Dissertation Cost Increase
Doctor of Philosophy Nursing Science, PhD students only
Rush University
Office of Student Financial Aid

Federal regulations permit the Financial Aid Office to increase a student’s educational cost of attendance budget by creating an allowance for educationally related costs that may be allowable under federal regulations and incurred by students.

Students who are enrolled in the Doctor of Philosophy, Nursing Science PhD program are eligible to apply for the additional increase in their cost of attendance due to dissertation cost. The PhD dissertation cost allowance is for the expressed purpose to enable the student to fund some or all of their educational expenses associated with a dissertation in the PhD program. Additional cost above and beyond the maximum limited established in this policy is not allowed.

The PhD Dissertation cost allowance cannot exceed $7,484 for the total duration of the program. Funds can be requested in smaller increments annually or on a one-time lump sum basis.

Student Name: ___________________________ Student ID: ___________________________

SECTION A: To be completed by student requesting the dissertation cost allowance.

Please provide a copy of your budget breakdown that was approved as part of your dissertation plan to support the request for the dissertation cost allowance.

Amount Requested: $__________________________ (cannot exceed $7,484 cumulative)

Budget provided: Yes No

Year in the Program: YR 1 YR2 YR3+

First request or subsequent request: First Subsequent

Term starting (or started) dissertation work: ________________________________

I certify that all of the information on this form is complete and correct. I understand that I am responsible for ensuring the funds received as a result of this allowance are used to support educationally related expenses.

Student Signature ___________________________________________ Date _____________

SECTION B: To be completed by the Office of Student Financial Aid.

☐ 1st request
☐ 2nd request
☐ 3rd + request

Total Amount Received year to date: $__________________________ Amount approved: $__________________________

Approved by: ___________________________________________ Date Approved: _____________________