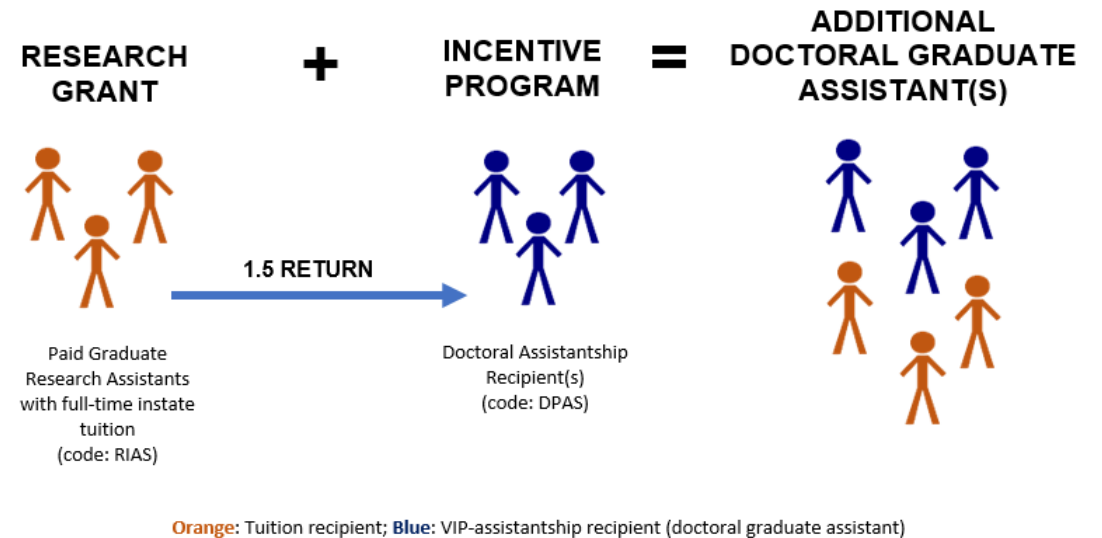
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## 1. Voluntary Tuition Incentive Program for Research Grants

*Objective:* To increase doctoral enrollments as part of the university's goal to increase both graduate and professional student enrollment.

*Mechanism:* For each graduate assistant (GRA) who receives full time, in-state graduate tuition from a sponsored research grant or external contract,

- 1.5 times the university's base tuition rate will be returned to the department of the principal investigator to cover an assistantship for another doctoral student.
- There is no limit on the number of RIAS returns per research grant/ contract. **These funds must be deployed within one year of receipt.**



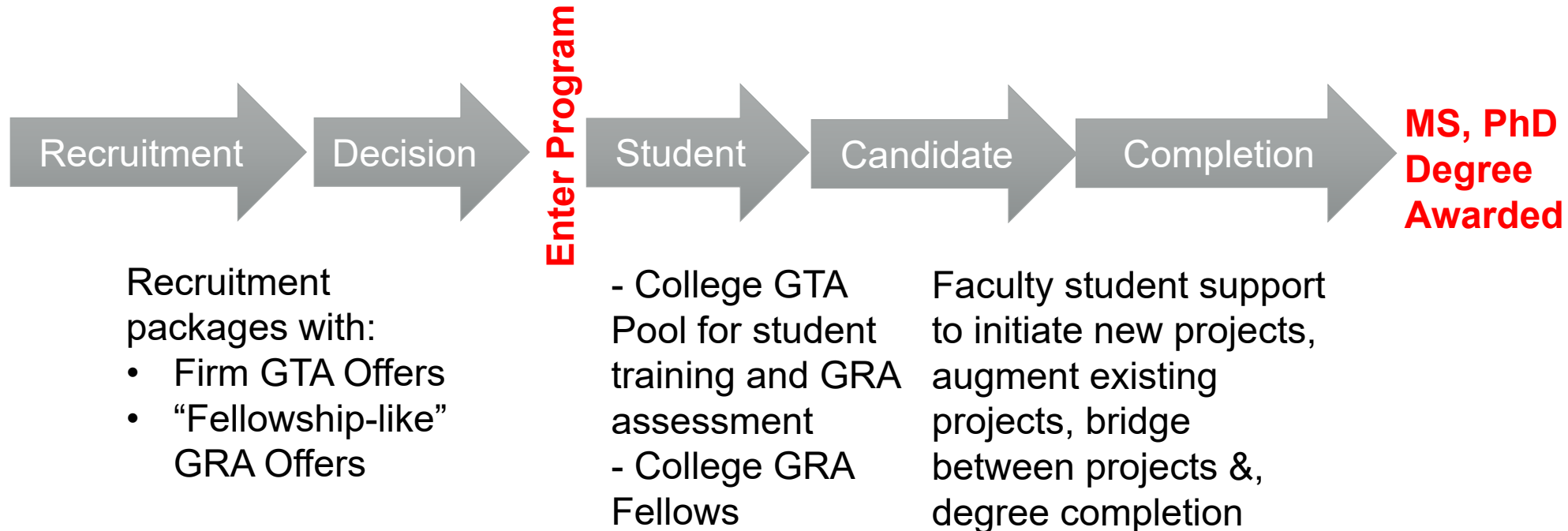


# *Bootstrapping the Engineering Graduate Program:* **The College of Engineering Graduate Tuition Policy**

On February 19, 2015, the UGA Provost's Office announced that faculty and their units have the opportunity to receive funds in the amount of 150% of all graduate tuition included on extramural grants

Opportunity: *Act together as a college* to grow our graduate student population by providing nationally competitive and consistent support for students from recruitment through degree completion.

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**Transformative for our graduate and research programs**  
**Outcome: Increased research, PhD and MS production**

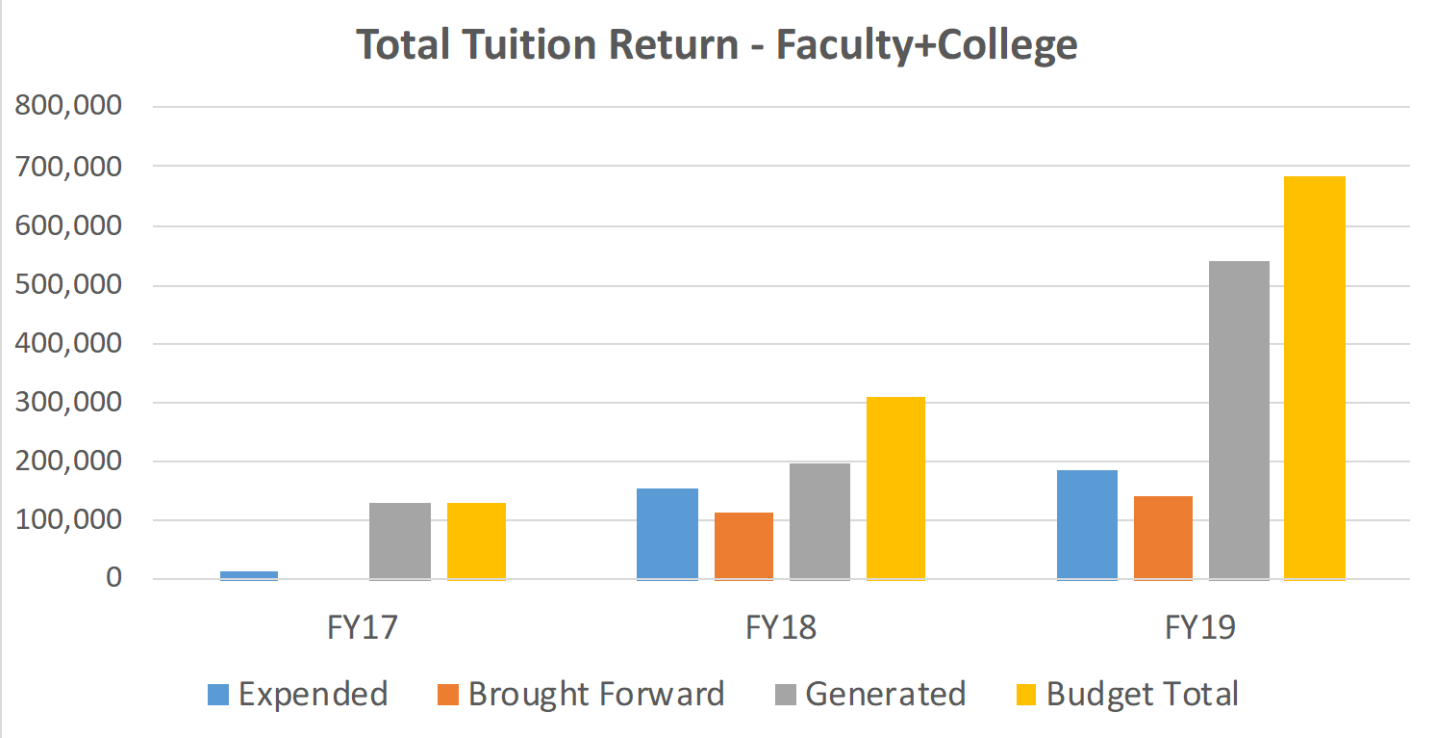
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Beginning April 1, 2016, the College of Engineering required that tuition be included in all grants that fund graduate students through extramural sponsored research.

Funds (1.5 x tuition collected) returned to the college from the Provost's Office will be disbursed as follows:

- 1/2 of the funds will be returned to the faculty member for their use in the targeted support of graduate students in their programs.
- 1/2 of the funds will be returned to the Office of Academic Programs to create a graduate assistant pool in the college.

# Outcomes to Date



## Challenges

- Limited Time for Expenditure
- Claim Process Overhead
- Exclusion of MS Students