Tuition Paid on Federal Grants

Illinois Tech complies with 2 CFR 200.430-Compensation and 2 CFR 200.466-Scholarships and Student Aid Costs regarding tuition payments. Graduate students are required to perform grant-related work in order to be eligible to receive tuition.

A stipend must be recorded on the grant in the same term as tuition is recorded so that time and effort is reflected on the project. Tuition does not appear on the Grant Effort Certification system because there is no effort associated with tuition payments. Since there is no effort associated with tuition, the compensation cannot meet the documentation requirements of 2 CFR 200.430 Compensation.

It is for this reason that tuition paid in lieu of wages (or “stand-alone” tuition) is not allowable on federally sponsored awards.