Oregon Health & Science University

Academic Year Tuition & Fee Book

2015-2016

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The tuition and fee policies as outlined in this document apply to the Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring terms of the 2015-2016 academic year. All prior academic year Fee Books are repealed except as to rights or obligations previously acquired or incurred thereunder.

I. Definitions

A. Full-Time Student

A full time undergraduate student is one who is enrolled for at least 12 credits and not more than 18 credits per term. A full time graduate/professional student is one who is enrolled for at least 9 credits and not more than 16 credits per term. Students may be charged Mandatory Enrollment Fees for all credits enrolled for during a term.

B. Mandatory Enrollment Fees

Mandatory Enrollment Fees are those tuition and fees that a student is assessed for which the student has no discretion not to pay. Mandatory Enrollment Fees include, but are not limited to: Tuition, University Fee, Major Medical Insurance, Dental Insurance, Student Council Fee and others. There may be differentials for some tuition or fees based on residency, campus location or other criteria. Mandatory Enrollment Fees are set by the OHSU Board of Directors.

C. Over-Time Student

An over-time student is one who is enrolled in more than the maximum credits designated as full-time (more than 18 credits for undergraduate students; more than 16 credits for graduate students).

D. Part-Time Student

A part-time student is one who is enrolled in less than the minimum number of credits per term required of a full-time student (fewer than 12 credits for undergraduate students; fewer than 9 credits for graduate/professional students).

E. Resident Student

A resident student is one who meets the criteria of OHSU Residency Policy 02-10-010. Students should reference the OHSU Residency Policy to determine if they qualify for the resident student tuition rate.
II. Tuition Policies

A. Tuition Differentials

Resident and non-resident tuition differentials may apply to students enrolled in certain academic programs.

B. Advance Tuition Deposit

OHSU determines the student population for whom a tuition deposit will be required. The amount of the deposit varies and is set by the academic program.

C. Tuition Refund Schedule

Refunds of tuition and/or fees may be granted to students in accordance with the refund schedule on file with the university Registrar’s Office. This schedule shall be prepared annually. There is no refund for Employee Tuition Benefits. No refunds are issued for fees after the 100% refund date.

Notification of program Withdrawal or Leave of Absence is required and can be completed by submitting a “Withdrawal/Leave of Absence” form available from the university Registrar’s Office. Students who believe that their circumstances warrant exceptions to the published refund schedule may submit a letter of appeal to the university Registrar.

The following uniform refund schedules are established for all schools:

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The refund for course load reduction applies to all students reducing credit hours except for those credit hours within a tuition plateau. Any student with orders to report for active military duty may withdraw at any time during the term and receive a full refund. If sufficient course work has been accomplished and the instructor feels justified in granting credit for the course work completed, credit may be granted and withdrawal proceedings are unnecessary.

D. Non-Resident Tuition Exemption for School of Nursing Programs

Non-resident undergraduate or graduate nursing students who are residents of counties adjacent to the Oregon border in California, Idaho, Nevada or Washington pay resident tuition rates. Non-resident undergraduate nursing students on the La Grande campus will
also pay resident tuition rates if they are residents of Idaho or Washington and have completed at least one term at EOU while paying the EOU resident tuition rate, prior to entering the OHSU undergraduate nursing program. Students eligible for either of these exemptions must notify the Registrar's Office by the first day of the academic term. Tuition for terms prior to the date the student notifies the Registrar's Office will continue to be charged at the non-resident rate.

Non-resident PhD and post-master’s DNP nursing students from states participating in the Western Regional Graduate Program of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education pay resident tuition rates. Participants include Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Students eligible for this exemption must notify the Registrar's Office by the first day of the academic term. Tuition for terms prior to the date the student notifies the Registrar's Office will continue to be charged at the non-resident rate.

E. OHSU Tuition Promise

2013-2014 OHSU Tuition Promise: All students enrolled during 2013-14 in one of the eligible degree programs listed below will not incur a tuition rate increase over their 2013-14 tuition rates during the remaining years of their degree (as long as the degree is completed within the normal timeline as specified by the degree program).

2014-2015 OHSU Tuition Promise: All new students enrolled during 2014-15 in one of the eligible degree programs listed below will not incur a tuition rate increase over their 2014-15 tuition rates during the remaining years of their degree (as long as the degree is completed within the normal timeline as specified by the degree program).

2015-2016 OHSU Tuition Promise: All new students enrolled during 2015-16 in one of the eligible degree programs listed below will not incur a tuition rate increase over their 2015-16 tuition rates during the remaining years of their degree (as long as the degree is completed within the normal timeline as specified by the degree program).

Students eligible for the OHSU Tuition Promise must be enrolled in one of the following degree programs at any OHSU campus:

- MD
- DMD
- Master of Physician Assistant Studies
- Master of Clinical Dietetics
- Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition
- Master of Nursing in Adult Gerontology Acute Care*
- Master of Nursing in Nurse Anesthesia
- Master of Nursing in Family Nurse Practitioner
- Master of Nursing in Nurse Midwifery
- Master of Nursing in Pediatric Nurse Practitioner*
- Master of Nursing in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy
- 3-Year OCNE Bachelor of Science in Nursing (excluding RN/BS)
- Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing

*Students that matriculated into these programs prior to the 2015-2016 academic year will be charged the 2014-15 OHSU Tuition Promise rate starting in the 2015-16 academic year.

While the tuition rate for eligible students will remain the same under the OHSU Tuition Promise, other expenses such as fees, books, supplies or equipment charges are subject to change.

If a student exhausts the specified length of the degree program, they will no longer be eligible for the OHSU Tuition Promise and their tuition rate may increase at that time. Students wishing to request an extension of their OHSU Tuition Promise may submit an appeal by emailing Cherie Honnell, Vice Provost for Enrollment Management & Academic Programs, at honnellc@ohsu.edu. Appeals are reviewed on a case by case basis. A student dissatisfied with a decision made by the Vice Provost for Enrollment Management & Academic Programs may, within ten (10) days of the date of the notification of the decision, appeal the decision to the OHSU Provost. An appeal to the OHSU Provost shall be in writing only. The Provost’s decision shall be final.

III. Fee Policies

A. Application Fee

An Application Fee will be assessed to all students seeking formal admission to an OHSU academic program. This includes those students advancing from an undergraduate program to a graduate program as well as all international students. An application will not be evaluated until the Application Fee has been received. The amount of the Application Fee varies and is set by the academic program. Application Fees are not refundable.

If a student applies to enroll for fall, winter, or spring term of an academic year but delays enrollment until a subsequent term, a second Application Fee will not be assessed if enrollment occurs within that academic year. If enrollment is delayed until the subsequent academic year, a second Application Fee will be assessed.

B. Other Fees, Fines, and Service Charges

1. Late Registration Fee $35.00
2. Returned Check $40.00

A returned check charge will be assessed in the amount of $40.00. Also, a late registration fee may be assessed if the returned check was used to pay tuition/fees.
3. Grade Transcript Fee

Official copy, ordered 48 hours in advance $15.00
Official copy, same day service $20.00
Faxed official copy $20.00

If priority delivery service is requested, there will be an additional $20 charge.

4. Certified Copies of Diplomas $10.00

5. Duplicate Diploma $50.00

6. Medical Student Dean’s Letter $10.00

7. Archived Records Retrieval Fee $20.00

8. Copies of Education Records
(except as exempted for release by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and university Student Records Policy)

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9. Examination for Credit

Institution-administered examination for credit, per course examination, regardless of credit hours involved. Up to $40.00

10. Graduation Fee $50.00

11. School of Nursing Transcript Evaluation Fee $25.00

A fee will be assessed for a preliminary evaluation of transcripts, prior to submission of an application for admission, for the purpose of determining whether completed coursework would fulfill prerequisites required by the School of Nursing for admission to the baccalaureate nursing program. A preliminary transcript evaluation is not a requirement of the School of Nursing application process.

The final determination of whether an applicant’s completed coursework meets the admission requirements may be made only by the Registrar’s Office after an application for admission has been submitted.

12. International Student Fee, per term $50.00

International students on F1 or J1 visas will be assessed a fee to support the tracking requirements associated with the international student SEVIS system.
13. Nursing Graduate Program Enhancement Fee, per term $1250.00

A fee is assessed to graduate nursing students who have been determined, based on admissions criteria, to require specialized support services in areas of language competencies (reading, writing, listening, speaking) and orientation to graduate academic life. Students’ needs for such services are evaluated during the admissions process.

14. Regional Campus Fees for Undergraduates in Nursing

Students in the undergraduate nursing programs at Eastern Oregon University, Oregon Institute of Technology, Southern Oregon University, or Western Oregon University will pay campus fees directly to those institutions. Students should contact the Regional University where they will be located for the specific fee amounts.

IV. Other Policies

A. Student Health Insurance Plan

OHSU requires students to carry major group health/dental insurance. For students with other major group health coverage, an insurance waiver application is available. For waiver application information and deadlines, refer to the JBT Health & Wellness Center website.

B. Institutional Authority to Adjust Charges

OHSU institutional officials may make tuition refunds and waive fines or charges that result from circumstances beyond the student’s control or are for the best interest of the institution. Institutional officials may also add and revise tuition or fee amounts established herein, for program changes or additions made after the adoption of this Academic Year Fee Book by the Board.

C. Charges for Services to Non-students

This Academic Year Fee Book does not identify charges for services that are continuously offered to persons other than students.

D. Courses Taken at Other Institutions

Students enrolled in coursework at an institution other than OHSU (regardless of whether the coursework is required by OHSU) are responsible for all costs (tuition and other fees) charged by that institution.
E. Auditors

Students enrolled in a combination of credit and audit courses or audit only will be assessed for the total credits under the tuition and fee schedule appropriate to their classification and residency.

F. Employee Tuition Benefit Program

An Employee Tuition Benefit program is available for some OHSU academic programs. A listing of Employee Tuition Benefit eligible programs, current polices and the online Application for Employee Tuition Benefit form are available on the Human Resources website.

V. Accounts Receivable Policy

A. Student Responsibilities

At the time a student formally registers for classes, either by signing and submitting the appropriate registration forms to the Registrar's Office, or by registering online, the student agrees to:

1. Assume financial responsibility for any tuition and fees as posted to his/her student account.
2. Abide by the official school policies regarding withdrawal from the University.
3. Assume the responsibility for understanding the University's official policy concerning schedule changes and satisfactory academic progress which may result in additional charges or the loss of eligibility for certain types of financial aid. It is considered the student's responsibility to understand how any changes to financial aid eligibility can affect his/her financial situation.
4. Make sure OHSU student records are current and advise of any demographic changes such as name, address, telephone and email.

B. Payment Due Dates

Accounts Receivable approved financial arrangements must be in place one week after the start of classes for each program. Electronic Bills, or E-Bills, for tuition and fees are the official student billing method for OHSU. E-Bills are sent out on the second Tuesday of every month.

Students that do not receive an E-Bill can confirm account charges by accessing the online Student Information System or by calling the Baird Hall Cashier’s Office at (503) 494-8243. All students must pay on time even if an E-Bill is not received. Students should refer to the billing statement for the last day to pay tuition and fees in full before late charges are assessed.
C. Payment Options

Payment to student accounts can be made using cash, check, credit card (Visa/MasterCard) in person, by US mail or online through the Institutional Student Information System which is a secure payment option. Any applicable financial aid will be applied to accounts, with the remaining balance to be paid by one of the methods listed above.

D. Refunds

A credit balance on a student account is created when financial aid, payments and other credits exceed total charges due. A refund of the credit balance will be processed and returned to the student using the following methods:

Direct Deposit – Direct deposit is the electronic transfer of funds into a checking or savings account. It is the quickest, safest and most convenient way to receive a refund. To elect to have refunds direct deposited, students must complete the OHSU Student Direct Deposit Authorization Form, attach a blank check and fax, mail or bring the form to the OHSU Baird Hall Cashier’s Office.

Credit Card – If payment is made on a student account by credit card, then credit must be issued to the original credit card according to Visa/MasterCard regulations.

Check – Refunds in the form of a check can be picked up at the Baird Hall Cashier’s Office, sent directly to the student’s address on file or express mailed to another OHSU campus for pickup. Please be aware that there is a 24 hour hold on all checks before they can be disbursed. The refund check will be delivered to the student upon presentation of a valid student ID. If a valid student ID is not available, students will be asked for two of the following: driver’s license or other valid state or federal ID, student ID number, date of birth or social security number. The student will then be asked to verify the current address.

E. Payment Plans

The OHSU Student Accounts Office (Formerly the Bursar’s Office) is responsible for billing and collection of tuition and fees. It is the goal of this office to work with students to resolve outstanding balances. It is understood that students and their families may experience financial difficulties and it is important for those types of issues to be communicated to the Student Accounts Office at an early stage. The Student Accounts Office offers payment plans to assist with the budgeting of the cost of education. However, those plans are only available to students prior to the due date of their bill. Students are urged to contact the Student Accounts Office prior to the due date of the bill to discuss any financial concerns that they may have. The earlier the issue is discussed the more tools are available to assist students in resolving the situation since all tuition/fees accrued in one term must be paid before registering for another term.
F. Educational Promissory Note

OHSU offers extended payment terms utilizing an Educational Promissory Note for unpaid tuition and fees. The Educational Promissory Note is a mandatory note and a new note is required every year.

G. Contractual Agreements

OHSU recognizes that employers or a third party may pay tuition and/or fees on behalf of students. These agreements are made between the student and the employer or third party. Students are responsible for meeting the requirements of the agreement such as grades and for any charges not paid by the employer or third party. Contractual agreements received from a government agency are between the US Government and OHSU. OHSU accepts only third party contracts that are on official company letterhead and include the following billing information: student’s name, tuition quarter and amount paying.

H. Collection Actions

If the balance is not resolved by the due date, a financial hold will be placed on the account. Other collection actions on delinquent accounts include:

1. Prevention of students from registering for classes
2. Hold on registration, official transcripts, licensure certification, degree verifications, diplomas and grades
3. Debt referral to third party collection agency
4. Tax off-set of debt against State of Oregon Income Tax Refund (Oregon residents only)
5. Accounts with unresolved balances are subject to additional collection charges, legal and attorney fees.
6. Litigation against debtor.

I. Withdrawals

Should a student withdraw during the term, all refunds are to be applied to any outstanding balance, and any remaining balance will immediately be due and payable.

J. Delinquent Accounts

Students should refer to the billing statement for the last day to pay tuition and fees in full before late charges are assessed. If payment is not paid in full by the stated due date, then the following policies may apply.

1. Interest will be assessed at a rate of 1.5% per month of the outstanding balance.
2. All accounts over 121+ days delinquent and not making regular monthly payments will be sent to Oregon Department of Revenue or an outside collection agency.

3. Accounts referred to an outside collection agency will be subject to additional collection charges, legal and attorney fees. After an account has been turned over to a collection agency, OHSU can no longer accept payment on this account and students must remit payment directly to the agency.

4. OHSU reserves the right to recover all costs involved with the collection and/or litigation of delinquent accounts.

5. OHSU is a non-profit institution of higher learning. Student receivable accounts are considered to be educational loans offered for the sole purpose of financing an education and are not dischargeable in bankruptcy proceedings.

6. OSHU reserves the right to demand payment in the form of a certified check, money order, cash or credit card in the event that one or more checks have been returned unpaid for any reason.

Refer to the Student Accounts Office website for additional information.