### Additional Considerations to Increase the Cost of Attendance

Students must request these additional considerations in writing.

**Federal Student Loan Programs** (i.e. Graduate PLUS Loan) may be used for the following increases:

- **One-Time Computer Increase** - Students must submit an invoice or quote for the price of the computer in order to receive this increase up to the $2,000.

Increase for Family Expense - Requests for budget adjustments are considered on a case-by-case basis.

- **Dependent/Childcare Expense for Students who are:**
  1. **Single Parents** - Up to a $12,100 allowance may be factored for certified Dependent/Childcare expenses per child.
  2. **Married and Spouse is working or in school** - Up to a $6,050 allowance may be factored for certified Dependent/Childcare expenses per child.

*Note: Through federal student loan programs, we cannot consider the cost of childcare for a married student whose spouse is an at-home parent. However, if the student is borrowing a private student loan, then we may consider the cost of childcare when the spouse is an at-home parent. Please contact our office for details regarding the regulations and documentation required for a Dependent/Childcare allowance.

**Private Student Loan Programs ONLY** may be used for the following increases:

- **Duke Student Health Insurance Family Coverage**: This increase may be made to the cost of attendance when proof of coverage is presented to the Financial Aid Office.

*Statements and explanations provided by the student for immediate family expenses do not constitute supporting documentation for budget adjustments. Depending on the reason for the increase request, and in order for the Financial Aid Office to determine if an increase is allowable, students may be asked to submit additional supporting documents beyond those originally submitted. Per student's request and depending on special circumstances, we may consider an additional living expense increase up to 60% of the standard living expense allocation. This is only considered for Fuqua students whose spouse is living with them during their studies at Fuqua, not employed and not a student.

**Non-Allowable Cost of Attendance Adjustments**: Expenses incurred for interview activities coordinated by Fuqua (i.e. Weekend-In-Cities) and general interview trips are not considered for financial aid purposes because they are not standard requirements within the curriculum.

Please Note: Due to Federal Law, personal consumer debt (i.e., credit cards, car loans, etc.) cannot be factored into the cost of attendance.