Call for Nominations – 2021/2022 Academic Year
OGE Out-of-State-Tuition Waivers for Outstanding International Students

The Office of Global Engagement has been allocated a limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers for use by outstanding international students. We invite nominations from unit heads (Deans, Directors, or Department Heads) or their authorized representatives on behalf of outstanding international students for receipt of these waiver awards for the 2021-22 academic year. Details regarding the nomination process and eligibility are outlined below.

Eligibility

- Students must be bona-fide international students (non-U.S. citizens or non-U.S. permanent residents), enrolling or enrolled in a full-time degree-seeking course of study at UGA
- Undergraduate or graduate students are eligible.
  - Current undergraduate students - possess and maintain a 3.0 GPA.
  - Current graduate students must possess and maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA for the duration of the award.
  - LLM students may show GPA specific to relevant coursework, rather than over-all GPA
  - Newly admitted graduate student nominees who have been accepted for admission in Fall 2019 should have a minimum 3.30 undergraduate GPA, or a 3.50 graduate GPA, if grad work has been completed elsewhere.
  - International students at UGA who are undergraduates at their home institution but admitted as graduate students at UGA may meet the minimum GPA of 3.0 instead of the posted GPA of 3.3 for graduate students only if they have earned no prior graduate credit.
  - Returning international students with grades of Incomplete (I) or Unsatisfactory (U) in courses taken at UGA are not eligible for this waiver.
  - F-1 students in their final term of study who are approved for a reduced course load may continue to receive an approved waiver.
- Current students as well as recently admitted students are both eligible.
- Waivers may be applied in the summer term as well, if requested.

Nomination Process

Unit heads (Deans, Directors or Department Heads), or their appointed representatives (such as graduate coordinators; business managers, etc...) may nominate outstanding international
students, undergraduate or graduate, who are currently enrolled or enrolling in degree programs within the college. **No department should nominate more than three students, and each nomination must be ranked 1, 2 or 3.** If you need to nominate more than 3 students, please contact Robin Catmur-Smith directly (rcatmur@uga.edu). The Department Head or Dean will receive an email asking them to confirm support for the nomination. This confirmation must be submitted or the nomination will not be reviewed.

- Nominations will be accepted between January 7th, 2021 and April 7th, 2020, and reviewed by the waiver committee in OGE
- Notifications as to approvals / denials of waivers will be issued by the end of April. Notifications for initial admitted students can be issued earlier than April, depending on the department and the academic status of the student.
- If a student currently approved for a waiver, changes graduation plans and needs to extend their academic program, be sure to alert us to the need for an extension of the waiver.
- Questions may be referred to Robin Catmur-Smith: rcatmur@uga.edu

**Online Request Process:**

The department representative must have approved access to Compass, our online portal in order to access and submit a nomination. Access request Instructions are below.

Log in to Compass once you are approved (usually within one business day), using your UGA MyID. Under “Departmental Services” in the left-hand menu, select the OGE tuition waiver nomination form. Complete and submit the form.

**If you are interested in nominating a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident graduate student, please contact Olivia Myers in the Graduate School: olmyers1@uga.edu**

**Instructions on accessing OGE – COMPASS online portal**

- Navigate your browser to [http://compass.uga.edu](http://compass.uga.edu)
- Login using your UGA MyID and password
- If you are not yet an approved Compass user, you will be prompted to request an account.
- Select your type of user as “Department”
- Click “Request Account”

Once approved for access (usually within one business day), you will receive an email confirming your access and providing further instructions. You may then login to the Compass portal to nominate students. To do this, follow these steps:

- Open your web browser and go to [https://compass.uga.edu](https://compass.uga.edu).
- Under “Departmental Services”, you will see two sections: Lists, and Tasks
- Under Tasks, click on the box labelled “OGE Out-of-State Tuition Waiver Nomination”
- Fill out all the fields on the request form, and submit.