

Where's My Tuition Money Going at Maryland?

It's important to note that in addition to not earning academic credit, or not being able to declare a major, there is a financial stake in not earning acceptable grades in college. Some students may have their parents pay for their education, some may have to work their way through school, and some students may take out loans. Not matter what the resource, poor results in school have a financial implication. Beyond academics, being involved in your school's community also has a financial implication.

Directions: Read through the list below, and work out any numbers and money it may cost you as a student, if you are missing class, not passing a class, or even not taking advantage of everything else Maryland has to offer. Answer questions at end. What's it cost to "NOT" do these things? This is "IF NOT" money.

* Form assumes a full-time student, tuition only. (15 credits) Modify for different credit levels and specifics.

Tuition/Fee (per semester)

"IF NOT" money

Full Time 12+ credits (MD Resident)	\$3,695.00
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<p><i>This is how much it costs to go to class and earn credits toward graduation.</i></p>	<p>\$308/credit \$924/per class \$20.53/per class period</p>	<p>Have you gone to every class session? _____ If not, how many classes have you missed? _____ How many classes have you slept through? _____</p>
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Multiply number missed/slept through times \$20.53 X _____

Full Time 12+ (Non MD resident)	\$13,288.00
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<p><i>This is how much it costs to go to class and earn credits toward graduation.</i></p>	<p>\$1108.00/credit \$3324.00/per class \$73.86/per class period</p>	<p>Have you gone to every class session? _____ If not how many classes have you miss? _____ How many classes have you slept through? _____</p>
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Multiply number missed/slept through times \$73.86 X _____

Technology Fee	\$132.00
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Supports the improvement of the computer systems on campus.

Athletics	\$203.19
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<p><i>Charge for students to support the Department of Athletics. Students are encouraged to participate or attend contests.</i></p>	<p>Are you going to football, basketball, etc. games? _____ If not, you've lost \$203.19.</p>
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Place \$203.19 in box if you are not attending any games.

Shuttle Bus	\$88.60
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<p><i>Supports the shuttle bus system.</i></p>	<p>Do you use the Shuttle Bus? _____ If not, you've lost \$88.60</p>
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Place \$88.60 in the box if you don't use the shuttle.

Stamp Union Fee	\$154.12
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<p><i>Used to expand recreational facilities and Stamp Union services.</i></p>	<p>Do you use the Union or recreational facilities? _____ If not, you've lost \$154.12</p>
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Place \$154.12 in the box if you're not involved with or using recreational facilities.

Student Activity	\$37.02
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<p><i>Sponsors Student Government and supports various student activities, student publications and cultural programs.</i></p>	<p>Are you getting involved in SG, student activities or publications? _____ If not, you've lost \$37.02</p>
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Place \$37.02 in the box if you're not involved.

Recreation Building	\$181.00
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<p><i>Supports construction and operation of Ritchie Coliseum and the Campus Recreation Center.</i></p>	<p>Do you use the Recreation Center? _____ If not, you've lost \$181.00</p>
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Place \$181.00 in the box if you're not involved.

Performing Arts	\$36.92
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<p><i>Goes to support the operation of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.</i></p>	<p>Do you go to shows at the PAC? _____ If not, you've lost \$36.92</p>
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Place \$36.92 in the box if you're staying at home.

Sustainability Fee	\$6.00
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This is not explained on the Fees chart in the Registrar's Financials page on Testudo.

Health Center	\$38.02
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This supports the Health Center and is not your health insurance. All students are required to have separate comprehensive health insurance. Do you use the Health Center? _____
If not, you've lost \$38.02

Auxiliary Facilities	\$9.04
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This fee is paid into a fund that is used for capital improvement, expansion, and construction of various campus facilities such as open recreation areas (tennis courts, basketball courts, etc.), transportation alternatives, and the Stamp Student Union.

Total Tuition and Fees (MD Resident) \$4,580.91
Total Tuition and Fees (Non MD Resident) \$14,173.91

TOTAL \$
"IF NOT," lost money...per semester!

In addition to tuition and mandatory fees, you may be paying for on-campus or off-campus housing. Students have to eat, so you may be paying for dining services or eating off campus. How much are you spending on that each semester?

Living on Campus?

Room, Telecommunications and Cable Fee \$3,076.50

Eating on campus?

Dining Services \$2063.50 - \$2338.50

TOTAL PER SEMESTER?

Total Tuition, Fees, Food and Housing (MD Resident) \$9,720.91 PER semester
Total Tuition, Fees, Food and Housing (Non-MD) \$19,313.91 PER semester

TOTAL PER DEGREE?

Over four years, an education at Maryland for an in-state student may reach -----> \$77,767.28

Over four years, an education at Maryland for an out-of-state student may reach -----> \$154,511.28

Please respond to the following for your next advising meeting:

1. Does seeing the cost of your education each semester motivate you to want to seek out resources on campus to assist you with succeeding?
2. What resources do you think you are wasting, if any, during the semester?
3. Does seeing the breakdown of fees on campus urge you to be more involved in your school and education?

FACT:

From "Higher Education Can Pay Off for a Lifetime" -Romy Robitzky, ABC News

- * The average high school graduate will earn an average annual income of \$30.109 or \$1.2 million in a lifetime.
- * The average college graduate will net nearly twice as much, \$51,097 annually or \$2.04 million in a lifetime.

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From "Education Pays: the Benefits of Higher Education for Individuals Study from College Board.

- * College-educated adults are less likely than others to be obese. Their children are also less likely to be obese.

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- * From 1998 to 2008, smoking rates declined 14% to 9% for adults with B.A. Degrees.
- * From 1998 to 2008, smoking rates declined 29% to 27% for adults with high school only educations.