Rules for Bernard Revel Scholarships and Fellowships

Promising students at the Bernard Revel Graduate School are typically granted scholarships (i.e., full or partial tuition remission) and, in the case of doctoral students, fellowships (i.e., a stipend), in order to ease the financial burden and enable them to devote full effort to their graduate studies. Below are some rules guiding these awards. For a fuller account of the rules and procedures governing the academic programs, please consult the BRGSJS website at www.yu.edu/revel.

MA Scholarships

1. As of the summer 2021 semester, tuition per credit at BRGS will be $1,165, which is the amount Revel is charged by Yeshiva University. In other words, Revel effectively pays $34,950 (= $1,165 x 30 credits) out of its scholarship funds for a student taking all of his or her courses on a full tuition scholarship.

2. Only the ten courses needed to fulfill the MA degree requirements are covered by a tuition scholarship. Students wishing to take additional courses are required to pay full tuition. The first semester of Masters Research (Masters Research I) does not generate a charge beyond the registration fee. Masters Research II generates a one credit charge that is not covered by scholarship assistance. Registration in a Masters Research course is necessary to maintain active status for students who are not enrolled in a regular course.

3. Scholarships are awarded only for courses completed successfully. A student may withdraw from a course without financial penalty until the “last day to drop a course without a W” indicated on the academic calendar. But once that deadline passes, Revel is charged fully for the course and the student will be charged accordingly. The student will also be charged for any course in which he or she does not receive a passing grade.

4. In receiving a partial or full tuition scholarship, a student accepts the obligation to complete all of his or her Revel courses either by the end of the semester in which the course was taken, or, with the instructor’s permission, no later than a semester and summer after that semester. Any further extension requires the permission of both the instructor and the dean.

5. Generally speaking, scholarship recipients may not accept outside employment for more than twelve hours per week. Requests for exceptions must be submitted to the Dean or Associate Dean.
PhD Fellowships and Scholarships

The rules governing PhD fellowships and scholarships are similar to the guidelines for MA students, with the following major differences:

1. PhD fellowships and scholarships are generally awarded on a multi-year basis.

2. Once doctoral students complete their coursework, they register for Doctoral Research and Doctoral Planning and continue to be considered full-time students.

3. Recipients of PhD fellowships may accept outside employment only with permission from the Dean.

4. Upon completion of coursework other than Doctoral Research and Planning, PhD fellowship recipients may be required to fulfill modest academic responsibilities at Yeshiva University, such as serving as a TA (teacher’s assistant) or Instructor in a college course.

Foreign students may receive tuition scholarships but not fellowships unless they have a United States Social Security Number.