Tuition and Financial Information

At University College, a world-class education is within your reach. With tuition rates that are surprisingly affordable and competitive among other private colleges and universities in the St. Louis area, University College is designed to meet the educational needs of those who are seeking to expand their professional knowledge, earn a degree or certificate, or explore new fields and interests.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition rates for University College undergraduate and graduate courses can be found online on our Tuition & Financial Aid webpage. Tuition and lab or materials fees vary according to course and program.

Tuition Payment

All tuition and fees must be paid in full at the time of registration. Acceptable methods of payment include cash, check, credit card, approved financial aid and approved employer tuition reimbursement plans.

Refunds

All refunds are calculated from the date on which the student completes a course change form (PDF) online. If the original payment was made by credit card, a refund will be applied to the student's credit card. Otherwise, a check will be generated for the refund amount. Check refunds can be picked up at the Student Financial Services office or by mail to the student’s local address. University College grants full refunds to individuals called to active military duty.

More information can be found on our Refund Policies & Deadlines webpage. Tuition rates for University College undergraduate and graduate courses can be found online on our Tuition & Financial Aid webpage.

Financial Assistance

University College students — part-time and full-time — who are enrolled in a degree or certificate program may be eligible for financial assistance in the form of grants, loans and scholarships. Students can learn more about financial assistance options and obtain the appropriate forms by visiting our Financial Aid webpage or by sending an email to the financial aid coordinator in University College. If students receive any type of financial assistance through University College, they must meet the academic standing and satisfactory progress requirements as defined by the particular assistance program and Student Financial Services.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

Federal and state regulations require that educational institutions measure students’ academic progress toward a declared educational objective. To remain eligible and retain disbursed federal and state financial aid, students must maintain satisfactory academic progress. To remain in good standing, students must satisfy the following requirements:

- Undergraduate students must be on pace to complete their program by attempting no more than 150% of the credits required to meet their program requirements with a minimum 2.0 grade-point average.
- Graduate students must be on pace to complete their program by attempting no more than 150% of the credits required to meet their program requirements with a minimum 3.0 grade-point average.

In addition, all students receiving financial aid are reviewed on a case-by-case basis to ensure that a significant portion of the courses in which the students are enrolled have been successfully completed.

Other Financial Assistance and Payment Options

Half Tuition for Individuals 60 Years Old and Older: This discount applies to most University College for-credit courses. Verification of age must be provided at the time of registration.

Washington University Employees: Washington University provides its employees with tuition assistance to foster their continuing education. Full-time employees with one year of service are eligible for 100% tuition remission on for-credit undergraduate courses and 50% tuition remission on for-credit graduate courses that start at 4 p.m. or later. Remission covers a maximum of 7 credits per semester, and the student must obtain a passing grade to retain the tuition remission. For more information, visit our Employee Tuition Assistance webpage.

Postdoctoral Appointees: Postdoctoral appointees appointed under the Postdoctoral Education Policy (effective July 1, 2004) having the titles of Postdoctoral Research Associate or Scholar are eligible for the Postdoctoral Tuition Plan. Remission covers a maximum of 4 credits per semester for undergraduate-level courses (400 and below) for career development purposes only. A passing grade in the course is required for the student to retain the tuition remission. For more information, visit our Employee Tuition Assistance webpage.
Company-Sponsored Tuition Payment Plans: Many companies in the St. Louis area pay all or part of their employees' tuition. Individuals should contact their supervisor or human resources department at their place of employment to determine if a tuition reimbursement plan is available. If their employer agrees to pay all or part of their tuition, they should submit their company's tuition reimbursement policy, verification of their eligibility, and the University College Intent to Pay form. Payment is due approximately 30 days after the end of the semester. This payment option is not available during the summer. For more information, visit our Tuition & Fee Information webpage (http://ucollege.wustl.edu/tuition-aid/tuition).

St. Louis Area City & School District Tuition Assistance: Individuals working in full-time positions in government departments or school districts for the City of Clayton, University City, St. Louis City, and St. Louis County are eligible to take classes at a substantially reduced rate after six months of service with their employers. St. Louis City charter school employees are also eligible. Learn more about the St. Louis Area City & School District Tuition Assistance program (https://ucollege.wustl.edu/tuition-aid/financial-aid/assistance-remissions/stl-city-school-district).

Veterans: Individuals attending under the VA program must submit a Certificate of Eligibility, and those using Post-9/11 benefits must apply or be accepted to a degree or certificate program. University College participates in the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program, which was established in 2008. Those who qualify for the Yellow Ribbon benefits can attend University College full time with no out-of-pocket expenses for tuition and mandatory fees. For more information, visit our Veterans Benefits webpage (http://ucollege.wustl.edu/tuition-aid/financial-aid/veterans-benefits).