Financial Information for the School of Medicine

Health Professions

The following policy applies to students pursing graduate/professional training in Applied Health Behavior Research (p. 2), Audiology and Communication Sciences (p. 2), Biology and Biomedical Sciences (p. 2), Biomedical Engineering (p. 2), Biostatistics (p. 2), Clinical Investigation (p. 2), Medical Physics (https://radonc.wustl.edu/education/master-of-science-in-medical-physics/), Occupational Therapy (p. 3), Physical Therapy (p. 3), Population Health Sciences (p. 3), and Public Health (p. 3).

General Information

Registration, Payments, and Withdrawal & Refunds Policy

The university billing system provides a central financial account against which most student expenses incurred at the university will be posted, including but not limited to tuition, housing charges, parking and library fines. This policy, when referring to tuition and other charges, includes any and all charges posted to this account.

All payments of tuition and other university charges are due and payable on the dates specified in the published calendars of the programs in the School of Medicine. Failure of a student to register when required, and pay tuition and other charges incurred on or before the date specified in the published calendar, may result in a late fee of $50 to be added to the amount due. The late fee may be imposed seven days after the due date if full payment has not been received. Tuition and other charges are usually payable twice a year, at the start of the academic year, and again at the middle of the academic year, as listed on the schedule on the academic calendar.

In addition to the $50 late fee, any payment due from the student and not paid by the specified date will accrue interest at the current market rate in effect on the first business day of the month in which the payment is due. This fee will be imposed on any accounts not paid in full within 30 days of the due date. Any amount not paid when due (plus accrued interest thereon) must be paid in full within three months of the due date to avoid potential suspension from classes, unless a deferred payment is approved by the registrar due to extenuating circumstances.

If a student fails to make payments within three months of the original due date, the school will not release the student's academic record, grade reports or transcript, pending settlement of the unpaid account. A student who has not satisfied all of their delinquent financial obligations to Washington University (e.g., tuition, university housing, parking) one month before the end of the academic year will not be allowed to progress to the next academic year, nor can they be issued a diploma.

Federal financial aid funds for the next academic year cannot be disbursed until all prior year balances are paid in full.

Students who rely on financial aid funds to meet their obligations should submit their applications for processing according to application deadlines published by the Office of Student Financial Planning. Deadlines allow for receipt of financial aid funds by payment due dates if applications are filed by the deadline. The Office of Student Financial Planning will assist students with loan applications and financial planning upon request.

A student who withdraws or takes a leave of absence from the school will receive a pro rata refund of tuition and appropriate fees. The refund will be based on the ratio of the class days enrolled (from the first day of classes to the termination date) to the total number of class days in the term for which tuition and fees were paid. It is understood that the date on which a student formally notifies the Registrar’s Office in writing of the decision to withdraw or take a leave of absence from the School of Medicine shall be regarded as the termination date, with no retroactive clause to be accepted. A prospective date will be accepted, however. If tuition and fees were paid entirely or in part by financial aid from the school, the refund will be applied first to the total repayment of the accounts from which financial aid was drawn, with any remaining refund balance given to the student. Financial aid received in excess of the costs of tuition and fees must be refunded by the student to the school on the same pro rata basis as calculated for the tuition refund outlined above, per “Return of Title IV” federal guidelines. Any questions about these policies may be directed to either the Office of the Registrar or Student Financial Planning.

Standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Eligibility

All Non-MD Students: The minimum GPA requirements needed to maintain eligibility for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) are are dictated by the specific program of study. In each case, per the requirements of 34 C.F.R. 668.34(a)(4)(ii), the federal student aid program requires a minimum of a C average to maintain eligibility for aid, but an individual degree or certificate program may have a higher minimum GPA for federal Satisfactory Academic Progress. If a student’s grades fall below the required GPA for the program when the SAP review is performed, the student is not considered to be maintaining SAP. Students enrolled in various School of Medicine degree programs should refer to the specific policies.

SAP is evaluated at the end of each semester or term. To be considered to be maintaining SAP and thus be eligible for federal financial aid, a student must maintain the program’s minimum program requirements for cumulative GPA and pace (i.e., credit earned for at least 67% of the credits attempted). The degree must also be completed within the maximum time frame allowed for the program (i.e., no more than 150% of the credits required). For example, if the program requires 120 credits to complete, the student must be able to complete the program by attempting no more than 180 credits. To determine how many credits are required to complete the program, the student should consult the school’s Bulletin. If the student cannot complete the program without attempting more than 150% of the credits required, the student is not considered to be maintaining SAP.

Students who fail to meet SAP requirements after one semester will be placed on a "warning." Students on a warning will continue to be eligible to receive aid for the following semester or term. Students not meeting SAP at the end of the warning will be notified of their loss of aid eligibility by the Office of Student Financial Planning via their Washington University e-mail address. A student who becomes ineligible for aid by failure to meet SAP requirements may also appeal to reestablish aid eligibility. The student’s appeal will be reviewed by the school’s dean’s office and the Office of Student Financial Planning. An appeal must contain the extenuating circumstances surrounding the failure to meet SAP, such as illness, injury, or other circumstances beyond the student’s control.

Program Information

Applied Health Behavior

The Applied Health Behavior programs follow the standard tuition rate for graduate programs offered through the School of Medicine, which increases incrementally each year. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Applied Health Behavior program manager (ahbr@email.wustl.edu).

Audiology and Communication Sciences

For more information about the Audiology and Communication Sciences program, including tuition and fees, please visit the Audiology and Communication Sciences (https://pacs.wustl.edu/admissions/tuition-and-financial-aid/) website.

Biological and Biomedical Sciences

Students admitted to the Division of Biology & Biomedical Sciences (DBBS) graduate programs are guaranteed full stipend and tuition support contingent upon satisfactory performance. The stipend for the 2021-22 academic year is $32,500. In addition, health coverage, disability, and life insurance are also provided. Please visit the DBBS website (http://dbbs.wustl.edu/Pages/) for additional information.

Biomedical Engineering

For more information about the Biomedical Engineering (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/engineering/biomedical/) program, including tuition and fees, please visit the McKelvey School of Engineering Bulletin.

Biostatistics

For tuition information, please visit our Biostatistics website (https://biostatistics.wustl.edu/education/master-of-science-in-biostatistics-msibs/tuition-and-financial-aid/), contact the program manager at 314-362-1384, send an email to biostat-msibs@email.wustl.edu, or write to the following address:

MSIBS Program
Division of Biostatistics
CB 8067
660 S. Euclid Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63110-1093
Fax: 314-362-2693

Clinical Investigation

MSCI programs follow the standard tuition rate for graduate programs offered through the School of Medicine, which increases incrementally each year. MSCI courses are eligible for the Washington University Human Resources Tuition Assistance Program for qualifying staff and faculty. Visit the Clinical Research Training Center (https://crtc.wustl.edu/courses/class-list/tuition/) website for additional tuition information.

Doctor of Philosophy

For more information about the Doctor of Philosophy program, including tuition and fees, please visit the Graduate School website (http://graduateschool.wustl.edu).
Genetic Epidemiology

For tuition information, please visit the Division of Biostatistics website (https://biostatistics.wustl.edu/education/), contact the program manager at 314-362-1384, send an email to biostats-msibs@email.wustl.edu, or write to the following address:

MSIBS Program  
Division of Biostatistics  
CB 8067  
660 S. Euclid Ave.  
St. Louis, MO 63110-1093  
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Occupational Therapy

The total cost of tuition for the incoming MSOT class in fall 2021 is $100,800. This breaks down to $16,800 × five semesters and $8,400 × two fieldwork experiences.

The total cost of tuition for the incoming OTD class in fall 2021 is $133,560. This breaks down to $16,800 × six semesters, $8,400 × two fieldwork experiences, and $15,960 for one doctoral capstone.

Part-time tuition is $1,260 per credit unit.

Physical Therapy

- Professional DPT Curriculum = $21,602 per semester  
- PhD in Movement Science Curriculum = $28,150 per semester

Population Health Sciences

For more information about the Population Health Sciences program (http://mphs.wustl.edu/), including tuition and fees, please visit the Population Health Sciences website (http://mphs.wustl.edu/Admissions/Tuition/).

Public Health

For more information about the Public Health program — including tuition, fees, and financial aid — please visit the Graduate School website (http://graduateschool.wustl.edu).