



The Living Environment

Nestled at the foot of the Smoky Mountains and built along the Tennessee River, Knoxville in recent years has ranked high on national surveys of livable cities. The climate is temperate, the cost of living is relatively low compared to that of other metropolitan areas, and the surrounding environs are breathtaking. Many residents are quick to point out that Knoxville has the ambiance and security of small-town life while also providing many of the amenities of big city life such as a symphony, opera and ballet companies, museums, a thriving art and entertainment scene, etc. Housing is affordable and available. You can live a quality life here.

Additional Resources

The University of Tennessee offers a multitude of other opportunities to enrich your graduate experience. The new Black Cultural Center, the Center for International Education, the Women’s Center, and Career Services all provide programs and services for graduate students. Through the Graduate Student Association, students participate in governance on campus. A new initiative this year on campus is the Dean’s Colloquy, a meeting of select graduate students chosen from all disciplines to share opinions about a common book. This year’s discussion addresses issues of race, class distinctions, culture shock, the promise of higher education, and the sometimes conflicted relationship of religious faith and academic pursuits.

The campus life here is rich, invigorating, and intellectually challenging. We urge you to visit the campus and see for yourself the particular opportunities the University of Tennessee has to offer you. Review the UT Graduate Catalog and visit our Graduate School Web page at <http://web.utk.edu/~gsinfo>. We hope that your next important decision will be to choose the University of Tennessee for your graduate studies.

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The University

Located in the center of Knoxville, the University of Tennessee is the state's public land-grant institution and Carnegie One Research Extensive University.

The University offers master's degrees in 76 fields, doctoral degrees in 44 fields, the Educational Specialist degree, two professional programs, and several graduate certificate programs. Approximately 6000 graduate and professional students are enrolled on and off campus. The current instructional and research faculty totals approximately 1500.

Crucial to the success of the University's students is the John C. Hodges Library, located on the main campus. The John C. Hodges Library owns over two million volumes and subscribes to more than 13,300 periodicals and serials. The Hodges Library holdings are supplemented with those of the Agriculture-Veterinary Medicine Library, the Map Library, the Music Library, the Law Library, the Social Work Library (in Nashville), and Special Collections.

Graduate students enjoy some special privileges at the University of Tennessee Libraries, including a longer loan period for books and delivery of books and photocopied articles to departmental offices. At the John C. Hodges Main Library, graduate students may reserve a study carrel to hold materials for thesis/dissertation research and use a computer lab set aside for use only by graduate students. Graduate Teaching Associates may request library instruction for their classes, reserve viewing rooms in the Media Center, place materials on Reserve, and digitize teaching materials in the Digital Media Center. Other services of interest include online reference service and interlibrary loan requests, research consultation with a subject specialist, a digital media production lab, and on-line connection with and borrowing privileges at a consortium of major southern universities.

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Financial Support

Equally crucial for many prospective graduate students is financial support available in the form of graduate assistantships. The University of Tennessee currently provides around 1900 full- and part-time assistantships for its graduate students. All assistantships provide a waiver of most fees and a stipend that is competitive with those offered at other major public research institutions. Assistantships also carry with them the benefit of health insurance entirely paid for by the University. Through assistantships, graduate students acquire valuable teacher training, have the opportunity to work closely with faculty on major research projects, or gain experience in administration. All types of assistantships help fulfill the student's goal of attaining the advanced degree he or she desires. So, too, do the many departmental and university-wide fellowships for which prospective graduate students can apply or for which they may be nominated by their department or unit.



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YOU have already made one of the most important decisions in your life

by choosing to pursue graduate study. No doubt by this point you will have also investigated the academic program at the University of Tennessee in which you are interested.

Still wondering what the University and Knoxville have to offer YOU?

