

# EXPLANATION OF FEES

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## Mandatory Fees

### Student Fees Summary

The mandatory fee assessment for undergraduate students is based on number of credit hours as follows:

- Students registered for 9 or more credits: \$910.00 per semester;
- Students registered for 8 or fewer credits: \$422.00 per semester.

For more information, see <http://Billpay.umd.edu/costs/>. An explanation of each fee type is available below.

### Athletics Fee

A healthy and sustainable Department of Intercollegiate Athletics (ICA) is an essential part of the university community. Athletics elevates the university's profile, adds to the value of degrees, provides engagement with our 388,000 alumni worldwide, and helps attract a quality, diverse pool of prospective students. Athletics also generates funding for all students via robust fundraising opportunities with donors and corporate partners, and provides academic and research opportunities for students through the Big Ten Academic Alliance. Athletics also provides direct scholarship support, job opportunities and internships for hundreds of student athletes. The athletic fee is an integral revenue source for ICA to continue to provide these and other benefits to the university community.

### Shuttle Bus Fee

The Transportation Services (DOTS) fee supports Shuttle-UM, an essential mobility option for students that also facilitates campus sustainability priorities. Shuttle-UM is a 24/7 operation that provides transit service on and around campus to more than 2.6 million riders a year. In addition to 22 fixed bus routes, Shuttle-UM offers interstate bus service for students during university breaks, paratransit services for individuals with temporary or permanent disabilities, and the overnight, safety-focused "NITE Ride" service. It is a critical transportation solution for students without vehicles. Shuttle-UM routes also reduce the number of automobiles on campus, minimizing vehicular congestion and furthering the University's Climate Action Plan. The mandatory fee also supports Shuttle-UM vehicle and transportation facilities maintenance.

### Student Union Fee

This fee supports the operation of the STAMP as the campus community center. Funds are used to provide physical spaces that support basic services including food/retail/lounges and resource rooms, student engagement, programs, and student group meetings. The STAMP staff serve as mentors and guides to students and groups of students. Staff working with students provide programs, community service options, identity and culturally based communities, arts and recreational programs, spiritual and interfaith offerings, co-curricular programs, student employment and internships, access to enlivening programs and

services, and a rich information hub for students as well as faculty, staff, alumni and visitors.

### Student Activities Fee

These fees support student governance and also provide programs and resources for all graduate and undergraduate students including access to legal aid services, funding for recognized student organizations and their programs, activities and programs hosted by organizations like Student Entertainment Events (SEE), and advocacy for students in institutional decision making.

### Recreation Services Fee

The Recreation Services fee supports the in-person and virtual offerings provided by University Recreation & Wellness (RecWell). When on campus, students have access to over 400,000 square feet of indoor recreation spaces, including group fitness studios, an indoor pool, weight rooms, cardio equipment, sport courts and more. Additionally, RecWell manages over 200 acres of outdoor space to meet the recreational needs of all students. When not on campus, students have access to countless virtual group fitness classes, esports and trivia intramural leagues, and an array of adventure offerings like virtual escape rooms and scavenger hunts. Being physically active is a crucial component of success in and out of the classroom, and RecWell is dedicated to creating a culture of wellness where all members of the university community thrive.

### Student Sustainability Fee

This fee was initiated by the undergraduate student body at the University of Maryland to fund sustainability initiatives. All fee revenue is distributed to students, faculty, or staff in the form of Sustainability Fund grants to support projects that reduce the environmental impact of university operations or create opportunities for students to learn more about sustainability through education or research.

### Student Counseling Center Fee

This fee supplements the Counseling Center operations to support the significant increase in demand for student mental health services. Funding from this fee will assist in the development of a treatment team that focuses on the delivery of rapid access, such as triage and referral, single session therapy, crisis intervention, and drop in consultation. The development of a care management team assisting students going to and returning from higher levels of care such as hospitalization, and intensive outpatient programs. The development of embedded modalities, such as "Let's Talk", that help minimize barriers to care for minority students. The Counseling Center's goal is to be able to operate in a manner that allows minimizing wait times to routine therapy while maintaining session limit flexibility, and the capacity to create a unified clinical system that spans the continuum of care with a common landing page and central triage system.

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## Other Fees

### Application Fee for Undergraduate Students

A non-refundable fee of \$80 is charged to all new applicants.

### Cooperative Education in Liberal Arts, Business, and Science (UNIV099)

Per Semester: \$60 (Fall or Spring), \$30 (Summer or Winter)

## Engineering Coop Program (ENCO098-ENCO099)

Per Semester: \$78

### Enrollment Confirmation Deposit

All newly admitted undergraduate students who intend to matriculate in the Fall or Spring semester must submit a non-refundable \$400 deposit, which is credited to their tuition charges when they enroll. Should the student decide not to enroll for the specific semester of application, the \$400 deposit is forfeited and cannot be used to offset any account balance, including orientation charges, the student may incur.

Students admitted for the Fall semester must submit this deposit by May 1 or within 30 days from their date of admission, whichever is later, to reserve their place in the entering class. Students admitted for the Spring semester must submit this deposit by December 1 or within 14 days of their date of admission, whichever is later, to reserve their place in the entering class.

### Fees for Auditing Courses

Tuition and Fees for courses taken with the audit grading method are charged just as courses taken for credit at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Credit hours taken as audit will be added to hours taken for credit in order to determine full-time or part-time status for fee assessment purposes. Special Students are assessed fees in accordance with the schedule for the comparable undergraduate or graduate classification.

### Late Payment Fee

A 5% fee is incurred on the total account balance at time of assessment once per Fall, and once per Spring on amounts past due. An additional 1.5% fee may be incurred in subsequent months where a past due balance remains.

### Late Registration Fee

Late Registration begins on the First Day of Classes. All students initiating registration for the semester on or after this date will be assessed a \$20 late registration fee.

### Maryland English Institute Fees

Students enrolled with the Maryland English Institute pay these fees in support of the Institute. The Intensive English program (UMEI001, UMEI002, UMEI003, and UMEI004) is \$7,616.00. The Semi-intensive program (UMEI005) is \$4,812 for Undergraduate and \$6,515 for Graduate. Students enrolled in the Semi-intensive program may also enroll for regular academic courses and pay the tuition and fees associated with those offerings. The program also offers courses in English Pronunciation, Advanced Writing, and Advanced Oral Communication Skills. These charges are subject to change. For more information, please refer to: <http://marylandenglishinstitute.com> (<http://marylandenglishinstitute.com/wpdirect/dates-costs/>)

### Other Special Fees

The university offers a number of courses (MBA, ENTS, Chemical and Life Sciences, Animal Sciences) that have special course fees in addition to, or in lieu of, the standard tuition charges. Students are encouraged to contact the department prior to registering for the class to determine the total cost of the course.

### Overdue Library Charges

Different fine rates may apply based on which library collection the overdue material resides. Please see <http://Lib.umd.edu/access/fines/> for more information.

### Parking Registration Fees

All students enrolled in classes at the university who park a vehicle anytime on campus must register to park each academic year. For additional information, please refer to Department of Transportation Services. (<https://transportation.umd.edu/parking/students/fees-and-permit-types/>)

### Pre-College Orientation Program Registration Fee

- \$265.00 (Student two-day in person program)
- \$175.00 (Student one-day in person program)
- \$95.00 (Student online only program)
- \$99.00 (Family members and supporters) \*Only applies if guest is 18 years old or over.

For more information on Orientation programs offered, visit <http://orientation.umd.edu/>

### Property Damage Charge

Students will be charged for damage to property or equipment. When responsibility for the damage can be fixed, the individual student will be billed for it; when responsibility cannot be fixed, the cost of repairing the damage or replacing equipment will be prorated among the individuals involved.

### Service Charges for Dishonored Checks

Payable for each check which is returned unpaid by the payee's bank on initial presentation because of insufficient funds, payment stop, post-dating, drawn against uncollected items, etc.

- For checks up to \$100: \$10
- For checks from \$100.01 to \$500: \$25
- For checks over \$500: \$50

When a check is returned unpaid, the student must redeem the check and pay any outstanding balance in the account immediately or late fees may be assessed and the account is subject to transfer to the State of Maryland Central Collection Unit for legal follow-up. Additionally, a minimum 17% collection charge is added to the charges posted to the student's account at the time the transfer is made.

### Special Examination Fee (Credit-by-Exam)

\$30 per course for all undergraduates and full-time graduate students; credit-hour charge for part-time graduate students.

### Special Fee for Students Requiring Additional Preparation in Mathematics (math003, MATH007, math013, and math015) per Semester

A fee of \$300 is required of students whose curriculum calls for MATH107, MATH113, or MATH115 and who do not pass the placement examination for these courses. This Special Math Fee is in addition to the course charge. Students enrolled in this course and concurrently enrolled for nine or more credit hours will be considered as full-time students for purposes of assessing fees.

## Cancellation and Withdrawal and Refund of Tuition and Fees

The effective date used in computing refunds for cancellations and withdrawals is the date a signed request to cancel or withdraw from the university is received by the Office of the University Registrar.

### Cancellation and Refund of Tuition and Fees

Students who register and later decide not to attend the university must submit a Cancellation of Registration Form (<http://registrar.umd.edu/registration/separating-university/cancel-registration/>) to the Office of the University Registrar before the First Day of Classes. Failure to cancel registration will result in a financial obligation to the University of Maryland even if a student does not attend class.

### Withdrawal and Refund of Tuition and Fees

Students may request a withdrawal from all classes at any time between the First Day of Classes and Last Day of Classes. Students should contact the Office of the University Registrar to understand the implications of this action and to submit a signed request to withdraw from the university. The effective date used in computing refunds of tuition and fees is the date the written withdrawal request is received by the Office of the University Registrar.

Undergraduate students withdrawing from the university will be credited for tuition and fees in accordance with the following schedule for a **Fall or Spring Semester\***:

Cancellation/Withdrawal Deadlines	Refund
Before First Day of Classes (cancellation)	100%
During the Schedule Adjustment Period	80%
3rd week	60%
4th week	40%
5th week	20%
After 5th week	No refund

*\*The refund schedule dates are published on the Academic Deadlines (<https://registrar.umd.edu/calendars/>) page of the Office of the University Registrar Website for each term. Summer and Winter Academic & Financial Deadlines and Information can be found at the Extended Studies website (<http://exst.umd.edu>).*

Students will forfeit their right to a refund if they do not complete the cancellation or withdrawal action described above. Stop payment on a check, failure to pay the semester bill, or failure to attend classes does not constitute a cancellation or withdrawal.

Students receiving a credit to their student account as a result of a cancellation or withdrawal as described above, may initiate the refund of that credit by submitting a refund request to Student Financial Services and Cashiering at <http://billpay.umd.edu/student-refunds> (<https://billpay.umd.edu/refunds/>). Otherwise, any credit on the student account may be carried over to the next semester.

**No part of the charges for room and board is refundable** except when students officially withdraw from the university or when they are given permission by the appropriate officials of the university to move from the residence halls and/or to discontinue dining hall privileges. For questions regarding housing charges, contact the Department of Resident Life

(<http://reslife.umd.edu>). For questions regarding dining charges, contact the Department of Dining Services (<http://dining.umd.edu>).

Note: Students who receive Title IV aid and who withdraw will receive an adjustment to any disbursed aid in accordance with federal regulations. In computing refunds to students who have received the benefit of scholarships and loans from university funds, the computation will be made to return the maximum amount to the scholarship and loan accounts without loss to the university.

## Penalties for Drops During Schedule Adjustment (Refund Schedules)

- For a complete explanation of Undergraduate Tuition & Fees, see: Undergraduate Tuition & Fees (<https://billpay.umd.edu/UndergraduateTuition/>).
- For a complete explanation of refunds and refund schedules, see: Student Financials and Cashiering (<https://billpay.umd.edu/refunds/refunds-overview/>).

### Full-time Undergraduates – Refund Schedule for Drops (Fall & Spring)\*

Full-time undergraduate students do not receive a refund for courses dropped if the total number of credits for which they are registered remains 12 or more.

- **Prior to the first day of classes:** If a full-time undergraduate student drops a course or courses, thereby changing the total number of credits for which the student is registered to 11 or less, charges for the semester will be assessed on the basis of the per credit hour fee for part-time students. However, if the student later adds a course or courses, thereby changing the total number of credits for which the student is registered to 12 or more, the student will be charged full-time tuition.
- **During the first five days of classes:** If a full-time undergraduate student drops a course or courses, thereby changing the total number of credits for which the student is registered to 11 or less, the student will be charged part-time per credit hour tuition. However, if the student later adds a course or courses, thereby changing the total number of credits for which the student is registered to 12 or more, the student will be charged full-time tuition.
- **After day five of schedule adjustment through the end of schedule adjustment:** If a full-time undergraduate drops a course or courses thereby changing the total number of credits for which the student is registered to 11 or less, charges for the semester will be assessed on the basis of part-time per credit hour tuition plus 20% of the difference between the full-time tuition and fees and appropriate part-time charges.
- **After the Schedule Adjustment Period:** There will be no refund for changing from full-time to part-time status.

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### Part-Time Undergraduates – Refund Schedule for Drops (Fall & Spring)\*

Part-time undergraduates are charged for courses by the credit hour. Students may drop and add courses without penalty provided that the

changes are made on the same day and the total number of credits does not change (even exchange). Otherwise, a percentage charge and/or complete charge will be imposed according to the schedule below:

- **Before the First Day of Classes:** 100% refund. There will be no charge for courses dropped prior to this date.
- **During the first five days of classes:** 100% refund. There will be no charge for courses dropped during this period.
- **After day five of schedule adjustment through the end of schedule adjustment:** 80% refund. There will be a 20% charge imposed for courses dropped during this period.
- **After the Schedule Adjustment Period:** 0% refund. There will be no refund; students incur the full charge for courses dropped during this period.

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