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TO: Associate Deans and Directors for Graduate Programs

FR: Graduate School

RE: Research Assistant Tuition Remission and Grant Overhead Return

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Effective January 1, 2009, the Office of Research, the Council of Deans, and the Graduate School implemented a new practice regarding the funding of tuition remission for Research Assistants on externally-sponsored projects. The Graduate School ***will only provide*** tuition remission for Research Assistants for grants that provide 50% (i.e., 'full') overhead return to the University. The Graduate School ***will no longer be able to provide*** tuition remission for Research Assistants for externally-sponsored projects with less than full overhead return, such as Research 2 grants (38% overhead return) and off-campus grants (26% overhead return). The Graduate School will honor current tuition remission obligations for Research Assistant positions for externally-sponsored projects that are currently funded or for funding with a SPAF signed before January 1, 2009.