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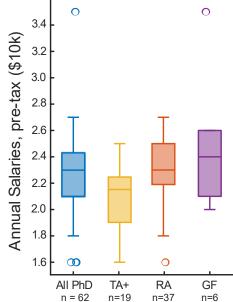
2021-2022 Student Financial Summary

Overview

ME GSAC surveyed students in the department to understand the distribution of student stipends and student expenses. Over 100 students responded. The results are summarized below.

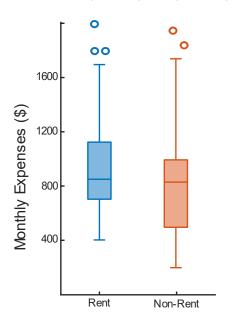
Student Salaries

62 PhD students reported their stipends and funding source. We report the distribution of stipends for all students and by funding source. Here, students that report partial or full funding by a teaching assistantship are categorized as TA+ while students that are fully funded as Research Assistants or received a fellowship (internal or external) are categorized as RA or GF respectively. The median stipend for all students before taxes is \$23.0k while the median stipend for TA+, RAs, and GFs is \$21.5k, \$23.0k, and \$24.0k respectively.



Student Expenses

77 students reported their monthly expense for a 4-month period from November to February. Here, we report the expenses for 71 students that live without dependents and pay rent. The median non-rent expense per month is \$835. The median rental expense is \$850 per month. 46% of students live with one roommate. While it is possible to reduce rental expenses by choosing to live with more roommates, total expense (i.e. the sum of rent and non-rent expenses) by number of roommates showed no trends. The total annual expense, after taxes, is estimated at \$20.9k.



Have questions or ideas? ME GSAC has performed additional analysis of the data and would love to speak with you! Reach us at uofu.me.gsac@gmail.com