

Information Regarding Rackham Cost-sharing on F30 Grants

What is Rackham Cost-sharing?

Cost-sharing provided by Rackham accounts for the fact that the amount funded by an NIH F30 is less than the student's total tuition, Gradcare and dental costs. Rackham will help pay for the difference. This will be important for your lab's funding.

How much will Rackham cover?

Generally, those on a F30 fall in the "Group 2" Costshare which requires a 50/50 split between Rackham and your PhD mentor/program.

How do you arrange Rackham cost-sharing when you are submitting your F30 grant application?

Your PhD program grants administrator fills out a PAF. Rackham's current policy for cost-sharing requires that information regarding the cost-sharing commitment be included on the PAF prior to submission of your F30 to the sponsor. ORSP will then obtain Rackham's approval for this commitment through the PAF system. Please contact Yvonne Bidwell (yymm@umich.edu) for language to be included in the PAF to ensure funding. This information is also on Rackham's website:

http://www.rackham.umich.edu/funding/cost_sharing/

To ensure a timely submission of your PAF, be sure to allow a 2-3 day lead time for Rackham's approval. You or your grants administrator will need to attach a budget in the attachment section of the PAF.

What is the mechanism to collect the Rackham shortfall reimbursement at the end of each award period of your F30?

Rackham will provide 50% shortfall between the award allowance and the costs of actual tuition, health insurance and dental (opt.1) shortfall for this award during terms when you are registered as a Rackham student. (Rackham generally will not pay shortfall toward the stipend.) Your Ph.D. mentor/program will first pay 100% of your expenses. You must then request a reimbursement for Rackham's 50%. In order to be reimbursed for Rackham's commitment, please provide the Rackham Cost Share Shortfall Request form at the end of each award period. Please contact Rackham Budget and Accounts, rackham.budget@umich.edu for the most current form.

For questions you can email Doug Keasal (dkeasal@umich.edu), Senior Fellowships Officer at Rackham.