

## 2017 Graduate Student Support Survey Responses

### Q3. Have you made your final decision about where to attend graduate school?

				Not going to school this year			
Yes	No	Not going to school this year	Total	Yes	No	Not going to school this year	Total
6,530	33	104	6,667	98%	0%	2%	100%

### Q6 How many UC institutions accepted you?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
4,767	1,238	340	106	18	9	6	5	2	8	6,499
73%	19%	5%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%

### Q7 How many non-UC institutions accepted you?

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
1,218	1,286	1,203	985	729	460	255	149	105	37	72	6,499
19%	20%	19%	15%	11%	7%	4%	2%	2%	1%	1%	100%

### Q8 Where will you enroll next year?

UC	Non-UC	Total	UC	Non-UC	Total
3,888	2,611	6,499	60%	40%	100%

**\*Q24 What awards, if any, will you receive that you can use at any school?**

	Selected
AASERT	2
Conacyt	14
DAAD	7
Department of Defence	13
Department of Energy	11
Department of Homeland Security	3
Ford	13
Fulbright	41
GAANN	4
Hertz	2
IBM	6
Javits	1
Mellon	19
NASA	10
NDSEG	14
NIH	29
NSF	305
Pew	4
STAR (EPA)	1
Host Country Government F	0
Other (please specify):	212

**Q26 Will you receive incentive funds from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10> in 2017-18 based on your portable support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
320	4,757	5,077	6%	94%	100%

**Q27 If yes, what type of incentive funds will you receive from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10> based on your portable support?**

Guarantee of additional year(s) of financial support				Guarantee of additional year(s) of financial support			
Additional cash award in first year of studies	Other (please specify)	Total		Additional cash award in first year of studies	Other (please specify)	Total	
122	122	34	278	44%	44%	12%	100%

**Q29 Will you receive financial support for Summer 2017 from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10>?**

Yes	No	Not sure	Total	Yes	No	Not sure	Total
1,516	3,190	1,149	5,855	26%	54%	20%	100%

**Q30 If Yes, did you include your Summer 2017 financial award in your overall support package from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10>?**

Yes	No	Not sure	Total	Yes	No	Not sure	Total
852	564	77	1,493	57%	38%	5%	100%

**Q33 Does support include multiple years?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
3,934	1,943	5,877	67%	33%	100%

**Q35 Will you have to use any of the total financial support of <Total Support from Q31>, or any other personal funds, to pay assessed fees and tuition (including health insurance) at <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10>?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
2,221	3,480	5,701	39%	61%	100%

**Q37 Does this mean that you personally will not have to pay any amount for fees or tuition (including health insurance) from the <Total Support from Q31> reported above or any other personal funds, and you will have the entire amount of <Total Support from Q31> to use for your total support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
3,105	323	3,428	91%	9%	100%

**Q38 Does this mean you will have <Total support from Q31 - \$ from Q36> available from your support for expenses other than fees and tuition?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
1,586	299	1,885	84%	16%	100%

**Q39 Does this mean you will have to pay <\$ from Q36 – Total support from Q31> for fees and tuition from a source other than your support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
166	107	273	61%	39%	100%

**\*Q41 Where will you obtain the funds to pay for your assessed fees and tuition (including health insurance)? Check all that apply**

	Selected
Student Loans	22
Personal Loans	9
Employment	21
Support from parents	27
Support from Spouse	4
Gift from Relative	3
Other (please specify):	12

**\*Q42 Where will you obtain the funds to pay for the portion of your fees and tuition not covered by the financial support you have described?**

	Selected
Student Loans	16
Personal Loans	8
Employment	34
Support from parents	30
Support from Spouse	9
Gift from Relative	3
Other (please specify):	16

**\*Q46 What awards, if any, will you receive that you can use at any school?**

	Selected
AASERT	0
Conacyt	8
DAAD	5
Department of Defence	8
Department of Energy	4
Department of Homeland Security	0
Ford	8
Fulbright	28
GAANN	1
Hertz	0
IBM	3
Javits	0
Mellon	10
NASA	7
NDSEG	7
NIH	8
NSF	193
Pew	3
STAR (EPA)	0
Host Country Government Fellowship	0
Other (please specify):	110

**Q48 Will you receive incentive funds from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16> in 2017-18 based on your portable support?**

	Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
	118	2,988	3,106	4%	96%	100%

**Q49 If yes, what type of incentive funds will you receive from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16> in 2017-18 based on your portable support?**

Guarantee of additional year(s) of financial support	Additional cash award in first year of studies	Other (please specify)	Total	Guarantee of additional year(s) of financial support	Additional cash award in first year of studies	Other (please specify)	Total
34	58	15	107	32%	54%	14%	100%

**Q51 Will you receive financial support for Summer 2017 from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16>?**

Yes	No	Not sure	Total	Yes	No	Not sure	Total
526	2,294	853	3,673	14%	62%	23%	100%

**Q52 If Yes, did you include your Summer 2017 financial award in your overall support package from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16>?**

Yes	No	Not sure	Total	Yes	No	Not sure	Total
305	190	19	514	59%	37%	4%	100%

**Q55 - Does support include multiple years?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
2,373	1,517	3,890	61%	39%	100%

**Q57 Will you have to use any of the total financial support of <Total Sum from Q53>, or any other personal funds, to pay assessed fees and tuition at <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16>?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
1,092	2,605	3,697	30%	70%	100%

**Q59 Does this mean that you personally will not have to pay any amount for fees or tuition (including health insurance) from the <Total Sum from Q53> reported above or any other personal funds, and you will have the entire amount of <Total Sum from Q53> to use for your total support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
2,197	362	2,559	86%	14%	100%

**Q60 Does this mean you will have <Total support from Q53 - \$ from Q58> available from your support for expenses other than fees and tuition?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
662	83	745	89%	11%	100%

**Q61 Does this mean you will have to pay <\$ from Q58 – Total support from Q53> for fees and tuition from a source other than your support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
204	103	307	66%	34%	100%

**\*Q63 Where will you obtain the funds to pay for your assessed fees and tuition? Check all that apply**

	Selected
Student Loans	58
Personal Loans	27
Employment	52
Support from parents	58
Support from Spouse	8
Gift from Relative	4
Other (please specify):	18

**\*Q64 Where will you obtain the funds to pay for the portion of your fees and tuition not covered by the financial support you have described?**

	Selected
Student Loans	23
Personal Loans	9
Employment	24
Support from parents	23
Support from Spouse	3
Gift from Relative	1
Other (please specify):	6

**Q65 Please tell us how important the following factors were in your decision about which graduate school to attend.**

	Very important	Somewhat Important	Not important	Total	Very important	Somewhat Important	Not important	Total
Graduate Program has a very good reputation	3,984	1,172	40	5,196	77%	23%	1%	100%
Program has desired areas of specialization matching my research interest	4,899	287	10	5,196	94%	6%	0%	100%
Program offers opportunity to work with particular faculty member(s)	3,829	1,225	133	5,187	74%	24%	3%	100%
Contact with program faculty during recruiting process	2,890	1,875	415	5,180	56%	36%	8%	100%
Contact with program staff during recruiting process	1,175	2,518	1,480	5,173	23%	49%	29%	100%
Contact with program students during recruiting process	1,981	2,290	910	5,181	38%	44%	18%	100%
Amount of financial support offer	3,106	1,844	236	5,186	60%	36%	5%	100%
Type of financial support offered (e.g. fellowship vs. TA)	2,372	2,245	561	5,178	46%	43%	11%	100%
Multi-year support offer	3,864	1,106	211	5,181	75%	21%	4%	100%
Location of campus	2,645	2,017	521	5,183	51%	39%	10%	100%
Size of program	1,139	2,792	1,245	5,176	22%	54%	24%	100%
Program's job placement rates	2,459	2,127	592	5,178	47%	41%	11%	100%
Ability to complete degree in a reasonable amount of time	3,064	1,874	242	5,180	59%	36%	5%	100%
Presence of a diverse graduate student body	2,094	2,186	901	5,181	40%	42%	17%	100%
Presence of a diverse faculty	2,189	2,140	852	5,181	42%	41%	16%	100%
Local Cost of Living	1,660	2,866	656	5,182	32%	55%	13%	100%
Availability of affordable housing	2,170	2,454	548	5,172	42%	47%	11%	100%
Affordability of tuition and fee levels	2,452	1,932	794	5,178	47%	37%	15%	100%
Guaranteed campus housing	957	1,813	2,408	5,178	18%	35%	47%	100%
Availability of childcare	344	603	4,224	5,171	7%	12%	82%	100%
Program offered a caring and friendly environment	3,036	1,718	424	5,178	59%	33%	8%	100%
High quality research facilities (libraries, labs, etc)	3,982	1,076	123	5,181	77%	21%	2%	100%

**Q67 Please rate <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10> on each of the factors that influenced your decision.**

	Above		Below		N/A	Total	Above		Below		N/A	Total
	average	Average	average				average	Average	average			
Reputation	3,921	1,081	68	43	5,113	77%	21%	1%	1%	100%		
Matches my research interest	4,444	652	28	11	5,135	87%	13%	1%	0%	100%		
Quality of faculty in my program	4,552	560	13	18	5,143	89%	11%	0%	0%	100%		
Contact with program faculty during recruiting	3,361	1,312	226	237	5,136	65%	26%	4%	5%	100%		
Contact with program staff during recruiting process	2,205	1,980	415	535	5,135	43%	39%	8%	10%	100%		
Contact with program students during recruiting process	2,413	1,751	424	544	5,132	47%	34%	8%	11%	100%		
Financial Support	2,776	1,841	441	71	5,129	54%	36%	9%	1%	100%		
Types of financial support offered	2,514	2,060	365	190	5,129	49%	40%	7%	4%	100%		
Multi-year offer	2,829	1,709	321	270	5,129	55%	33%	6%	5%	100%		
PLocation suits me	3,322	1,337	380	87	5,126	65%	26%	7%	2%	100%		
Size of program suits me	2,362	2,270	203	299	5,134	46%	44%	4%	6%	100%		
Program's job placement	2,495	2,026	143	468	5,132	49%	39%	3%	9%	100%		
Time to degree	1,784	2,894	227	227	5,132	35%	56%	4%	4%	100%		
Diversity of students	2,017	2,320	390	400	5,127	39%	45%	8%	8%	100%		
Diversity of faculty	2,034	2,404	338	353	5,129	40%	47%	7%	7%	100%		
Availability of affordable housing	1,565	1,702	1,558	311	5,136	30%	33%	30%	6%	100%		
Availability of childcare	450	837	250	3,583	5,120	9%	16%	5%	70%	100%		
Affordability of tuition and fee levels	1,716	2,078	336	987	5,117	34%	41%	7%	19%	100%		
Program offered a caring and friendly environment	3,197	1,589	110	237	5,133	62%	31%	2%	5%	100%		
Quality of research facilities	3,667	1,266	62	136	5,131	71%	25%	1%	3%	100%		



**Q69 Please rate <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16> on each of the factors that influenced your decision.**

	Above		Below		N/A	Total	Above		Below		N/A	Total
	average	Average	average				average	Average	average			
Reputation	2,415	1,310	163	84	3,972	61%	33%	4%	2%	100%		
Matches my research interest	2,067	1,508	334	79	3,988	52%	38%	8%	2%	100%		
Quality of faculty in my program	2,648	1,152	97	87	3,984	66%	29%	2%	2%	100%		
Contact with program faculty during recruiting	1,871	1,271	562	281	3,985	47%	32%	14%	7%	100%		
Contact with program staff during recruiting process	1,137	1,682	619	544	3,982	29%	42%	16%	14%	100%		
Contact with program students during recruiting process	1,225	1,471	694	588	3,978	31%	37%	17%	15%	100%		
Financial Support	1,346	1,596	836	203	3,981	34%	40%	21%	5%	100%		
Types of financial support offered	1,165	1,809	680	325	3,979	29%	45%	17%	8%	100%		
Multi-year offer	1,407	1,649	549	369	3,974	35%	41%	14%	9%	100%		
Location suits me	1,450	1,421	950	155	3,976	36%	36%	24%	4%	100%		
Size of program suits me	1,139	2,121	399	318	3,977	29%	53%	10%	8%	100%		
Program's job placement	1,410	1,913	265	389	3,977	35%	48%	7%	10%	100%		
Time to degree	1,075	2,402	242	254	3,973	27%	60%	6%	6%	100%		
Diversity of students	1,224	1,871	425	455	3,975	31%	47%	11%	11%	100%		
Diversity of faculty	1,180	2,042	340	414	3,976	30%	51%	9%	10%	100%		
Availability of affordable housing	1,144	1,354	1,096	381	3,975	29%	34%	28%	10%	100%		
Availability of childcare	234	687	159	2,888	3,968	6%	17%	4%	73%	100%		
Affordability of tuition and fee levels	903	1,756	454	861	3,974	23%	44%	11%	22%	100%		
Program offered a caring and friendly environment	1,623	1,707	277	370	3,977	41%	43%	7%	9%	100%		
Quality of research facilities	2,079	1,518	119	263	3,979	52%	38%	3%	7%	100%		

**\*Q71 Including <UC school named in Q9 and Q16>, which UC campuses accepted you**

	Selected
UC Berkeley	845
UC Riverside	589
UC Davis	459
UC San Diego	641
UC Irvine	66
UC San Francisco	299
UC Los Angeles	713
UC Santa Barbara	139
UC Merced	437
UC Santa Cruz	243

**Q75 Did you visit <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10>?**

	Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
	4,136	1,028	5,164	80%	20%	100%

**Q76 How would you describe your likely housing needs at <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10>?**

For myself only	For myself and another adult	For myself, another adult and child /children	For myself and my child /children	Other	Total
3,573	1,304	166	14	95	5,152
69%	25%	3%	0%	2%	100%

**Q77 Did your offer from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10> guarantee university housing for you?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
1,616	3,531	5,147	31%	69%	100%

**Q78 Did your offer from <UC/Non-UC school from Q9/Q10> include any housing subsidy or support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
568	4,573	5,141	11%	89%	100%

**Q80 If Yes, did you include this amount in the financial aid described in earlier questions?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
334	176	510	65%	35%	100%

**Q81 Did you visit <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16>?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
2,574	1,515	4,089	63%	37%	100%

**Q82 How would you describe your likely housing needs at <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16>?**

For myself only	For myself and another adult	For myself, another adult and child /children	For myself and my child /children	Other	Total
2,996	820	106	9	52	3,983
75%	21%	3%	0%	1%	100%

**Q83 Did your offer from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16> guarantee housing for you?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
698	3,282	3,980	18%	82%	100%

**Q84 Did your offer from <UC/Non-UC school from Q15/Q16> include any housing subsidy or support?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
325	3,658	3,983	8%	92%	100%

**Q86 If Yes, did you include this amount in the financial aid described in earlier questions?**

Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
169	106	275	61%	39%	100%

**\*Q87 Are there any changes in your financial support offer from <first choice of UC if enrolling outside UC> that would have resulted in your enrollment?**

	Selected
None	1,042
Offer more fellowship/scholarship/grant/traineeship	643
Offer more RA money	301
Offer more TA money	232
Offer a multi-year package	247
Other (please specify)	98

\* Note: Percentage distribution is not calculated for multiple selection questions