

## UMBI Research Graduate Assistant Stipend Standards for FY08

It is UMBI's intent to provide fair and competitive Research Graduate Assistant stipends. In this spirit, Research Graduate Assistant stipends for students conducting their dissertation research in UMBI laboratories/research programs will be set in accord with the following guidelines during FY08.

1. For students enrolled in Graduate Programs that establish the graduate assistant stipend level for their students, the UMBI stipend shall be the stipend stipulated by the student's Graduate Program. Centers should not supplement these stipends.
2. In cases where the Graduate Program does not set the stipend level, UMBI will work toward providing stipend support at a level that avoids gross inequity among students in the same laboratory, Center and ultimately, across UMBI.

UMBI will adopt the University of Maryland College Park's College of Chemical and Life Sciences (CCLS) 12-month stipend levels as the minimum UMBI stipends. The maximum stipend level shall be that of the University of Maryland Baltimore (\$23,000 for level I and \$24,000 for Level II in FY08).

3. UMCP Stipends  
UMCP now has three levels of Grad Assistant stipends:  
Level I – First Year students  
Level II – Second year students, those with a Master's degree, and those who have not passed the Candidacy Exam  
Level III – Students who have passed the Candidacy Exam.

UMCP College of Chemical and Life Sciences FY08 Rates:

Level I = \$20,096

Level II = \$20,899

Level III = \$21,402

- A. College of Engineering rates:

Level I = \$25,907

Level II = \$27,461

Level III = \$29,108

- B. MOCB and CBMG rates:

Level I = \$22,000

Level II = \$22,260

Level III = \$23,150

- C. MEES does not have set rates for FY08. Therefore, we will use the CCLS minimums.
  - D. Biology rates:
    - Level I = \$21,242
    - Level II = \$22,047
    - Level III = \$22,644
  - E. Vet Medicine rates:
    - Level I = 19,968
    - Level II = \$20,420.40
    - Level III = \$21,707.92
  - F. Physics rates (including Chemical Physics):
    - Level I = \$20,000
    - Level II = \$22,200
    - Level III = \$22,500
  - G. Chemistry/Biochemistry rates:
    - Level I = \$21,000
    - Level II = \$22,170.75
    - Level III = \$22,725
4. UMB Rates: No change for FY08.
    - Level I (pre-candidacy students) = \$23,000
    - Level II (post-candidacy students) = \$24,000
  5. UMBC Rates: Minimum of \$17,261 for 12-month appointment set by the Graduate School. Each program determines their rates from there. No current UMBC grad students on payroll.
  6. The UMBI Office of Human Resources will obtain updated stipend levels from the Graduate Programs and the UMCP College of Life Sciences each fiscal year and will be the office of record for determining UMBI Research Graduate Assistant stipend levels for the coming fiscal year.