

# Funding Graduate and Professional Students

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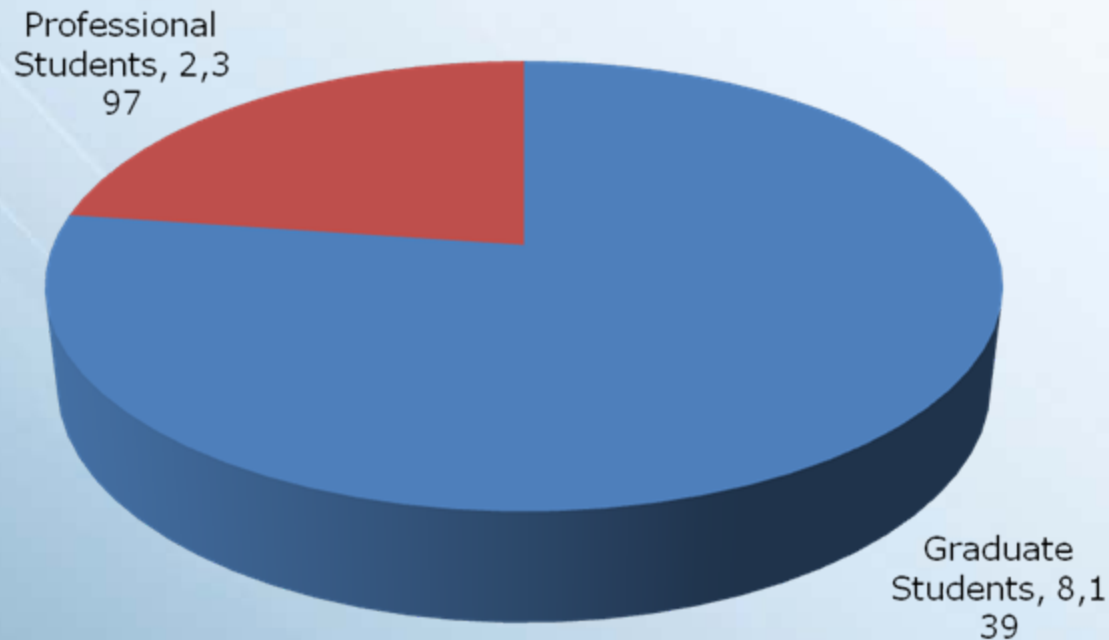
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# Outline

- Overview of graduate and professional student distributions
- Overview of financial support provided to graduate and professional students
- Financial support for professional students
  - Funding the 'typical' professional student
- Financial support for graduate students
  - Funding the 'typical' graduate student
- Funding to graduate students by source
- Challenges for the future



# Graduate and Professional Students at UNC-Chapel Hill



Total Graduate/Professional Students = 10,536  
[Fall 2008]



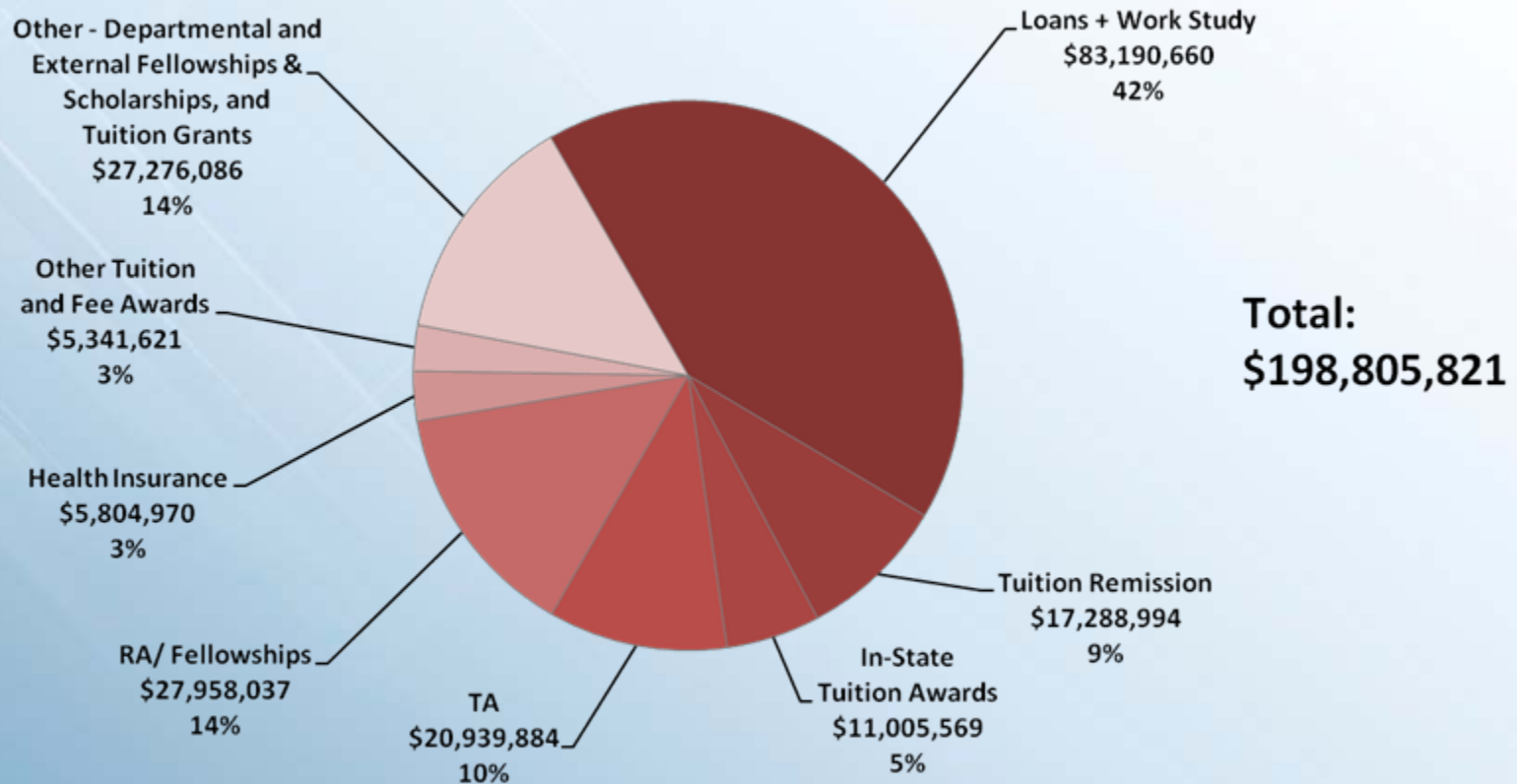
# Financial Support Available

- Non-service based stipends
  - Fellowship stipends
  - Traineeships
- Service-based stipends
  - Teaching assistantships
  - Research assistantships
  - Graduate assistantships
- Tuition support
  - Tuition remission
  - In-state tuition awards
- Need-based financial aid (loans & work study)
- Health insurance



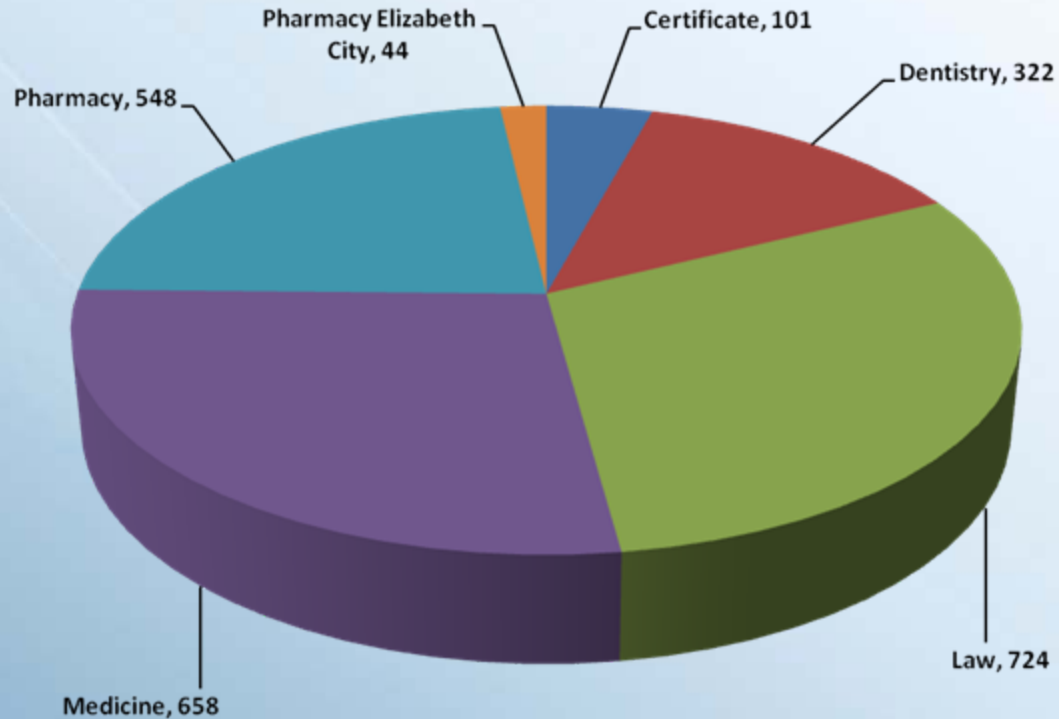
# Composite of all Sources Disbursed to Graduate and Professional Students (2007-08)

Source: Student Aid Accounting and Reporting System (StARS)



**Notes:**  
Includes disbursements to students in graduate and professional programs in Academic Affairs and Health Affairs.  
Other Tuition & Fee Awards includes tuition awards for students not eligible for Tuition Remission or Instate Awards, and fee payments  
Other includes Graduate School fellowships, departmental & external fellowships & scholarships, and tuition grants from the Office of Scholarships & Student Aid  
Health Insurance amount was calculated for eligible students using an annual insurance premium rate of \$1,790.

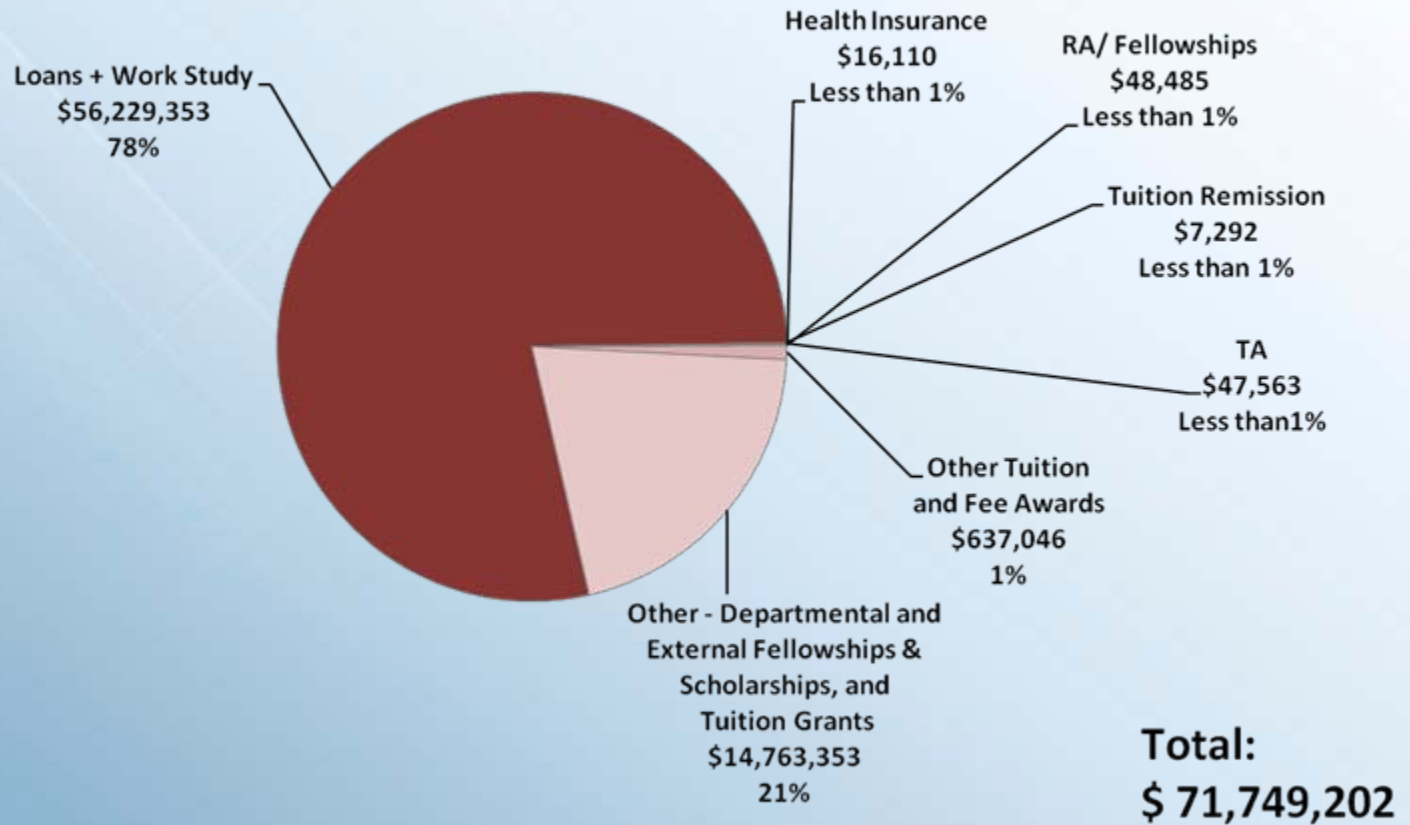
# Professional Student Distribution



Total Professional Students = 2,397  
[Fall 2008]



# All Sources Disbursed to Professional Students





# Funding a Professional Student

## Costs for a Law School student:

### NC Resident

- Tuition/fees \$15,040
- Books/supplies \$1,000
- Living Expenses \$12,602
- Travel \$1,484
- Miscellaneous \$2,706

### Nonresident

- Tuition/fees \$27,858
- Books/supplies \$1,000
- Living Exp. \$12,602
- Travel \$1,484
- Miscellaneous \$2,706

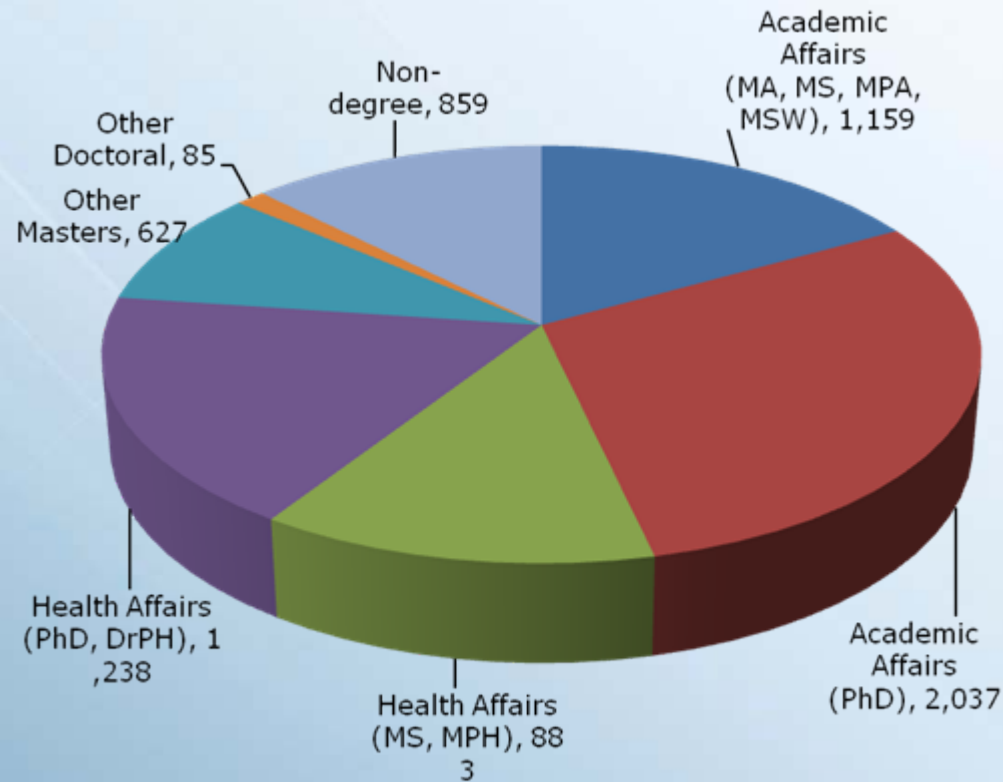
Median scholarship = \$2700 (no stipends or tuition remissions)

Average amount borrowed at graduation = \$56,776



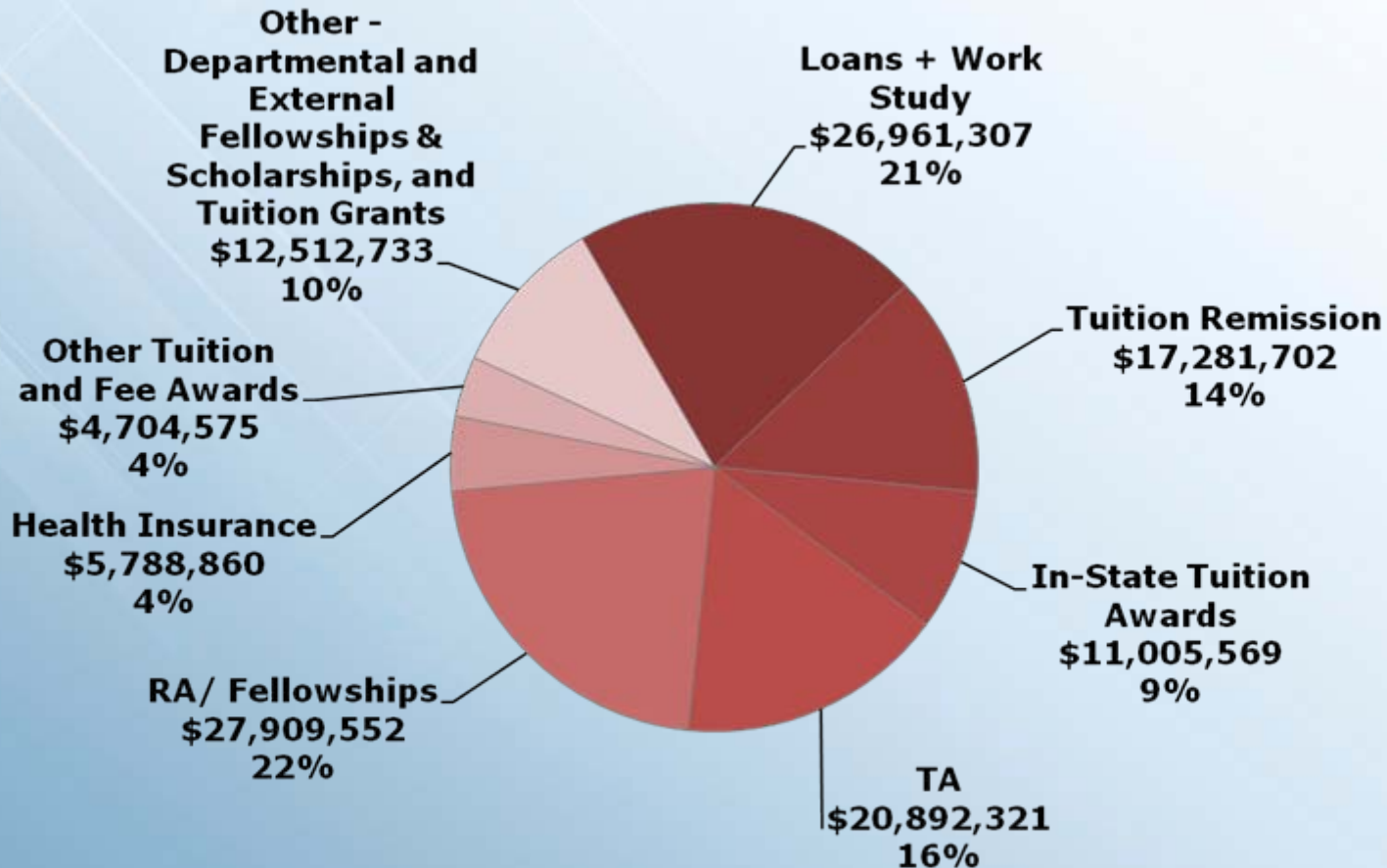


# Graduate Student Distribution



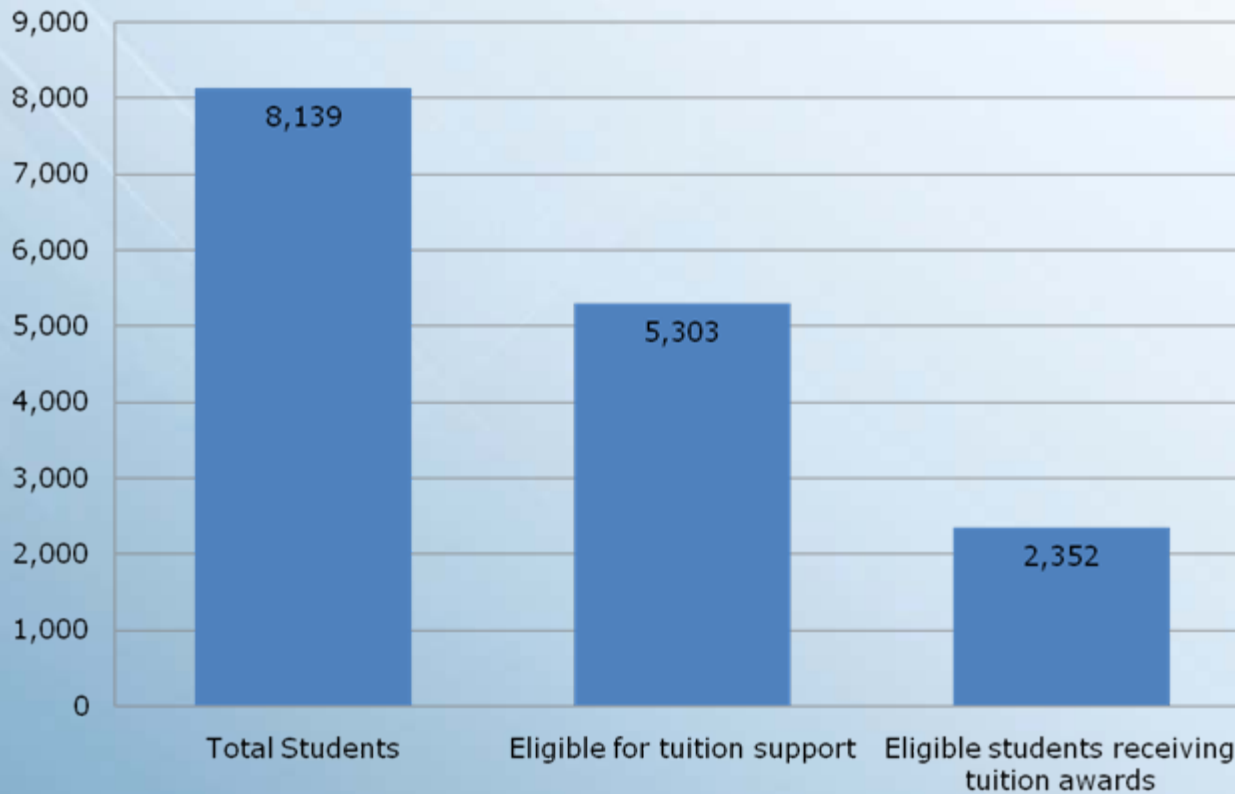
Total full time, on campus Graduate Students = 5,317  
[Fall 2008]

# All Sources Disbursed to Graduate Students



Total: \$ 127,056,619

# Insufficient Tuition Remission



# Funding a 'typical' PhD student

- Tuition remission and in-state award
  - In-state \$5,013, out of state \$19,411
- TA/RA \$14,700 (9-month minimum)
  - Some programs provide more than minimum
  - Some programs provide summer support
- Health insurance \$1,790
- Average loan \$2,300
- Fees \$1,680/year (not paid for most students)

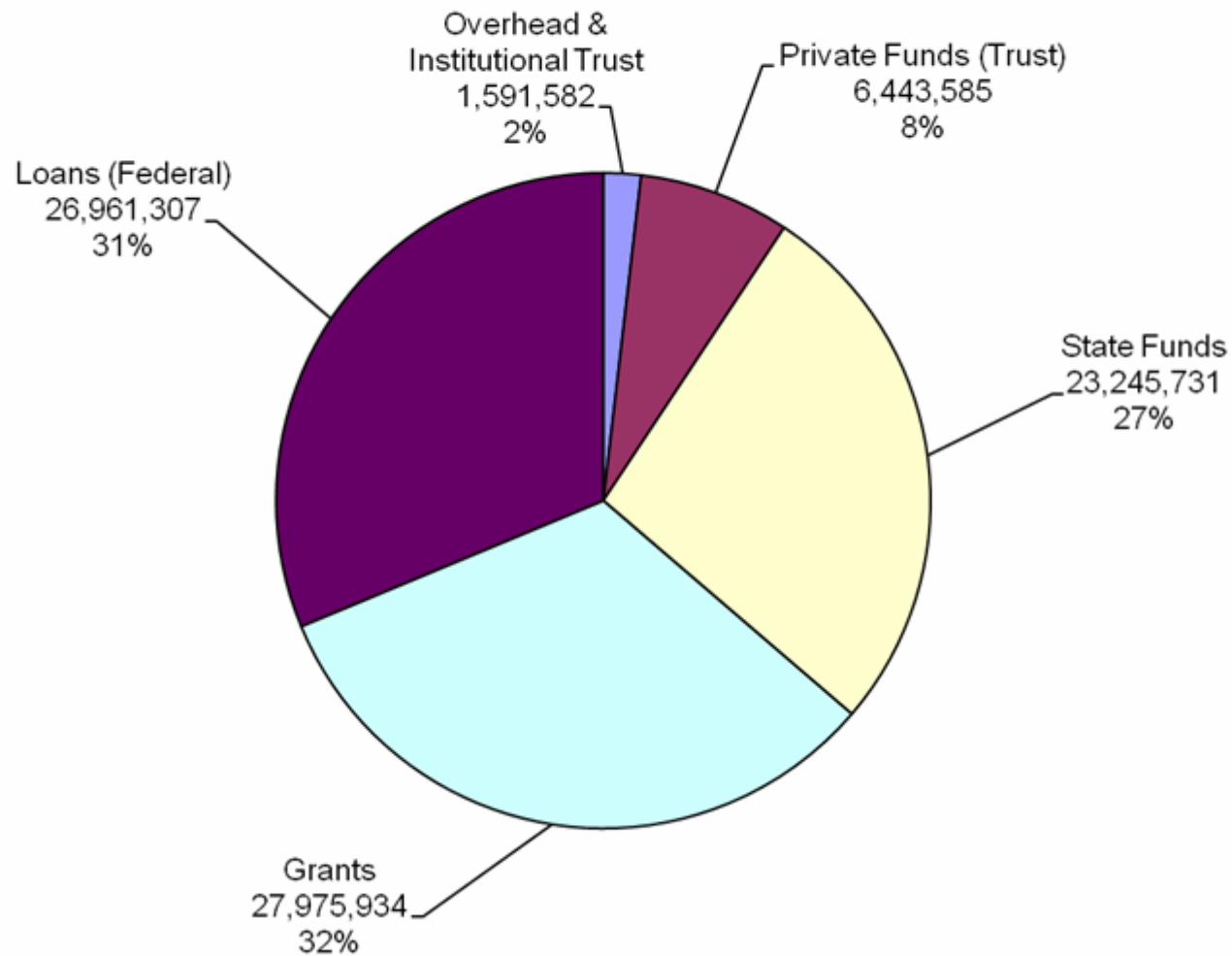


# Funding a 'typical' Masters student

- Tuition remission and in-state award
  - In-state \$5,013, out of state \$19,411
- TA/RA \$10,000 (9-month minimum)
  - Some programs provide more than minimum
  - Some programs provide summer support
- Health insurance \$1,790
- Average loan \$5,200 -- \$10,800
- Fees \$1,680/year (not paid for most students)



## ***Funding Sources by Type of Funds for Graduate Students (2007-08)***



# Challenges for the future

- Tuition remission budget is not sufficient to cover all eligible students
- Low number of non-service fellowships is a disadvantage in recruiting students
  - Lengthens time to degree
- Increase our private support of graduate education

