# **GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

## **FINANCIAL AID**

### **Sources of Assistance**

The primary type of aid that is available to graduate students is in the form of federal student loans.

Marietta College Grant money is not available to graduate students. Endowed and gift scholarships are available on a very limited basis.

Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans are available to students through Marietta College's Direct Loan Program regardless of need, but require the student to pay interest charged while enrolled and during the six-month grace period. An origination fee and guarantee premium are charged by the lender at the time each loan is made. Repayment of Stafford Loans begins six months after the student graduates or ceases to be enrolled at least half time. Thereafter, simple interest is charged and regular monthly payments of not less than \$50 are required. Graduate PLUS loans are also available.

## **Application Process**

To apply for assistance through the federal financial aid program, students must submit to the federal processor the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is available in January on the internet at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Since summer term is considered to be the end of our financial aid year, students who intend to begin their graduate program in the summer need to be sure that Marietta College receives the FAFSA results for both the current and the next academic year. If a student has already completed a FAFSA for the current academic year he or she simply needs to make sure that Marietta College has received that information.

To be considered for assistance, students must be citizens of the United States and must be formally admitted to one of the College's degree programs. Each male student must also document compliance with Selective Service Administration regulations.

#### **Renewal of Aid**

Eligibility for need-based assistance is determined by the result of an analysis of information provided each year to the College through the FAFSA. Eligibility for and level of assistance can vary from year to year as a result of factors such as changes in family circumstances and revisions in federal laws and regulations. Additional factors include maintaining satisfactory academic progress.

To receive federal assistance, a student may not be in default on a National Defense/Direct Student Loan (NDSL), Perkins Loan, Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL), Stafford Loan, Supplemental Loan for Students (SLS), Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS), or any other federal loan program. Additionally, a student must not owe a refund on a Pell Grant, a Supplemental

Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG), a State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG), or any other Title IV Program at any college, university, or post-secondary institution.