



Financial Aid

The Penn Graduate School of Education is committed to helping students meet the costs of receiving an education at the University of Pennsylvania. The Mid-Career Doctoral Program does not offer full fellowships at this time, but instead encourages students to pay for the program through a combination of federal and private loans, grant support, private scholarship programs, employer support, university payment plans, and personal finances. Mid-Career students qualify as full-time students and, as such, are eligible for the corresponding financial aid resources. Upon completion of the Mid-Career Doctoral Program students may also be eligible for the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program.

AY2018-2019 tuition and fees can be found [here](#).

Further information on federal loan programs and available grant support are provided below:

Federal Loan Programs

Direct Loans are offered by the Department of Education to students who meet the [basic eligibility requirements](#). The loan is guaranteed by the Federal Government. Students must be US citizens or permanent residents, enrolled at least half-time and show satisfactory progress in a program leading to a degree or certificate. A student may borrow up to \$20,500 total once per academic year. For further information on these loan programs and alternative loans please contact the Penn GSE Financial Aid Office at finaid@gse.upenn.edu. For more information about financial aid at the University of Pennsylvania, please visit www.sfs.upenn.edu/home or call Student Financial Services at 215-898-1988 and ask to speak to a member of the Graduate School Team.

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Grant Support

While most students fund their studies through a combination of loans, personal resources, and support from their organization, the Mid-Career Program regularly searches for any available grant support. Each year we provide some limited financial support through a variety of funds.

While each academic year varies, for the academic year 2017-18, we are pleased to provide twenty-five current students with grant support totaling nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

Below please find seven potential sources, each annually dependent upon funds available and student match to the funding criteria:

For students serving in the Philadelphia public schools: Owing to the generous support of the Kohn Fund, occasionally the Mid-Career Program is able to offer partial support to school-based leaders in this urban community.

For urban public school principals: Owing to the generous support of the Glosserman Family Urban Education Scholarship Fund, the Mid-Career Program is able to offer partial support to school leaders serving public urban schools. Benefactor preference is for DC Public School principals, but principals in other urban districts will be considered depending upon funds available.

For students earlier in their careers and working in "high-leverage" public leadership capacities: Owing to the generous support of a GSE trustee, occasionally the Mid-Career Program is able to offer partial support to students meeting these funding criteria (more details upon inquiry).

Neubauer Family Foundation Philadelphia Commitment Scholars Program – In collaboration with the Neubauer Foundation and The School District of Philadelphia, this program provides support to eligible senior leaders in the school district. Further information is available from The School District of Philadelphia.

PELS scholarship – The Mid-Career Doctoral Program is pleased to announce a new scholarship grant opportunity for students. Limited funding is available to support those students interested in either building and/or doing research on leadership simulations, or other immersive learning experiences, in support of the Penn Educational Leadership Simulations (PELS) Program. Students who wish to either develop simulations or carry out

research on simulations would be eligible to apply for the funding. Further information about the PELS Program is available at www.gse.upenn.edu/pels .

NAESP National Distinguished Principals Scholarship – The Mid-Career Program, as part of its strategic alliance with the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP), proudly offers a partial scholarship to one qualifying NAESP National Distinguished Principal (NDP) each year. Interested NDP candidates should contact the Program at mcprog@gse.upenn.edu once their application is submitted. *For more info on the NAESP NDPs:* <http://www.naesp.org/national-distinguished-principals-program> .

Mid-Career Program Fund – Based on fund availability, the program will provide occasional support to students, particularly from low-resource organizations serving low-income communities.

IAELN/RILE Fellows – (New support for students interested in being engaged in our growing set of initiatives in Latin America will be available starting in AY2018-19; more information soon.)

For more information on grant support please contact us at mcprog@gse.upenn.edu.

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