# **TUITION AND FEES**

For current information regarding Tuition and Fees, see the Student Accounts website (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/sfs/) and select Tuition & Fees.

Student Accounts: sfs@uww.edu

262-472-1373

Cashier's Office:

cashiers@uww.edu 262-472-1378

#### **Student Financial Services**

University of Wisconsin - Whitewater Hyer Hall 104 800 West Main Street Whitewater, WI 53190

# **Undergraduate Tuition**

All students who attend UW-Whitewater pay tuition assessed by the Board of Regents of the UW System. Tuition is subject to change by the Board without notice. The information and policies related to both tuition and fees are those in effect at the time this Catalog was prepared. Tuition and fees vary depending on your residency status, campus location, and enrolled courses. Additional course or distance education fees may be required. For current information regarding Tuition and Fees, visit the Student Financial Service website (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/ finance/sfs/).

Mandatory Segregated Fees are included in the resident and non-resident fee schedules.

A non-resident fee is added to the academic fee for non-resident students. Students may be eligible for reduced non-resident fees. Programs that are available include the following:

- 1. Minnesota Reciprocity Minnesota residents can participate by filing an application with the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office.
- Return to Wisconsin Undergraduates who are sons or daughters (or grandchildren) of UW-Whitewater alumni are eligible. For more information on the Return to Wisconsin program, visit the Alumni website.
- Midwest Tuition Undergraduate nonresidents from participating states are eligible. For eligible states and qualifications for Midwest Tuition rates, contact the UWW Admissions office.

There are undergraduate courses and programs assessed special tuition rates and fees that do not conform to the standard fee schedules. Examples of these courses include UWX AAS Online, Online Business and Economics BBA, Online Early Child Care and Education, and Online Comm Disorder courses. Visit here (https://www.uww.edu/online/) for updated rates for these special courses and programs.

# **Graduate Tuition**

All students who attend UW-Whitewater pay tuition assessed by the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System. Tuition is subject to change by the Board without notice. The information and policies related to both tuition and fees are those in effect at the time this Catalog was prepared. For current information regarding Tuition and Fees, see the Student Accounts website (https://www.uww.edu/ adminaffairs/finance/sfs/) and select Tuition & Fees.

Mandatory Segregated Fees are included in the resident and non-resident fee schedules available on the Student Accounts website (see above).

A non-resident fee is added to the academic fee for non-resident students. A student may be eligible for a reduced non-resident fee if they qualify for the following:

- 1. Minnesota Reciprocity Minnesota residents can participate by filing an application with the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office.
  - a. Please note: online programs typically are not eligible for reduced tuition charges including Minnesota Reciprocity as online tuition rates are the same regardless of residency. Also, the DBA Program does not have a tuition variance based on residency – all DBA students pay the same tuition rate.

# **Special Rates and Online Tuition**

Some graduate courses are assessed special tuition rates and fees that do not conform to the standard fee schedules. Examples of these courses include MBA online, MS Early Childhood Education, MS online Computer Science, and many more. For current special rates and online tuition courses and programs, visit here (https://www.uww.edu/online/).

# **College of Business Online Course Fees**

The 2024-25 fee for College of Business and Economics online Graduate courses is \$695.00 per unit (credit) for both resident and non-resident students for each online unit in which the student is enrolled. This rate will change every year as tuition rates are set. For online rates, visit the College of Business and Economics website (https://www.uww.edu/cobe/masters/learn-more/tuition/) or Student Accounts website (https:// www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/sfs/) and select Tuition & Fees.

# Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan

Graduate students are eligible to borrow through the PLUS program. The PLUS Loan may not exceed the student's estimated cost of attendance minus any estimated financial assistance the student has been or will be awarded during the period of enrollment. An origination fee is assessed at the time the loan is made. Additional information, including the application process, may be found at the Financial Aid website (https://www.uww.edu/financialaid/types-of-aid/loans/graduate/).

# **Standard for Maximum Time Frame**

The total maximum time frame for graduate students receiving financial aid cannot exceed 150% of the published length of the program. For example, a program requiring 30 units for graduation would allow 45 units attempts  $(30 \times 150\% = 45)$ . When enrolled in degree programs that have a published minimum unit requirement for graduation of greater than 30 units, financial aid eligibility may be extended.

The maximum time frame for undergraduate students seeking a second degree (special students) is 90 units.

### **Graduate Assistantships**

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater has a limited number of graduate assistantships for selected full-time graduate students. To be eligible for consideration, individuals must be enrolled in a graduate degree program at UW-Whitewater in good standing status. Graduate assistants must

register for at least nine graduate units, but no more than 12 units, each semester.

Students receiving full assistantship awards are expected to perform 20 hours of service per week. Work loads for partial awards are reduced proportionately. Duties will involve assignments such as laboratory assistant, research assistant, the preparation of materials for instruction, or other assignments of an academic nature.

The award amount and availability of graduate assistantships for subsequent years is contingent upon funding being appropriated from the Wisconsin State Legislature, and is subject to change. All students who receive at least 2/3 of a full assistantship for an academic year or one semester will qualify for fringe benefits (such as health, dental, and life insurance). When funds are available, out-of-state students who receive at least 2/3 of a full assistantship for an academic year or for one semester will be eligible for a remission of the nonresident portion of tuition costs for the corresponding time period. In addition, the outof-state portion of the fees may be waived for the summer session if the student received at least 2/3 of a full assistantship award for the preceding spring semester.

New applicants for degree programs must complete and return an application for admission and may apply for a graduate assistantship. Students who have already been admitted to a graduate degree program should submit only an application for a graduate assistantship. Completed application forms should reach the Graduate Studies Office by February 15 of the preceding academic year for first consideration. Recipients will be notified in writing and issued an employment contract as early as possible.

#### **Graduate Research Grants**

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater recognizes the importance of basic and applied research in the graduate experience and supports such initiatives by making small research grants available. Grants up to \$750 will be awarded to single or multiple-student research projects that involve supervision by a member of the graduate faculty. Funds may be used for travel, supplies, photocopying, long-distance calls, or wages for student help (other than the student investigator[s]), and/or for the dissemination of project results (e.g., travel to present findings at professional meetings, costs of publications.

#### **Summer Term**

To apply for summer term financial aid, students must complete a Summer Aid Application which is available in the Financial Aid Office in March. In addition, the current academic-year FAFSA must be completed no later than the spring semester (if not already on file). Graduate students must be enrolled for at least 4.5 units to be eligible for aid.

For more detailed information, please contact:

#### **Financial Aid Office**

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater 800 West Main Street Hyer Hall 130 Whitewater, WI 53190-1790 262-472-1130 https://www.uww.edu/financialaid/

#### Advanced Opportunity Program (AOP) Awards

Advanced Opportunity Program grants are intended for traditionally under-represented groups or non-minority, financially disadvantaged graduate students. Students who are considered disadvantaged must have a financial need and meet criteria. For information, questions, and the application, full-time and part-time graduate students should contact AOP@uww.edu.

#### **Enrollment Deposit**

UW-Whitewater requires all new undergraduate career students to pay a one-time \$100 enrollment deposit for their first term of classes.

When students leave UW-Whitewater, they can request their enrollment deposit back by completing the request form, found on the Student Accounts website, and complying with the terms and conditions listed on the form.

#### **Segregated Fees**

Segregated fees are charges, in addition to tuition, assessed to all students for student services, activities, programs, and facilities that support the mission of the University of Wisconsin institutions, including UW-Whitewater. On our campus, the Whitewater Student Government organization reviews and recommends the fee amounts, and decisions about fee amount distribution is made by the SUFAC Committee.

#### **Special Course Fees**

In addition to the regular instructional fee and mandatory fee, approved course fees are charged for extraordinary costs such as art materials, sports-related fees, technology fees, etc. Special course fees are listed in the Schedule of Classes. Supplemental course fees (e.g., online fees, equipment costs, field trip expenses) may be refunded in full if the course is dropped by the 100% deadline; after that no refund of such fees is available. Costs associated with travel study courses are non-refundable.

### **Distance Education Fees**

Distance education fees apply to courses with the instruction mode of Online (O), Virtual Classroom (VC), and Limited On-Campus (LC), unless service-based pricing applies. This fee is assessed per unit (credit).

# What is the Terms & Conditions?

Students planning to enroll in classes at UW-Whitewater will need to accept the "Terms and Conditions for Enrollment/Credit Agreement" each term. This document contains information for the students about their responsibilities for classes for which they register, payment plan information, and charges on student accounts. For more information on the Terms & Conditions, visit here (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/ finance/sfs#Resources/#terms-and-conditions-agreement).

### **Student Bills**

UW-Whitewater bills students for their tuition and fees via the campus email address system. E-billing notifications are sent monthly when there is activity on the student's account. Bills can be accessed from the link in the billing email notification and then entering the WINS user ID and password (authorized users must use their own login and password). For more information regarding your bill, visit here (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/sfs/billing-information/).

# Paying your bill

Students can pay their bills online, by mail, or at the Cashier's Office window during office hours. Students receiving financial aid are subject to the same payment deadlines which apply to all other students. For more information on payment options, visit here (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/cashiers-office/pay-your-bill/).

# **Payment Plan**

The University provides a payment plan option via Nelnet for students during the Fall, Spring, and Summer terms. Payment plans require selfenrollment via WINS. For more information on the payment plan and associated fees, please visit here (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/ finance/sfs/#Resources%23nelnet-payment-plan-self-enrollment).

# **Payment, Billing and Collection Policies**

UW-Whitewater requires all students to comply with the following billing policies:

- 1. Student Accounts will generate e-Bills on accounts monthly:
- 2. Payments should be received by the due date, which is the 12<sup>th</sup> of each month. The monthly billing process and assessment of finance charges on unpaid charges occurs on the first business day following the monthly due date.
- 3. Payment options include:
  - a. Online by electronic check (fee free) or by debit/credit card via WINS and our online payment processor Nelnet. There is a convenience fee charge when making a debit or credit card payment.
  - b. In person during regular Cashier's Office window hours (104 Hyer Hall) or by using the after-hours depository found outside of the Cashier's Office when Hyer Hall is open. Debit and credit cards are not accepted at the Cashier's window.
  - c. Mail payment via USPS to UW-W Cashier's Office, PO Box 88, Whitewater, WI 53190. Checks should be made payable to UW-Whitewater. Include the student name, ID number, and term on the check. Students who pay by check should consider the check their receipt; however, if a receipt is needed, students may include a self-addressed stamped return envelope.
- Failure to receive an e-Billing statement will NOT relieve the obligation to make timely payments. Students are responsible for monitoring their WINS account regularly, and remitting payments in a timely manner.
- 5. Students receiving funding through financial aid or a third party agreement are subject to the same payment deadlines and should not depend on other financing sources to be available in time for billing deadlines.
- 6. Students whose account becomes past due, are at risk of having current or upcoming classes cancelled. In addition, students will not be able to register for current or future terms. Also, finance charges will be charged and collection procedures will be initiated. UW-Whitewater participates in the Department of Revenue (DOR) debt collection programs.
- Scholarships are treated like financial aid and require processing time. Please submit scholarship checks to the UW-Whitewater Cashier's Office at least 10 days before the due date to avoid additional finance charges.
- 8. NSF checks will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. A \$20.00 service charge will be assessed. See also WI Stat. 943.24.

A student's account will revert to the same status as before the payment was received.

- 9. The Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1976, as amended, is a federal law that affords students certain rights and protects their privacy and confidentiality with respect to their educational records. Students may sign an Authorization to Release Information with regard to the payment of their financial obligation to the university. You may download this form from the Student Financials website.
- 10. For more information, visit the Student Financial Services website (https://www.uww.edu/adminaffairs/finance/sfs/).

# **Refund of Fees**

Students who enroll for courses at UW-Whitewater and wish to drop one, some, or all of their courses must do so by published deadlines to avoid academic and financial penalties (nonattendance does not exempt the student from such penalties).

International students, student athletes, and students who are receiving financial aid, military or other benefits, and who are considering dropping all classes or dropping below full-time status after classes have begun are strongly encouraged to meet with the appropriate official before dropping classes since there may be legal, certification, and/or repayment penalties associated with these actions.

# **Refund Schedule for Withdrawals or Drops**

Session Length	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Thereafter
12 wks. & over	100%	100%	50%	50%	None
8 wks. through 11 wks.	100%	50%	25%	None	None
5 wks. through 7 wks.	100%	50%	None	None	None
3 wks. through 5 wks.	100%	25%	None	None	None
2 weeks	100%	None	None	None	None

Supplemental course fees (e.g., online fees, equipment costs, field trip expenses) may be refunded in full if the course is dropped by the 100% deadline; after that no refund is available. Costs associated with travel study courses are non-refundable. The refund schedule changes accordingly for sessions of shorter duration.

Financial aid will be disbursed on or prior to the first day of classes if it is available. Financial aid will be used to pay any remaining balance on students' accounts before refunds will be issued if so authorized. Federal regulations require that the University apply Title IV financial aid funds to "allowable charges", which are **tuition**, **mandatory segregated fees**, **course fees**, **and housing and meal charges** contracted with the University. Federal Title IV regulations prohibit the use of federal aid to **cover administrative charges**, such as finance charges.

The student is responsible to pay charges by the due date on the billing statement. Refunds will be delayed if a past due balance exists or if there are administrative charges remaining on the student account. Any excess aid will be processed after the term begins.

For a quicker initial refund, students should set up a direct deposit account through the eBill site. For additional information, see the Cashier's office website in their FAQ tab on the Financial Services website.