

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduate Incentive First-time Tuition (G.I.F.T.) Grant
Spring 2010

The "Graduate Incentive First-time Tuition Grant" is offered to encourage individuals with a bachelor's degree to experience graduate education. This one-time grant, valued at \$250, is available to those who have no previous experience with graduate work and have not applied to or been admitted to a graduate degree program. This incentive grant offer is for spring 2010 enrollment of new post-baccalaureate students.

Post-baccalaureate Students Criteria

To qualify for the GIFT program students must:

- * Have a baccalaureate degree from any college or university.
- * Have not previously taken or be currently enrolled in any post-baccalaureate course at any university.
- * Have not applied for admission to a graduate degree program.
- * Be a citizen or a permanent resident of the U.S.
- * Complete a course enrollment form for admission as a post-baccalaureate student. (No admission fee will be charged.)

- * Meet the GIFT program application deadline of January 15, 2010, and register for one three-hour course.

- * Have met all pre-requisite requirements for the course of registration.

** Courses in professional health programs (Physician Assistant Studies, Physical Therapy, Nurse Anesthesia, Doctorate of Audiology, Communication Science and Disorders and Family Nurse Practitioner) are not eligible for this program. Courses in the Accountancy program and in the Defense and Strategic Studies program also are not eligible for the GIFT program.*

This is a program applicable to the spring 2010 semester. Students are free to take more than a single three-credit course. The award will be applied to payment of student fees and is not a cash award. Students in a post-baccalaureate classification are generally not eligible for federal or state financial aid. A student who wants to continue graduate work beyond this program will need to apply for admission and meet the criteria of the graduate program they intend to enter.

Students interested in applying for this grant should contact the Office of Adult Student Services at 417-836-6929, Carrington Hall, Room 314, 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897. That office will provide assistance and guidance regarding the Post-Baccalaureate Admission and Course Enrollment process, academic advisement, and other services that those new to Missouri State graduate education may be interested. The deadline is January 15, 2010.

Graduate Incentive First-time Tuition Grant Application

I certify that I meet the criteria for this grant outlined above and I am completing a Post-baccalaureate Course Enrollment Form to enroll in my first graduate course.

Name _____ Student Number: _____

Bachelor's Degree from _____ Date of Bachelor's Degree: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Contact Information: Phone Number _____ Email: _____