§ 2400.54 Use of stipend.

Stipends shall be used only to pay the costs of tuition, required fees, books, room, and board associated with graduate study under a fellowship. The costs allowed for a Fellow's room and board will be the amount the Fellow's university reports to the Foundation as the cost of room and board for a graduate student if that student were to share a room at the student's university. If no shared graduate housing exists, then costs for regular shared student housing will be used. If no campus housing exists, the equivalent room and board costs at neighboring universities will be used. Stipends for room, board, and books will be prorated for Fellows enrolled in study less than full time. The Foundation will not reimburse Fellows for any portion of their master's degree study, that Fellows may have completed prior to the commencement of their fellowships. Nor will the Foundation reimburse Fellows for any credits acquired above the minimum number of credits required for the degree. If a Fellow has already taken and paid for courses that can be credited toward the Fellow's graduate degree under a fellowship, those must be credited to the degree; the remaining required courses will be paid for by the Foundation.

§ 2400.55 Certification for stipend.

In order to receive a fellowship stipend, a Fellow must submit the following nine items in writing:

- (a) An acceptance of the terms and conditions of the fellowship including a completed certificate of compliance form;
- (b) Evidence of admission to an approved graduate program;
- (c) Certified copies of undergraduate and, if any, graduate transcripts;
- (d) A certified payment request form indicating the estimated costs for tuition, required fees, books, room, and board:
- (e) a photo copy of the university's bulletin of cost information;
- (f) The amount and nature of income from any other grants or awards;
- (g) information about the Fellow's degree requirements, including the number of required credits to fulfill the degree;

- (h) a statement of the university's willingness to accept the transfer of 6 credits toward the Fellow's degree requirements for the Fellow's satisfactory completion of the Summer Institute (see § 2400. 51); and
- (i) A full Plan of Study over the duration of the fellowship, including information on the contents of required constitutional courses. Senior Fellows must provide evidence of their continued full-time employment as teachers in grades 7–12.

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§ 2400.56 Payment of stipend.

Payment for tuition, required fees, books, room, and board subject to the limitations in §§ 2400.52 through 2400.55 and §§ 2400.59 through 2400.60 will be paid via Electronic Funds Transfer to each Fellow at the beginning of each term of enrollment and upon the Fellow's submission of a completed Payment Request Form which includes the current University bulletin of cost information.

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§ 2400.57 Termination of stipend.

- (a) The Foundation may suspend or terminate the payment of a stipend if a Fellow fails to meet the criteria set forth in §2400.40 through §2400.44 and §2400.60, except as provided for in §2400.61. Before it suspends or terminates a fellowship under these circumstances, the Foundation will give notice to the Fellow, as well as the opportunity to be heard with respect to the grounds for suspension or termination.
- (b) The Foundation will normally suspend the payment of a stipend if a Fellow has more than one grade of "Incomplete" in courses for which the Foundation has made payment to the Fellow.

§ 2400.58 Repayment of stipend.

(a) If a Fellow fails to secure a master's degree, fails to teach American history, American government, social studies, or political science on a full-time basis in a secondary school for at least one school year for each academic year for which assistance was provided