In the 2017-2018 Graduate Placement Survey, we find that the overwhelming majority of incoming political science doctoral students were offered full-funding, with 17 in 20 students receiving 5 to 6 years of funding at program start.

Funding varied by National Research Council (NRC) ranking quintiles. Students entering programs in the first quintile were offered full funding 100% of the time. With exception of moving from the third to fourth quintiles, the proportion of students being offered partial or no funding increases moving down each quintile.

While students underrepresented racial and ethnic minorities were offered full funding more often than the overall proportion, (90% compared to 86%) African-American political science PhD students were offered full funding lower than average (80%).

All data presented are from the 2017-18 APSA Graduate Placement Survey. For more information and further discussion, please read the 2017-18 Incoming Students Report.