

**University of Iowa  
Common Fees  
Glossary**

**Application Fees (non-refundable)**

Undergraduate Domestic Student and Non-Degree Student

The application fee is charged to individuals applying for admission to the University of Iowa. The fee is charged to cover administrative costs such as data processing, personnel, word processing, and postage. The application fee is non-refundable. Non-degree students range from high school students taking university courses, to visiting students enrolled in regular courses or in a study abroad program, to students working on teaching certification or prerequisite coursework for professional colleges, or to students just taking courses for pleasure. These applications can take nearly as much processing and staff time as applications submitted by degree-seeking students.

Undergraduate International Student

This application fee is charged to non-immigrants applying for admission to the University of Iowa. This fee is charged to cover administrative costs such as data processing, personnel, word processing, and postage. These individuals are charged a higher rate because of the additional costs associated with the evaluation of foreign academic records, the need to maintain special resource materials and immigration forms, and increased postage for overseas mailings. The application fee is non-refundable.

Graduate/Professional Domestic Student

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Graduate/Professional International Student

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PharmD Student

The College of Pharmacy charges a fee to cover the costs of its enhanced application/admissions process, which is in addition to the standard UI application fee. Pharmacy currently admits students through the Pharmacy College Admission Service (PCAS) system which is available through the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). Through this service, applicants apply to the central service and direct their applications to pharmacy schools of their choosing. After Pharmacy determines which students are to be admitted, information is sent to the UI Admissions office, which then processes the students into the UI system and prepares their file for graduation tracking.

### Iowa Dental Advanced Standing Program Applicant (NEW)

Applicants to the Iowa Dental Advanced Standing Program (IDASP) are dentists trained outside the US and Canada who are seeking to earn a US accredited DDS degree. These foreign trained dentists must complete an initial application through a centralized service. Once applicants have been determined to be eligible for an onsite interview, they must complete a supplemental University application. The time and extensive review required to gather and interpret information from foreign applicants significantly exceeds the time required for review of domestic applications. Increased staff and faculty time will add expense to the IDASP application process.

### **Application Fees (non-refundable) – continued**

#### Re-Entry Fee

The re-entry application fee is assessed to a returning student who has not been enrolled for three consecutive sessions and wishes to re-enroll in the University.

### **Applied Music Fees**

Music fees are charged (in addition to regular tuition and fees) to students receiving private music instruction from University of Iowa faculty. The fee offsets the costs of one-on-one instruction.

### **Billing Fees**

#### Deferred

This administrative charge is assessed to those students who do not pay their *full* tuition, room and board charges in August for fall semester and January for spring semester. This permits students to spread payment over three installments. The fee helps defray the extra data processing involved in carrying and billing the charges over a longer period of time, as well as the extra personnel required in the Treasurer's Office to handle the traffic involved with three tuition payments per semester instead of one.

### **Continuing Education (per credit hour)**

Listed are the tuition rates for students enrolled in continuing education/extension courses or programs offered by the University. The rates are on a per credit hour basis. *(See also University/Program Specific fees for college-specific extension course fees/tuition or off-campus fees/tuition charges.)*

### **Departmental Exam for Credit Fee (per exam)**

This fee covers the expenses of creating or purchasing, administering, and scoring special examinations to determine whether students may receive test-out credit for a course in which they are not formally enrolled.

### **Employer Reimbursement Deferred Billing Fee**

This fee is assessed to those students who have demonstrated a valid employer reimbursement contract and who desire the deferment of designated approved tuition and fees. The designated approved tuition and fees will be due and payable 30 days after the presentation of grades to students. In providing this option, students who have a valid agreement with their employers can avoid registration holds or other unnecessary financial burdens.

## **Graduate College Fees**

### Thesis Fees – Master’s Thesis Publication Fee

All Master’s thesis candidates are assessed a publication fee for the microfilming and archiving of the thesis. This fee is in addition to the thesis fee.

### Thesis Fees - PhD, Doctorate of Musical Arts (DMA)

All PhD and Doctor of Musical Arts candidates are assessed a fee to cover microfilming of the thesis, web access and distribution, archiving, and publication in Dissertation Abstracts International.

### Thesis Fees – Master’s/Doctorate

This nonrefundable fee is charged to any student who submits a Master’s degree thesis to the Graduate College. This fee helps defray costs associated with providing part-time support for the thesis office, electronic thesis administration, and other administrative costs.

## **Late Fee for Applying after Deadline**

This fee is assessed to students who submit an application for graduation after the published deadline.

## **ID Card Replacement Fee**

All students receive their first student identification card free of charge. Cardholders who have lost or misplaced their identification card are assessed a fee to cover the cost of replacement.

## **Lakeside Lab (per credit hour) (5 weeks)**

Tuition rates for the students enrolled in extension/continuing education courses offered by the University at the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory campus.

## **Late Payment of Fees and Charges (formerly Reinstatement Fee)**

Restrictions are placed on a student’s registration and charging ability when the minimum payment is not made by the due date. The fee, formerly referred to as a reinstatement fee, is assessed to lift the restrictions.

## **New Student Programs/Matriculation Fees**

The Matriculation Fee (formerly called Orientation Fee) pays for programming expenses for orienting new freshmen and new transfer students and their parents to the University, and for enrolling them in their classes. Orientation programs are organized by the Orientation Office within Admissions with major contributions from Academic Advising (formal programs for students and parents plus individual advising), Evaluation and Examination Services (placement exams for mathematics, foreign language, and chemistry), the Office of International Students and Scholars (specialized transition services to new international students) and Student Financial Aid (aid advising and financial management).

### International Student Orientation (additional program)

The Office of International Student and Scholars (OISS) provides an extensive orientation program for all new international students, undergraduate, graduate, and professional. This program addresses the unique legal and cross-cultural issues encountered by international students. The program takes place prior to the standard undergraduate orientation and academic advising program which is required of all new undergraduates (including international undergraduates) and is designed to supplement that program. The fee allows OISS to continue to provide the necessary transition services to help new international students, both graduate and undergraduate, to be successful at the University. The fee is charged to all new undergraduate degree-seeking students in F or J immigration status.

## Refund Schedule Fees

The tuition assessment for regular full semester courses is set at the end of the second week of the semester. The number of credits for which a student is enrolled at the end of the second week determines the tuition assessment. Students adding additional credits after that date have the appropriate additional tuition assessed. This policy affects students who are enrolled in at least one course and does not affect the policies approved for students withdrawing from the University.

### Refund Schedule – Withdrawal of Entire Registration

Before the First Day of Class	100%
First Week	90%
Second Week	75%
Third Week	50%
Fourth Week	25%
After Fourth Week	0%

### Refund Schedule - Reduced Load (reduction of hours)

Drop course within First Two Weeks	100%
Drop course After Second Week	0%

### Refund Schedule Fees – Executive and Professional MBA Programs (NEW)

Due to the large number of off-cycle courses offered through the Executive and Professional MBA programs, a separate refund schedule is needed for these programs. Courses meet the University's contact hour requirements but are delivered in a condensed period of time, anywhere from 3 to 12 weeks, and often begin many weeks into a traditional academic semester. The standard University schedule does not currently adjust for the unique timing of these courses.

Day before 1st day of class	100%
1st class through day prior to 2nd class	90%
2nd class through day prior to 3rd class	75%
3rd class through day prior to 4th class	50%
4th class through day prior to 5th class	25%
Day of 5th class and after	0%

## Registration Fees

### Doctoral Post Comprehensive or Prelim/Master's Final

The doctoral post-comprehensive fee is charged to post-comprehensive doctoral students who experience an unavoidable interruption in their academic progress, but must maintain continuous enrollment. The master's final fee is charged to master's students who experience an unavoidable interruption in their academic work, but must be registered. In both cases, students charged this fee are not receiving instruction from the institution.

### Late Registration

This fee is assessed to students who do not register for classes before the 11<sup>th</sup> day of class. This fee is an administrative charge to encourage students to register for classes in a timely manner so as to provide enrollment management data to administrative areas who can make decisions on how to best utilize university resources.

Day 11 onward	\$100
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**Reissue Check Fee / Returned Check/Debit Fee**

This Reissue Check Fee is assessed to individuals who request the issuance of a duplicate check. This charge helps defray the personnel time involved in researching the check, the cost of printing a new check, as well as bank costs. The Returned Check / Debit Fee is a surcharge against the maker of a dishonored check or against the person who authorizes a direct debit to an account with insufficient funds or an account that has been closed.

**University Records and Documents Fee**

This fee combines heretofore separately assessed fees for services provided by the University Registrar. Fees eliminated by this one-time fee include: diploma replacement fee, fax fee, graduation/degree application fee, drop/add fee, late registration (days 1-10) and the transcript fee. The fee is assessed at first enrollment for both degree seeking students and non-degree seeking students. Students and alumni are provided transcript services past graduation at no additional charge.

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**Admission/Tuition Deposit Fees**

Some colleges/programs require applicants who are accepted into the program to submit a deposit to ensure that only students who are genuinely interested in enrolling at Iowa accept the offer of admission. At Iowa, the Dentistry DDS, Physical Therapy DPT, Law JD, MBA, Medicine MD, PharmD, Radiation Sciences, and Nuclear Medicine Technology programs have admission/tuition deposit fees. The Physician Assistant programs has a two-stage admission/tuition deposit, the first deposit is due within two weeks of acceptance with the second deposit due by May 1 of the admission year.

**Background Check Fee - Students/Patient Care**

This fee is charged to conduct criminal background checks for all students involved in patient care. These students must undergo a criminal background check prior to beginning clinical rotations.

**CLEP Score Report Fee**

A UI student may request that a copy of their CLEP score report be mailed to another institution. This fee covers the cost of processing the request.

**Tippie College of Business**

Executive MBA Program

This program fee for the Executive MBA program is a 2-year total charge.

Extension Courses (per credit hour)

Listed are the tuition rates for students enrolled in extension/continuing education courses or programs offered by the Tippie College of Business. Included in the listing are: MBA for Professionals & Managers, CIMBA (Consortium Institute for Management & Business Analysis), Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics, and MS degree in Business Analytics. The rates are on a per credit hour basis.

**College of Dentistry**

American Student Dental Association Dues

This fee represents the dues for DDS students to belong to the American Dental Education Association. It is merely a pass through from the national group to the students.

Certificate Programs (per year)

The College of Dentistry charges a certificate fee to those students enrolled in the listed specialized programs.

Instrument Management System Fee

This fee, applicable to DDS and graduate students, covers the management, sterilization and replacement of dental equipment used in the treatment of patients.

Endodontics - The College of Dentistry has established an instrument/imaging/device fee for graduate students in Endodontics. In order to remain one of the top Endodontics graduate programs in the country, it is imperative that cutting edge technology related to instrumentation, imaging and devices be maintained. The majority of programs across the country require their residents purchase their own instruments and materials thereby limiting learning experiences and exposure to different techniques. This fee is based upon the costs incurred by the College to provide its students with hands-on training with the very latest technology.

#### Laboratory Supplies Fee (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year)

This fee covers supplies (teeth, burs, etc.) used by DDS students in the simulation clinic during the first 2 years of dental school. The simulation clinic utilizes mannequins to simulate patient experiences. The students develop the technical skills in this environment before moving on to actual patient care.

#### Professional Liability Insurance (4<sup>th</sup> year)

This fee covers DDS students for malpractice while they serve their extramural rotations outside of the college.

#### Iowa Dental Advanced Standing Program Interview and Evaluation (NEW)

Applicants to the Iowa Dental Advanced Standing Program (IDASP) have been trained in foreign dental schools. Training and skill levels vary widely between dental schools. To determine the applicant's knowledge, technical skills and communications skills an extensive personal interview is required. The interview process for the DDS program is one-half day. By contrast, the IDASP interview will be conducted over three days. This interview will require not only expense related to materials and supplies but also significant faculty time. Faculty interviews will be conducted on day one, knowledge exams will be administered on day two. These exams assess the applicant's knowledge in all areas of dentistry and represent the core knowledge expected of traditional students when they enter the third year in their DDS education. Day three will give the applicants the opportunity to demonstrate their hand skills by completing specific simulations exercises. This fee is necessary to cover the costs associated with this extensive interview process.

### **College of Liberal Arts & Sciences**

#### Applied Dance

The fee is charged to students in applied dance classes and is used to purchase specialized dance studio supplies, equipment, maintenance of the specialized equipment and the costs of musicians who accompany in applied dance classes.

### **College of Education**

#### Education - e-Portfolio (per selected course)

This fee is utilized to assist students in the College of Education to develop their "e-portfolio," a web-based system designed to meet mandated standards and performance assessment requirements. It combines the integration of technologies, academic coursework, field experience, and a skills-based hiring tool for professional advancement.

#### REACH Program

The University of Iowa R·E·A·C·H (Realizing Educational and Career Hopes) program is a unique two-year certificate program for young adults with multiple learning and cognitive disabilities; a third-year option is also available. The R·E·A·C·H Program combines academic instruction, career experiences, community involvement, and residential life to create a dynamic collegiate experience. Through the R·E·A·C·H Program, students are empowered and provided with the skills necessary to become independent, productive, and fully participating adults living and working in the community. R·E·A·C·H Program fees include a processing fee to evaluate candidates for this program and an acceptance fee for those students who are accepted into the program who wish to evidence their intent to actually enroll in the program. A portion of the acceptance fee is used to offset a portion of the first semester's program costs.

## **Carver College of Medicine**

Listed is the tuition rate for students enrolled in the extension course offered by the College – Medical Physiology Online. The rate is on a per credit hour basis.

### Professional Liability Insurance (2<sup>nd</sup>, 3rd and 4th year MD students)

Medical students interact with patients during their training and are routinely required by out-of-state health facilities to have medical liability insurance during their rotations at these out-of-state locations. These students also see patients at UIHC and other in-state locations. The state of Iowa insures employees working at state institutions such as UIHC, however students are not considered employees in this setting; thus, the need for this fee to fund liability coverage for medical students.

### Radiation Sciences Clinical Assessment Fee

The Radiation Sciences baccalaureate program within the Carver College of Medicine has established a clinical assessment fee. This fee is used to pay for a clinical performance evaluation and time tracking program that is provided by a third-party vendor. The proprietary software provides students and faculty with a number of tools that increase the efficiency of the clinical performance evaluation process and increases the ease and consistency in which these processes are carried out.

### Professional Liability Insurance – Physician Assistant Program (NEW)

Students in the Physician Assistant Program participate in clinical rotations in their fifth and sixth semesters. Following the precedent for both MD and DDS students, this fee covers the cost of professional liability insurance for these students.

## **College of Nursing**

### Nursing Simulation Lab Equipment Fee (NEW)

This fee addresses the non-consumable equipment needs of the Nursing Clinical Education Center (NCEC). The simulated clinical areas in the NCEC contain high-fidelity patient mannequins for which cases unfold based upon realistic patient care situations. Simulated data drives the mannequins' physiology, and responses to the student caretaker's interventions. As case scenarios evolve through the semester, students can continue to use the skills laboratory to refresh or increase their competency level at every step in the educational program.

Many of the items wear out from heavy use. Even equipment such as hospital beds will have unique technology aspects which must be updated regularly, meaning they have an "educational lifespan" which may be shorter or longer than that assigned for tax purposes. The equipment items have useful "educational lives" from one (replacement arms) to twenty years (commodes), with the average life being 9.9 years. Assigning a useful "educational life" allows students to learn on up-to-date equipment, while at the same time maintaining fiscal responsibility. The fee is derived by taking each piece of equipment, assigning an educational lifespan in years (when possible we used the UI Capital Assets Management lifespan), then using a depreciation model to figure the replacement costs by year and treating those replacement costs as expected future expenditures. These values are applied to a capital expense model to estimate future income needs.

The Student Professional Liability Insurance Fee is designed to provide nursing students with the required personal liability insurance at a much lower rate than rates available to students individually.

National Student Nurse Association Dues are assessed to nursing students to gain membership to the NSNA, a national organization that mentors the professional development of future registered nurses and facilitates their entrance into the profession by providing educational resources, leadership opportunities, and career guidance. Students may opt of this fee.

## **College of Public Health**

### Dual Degree Fee for MPH/DVM Students

Since 2003, the UI College of Public Health (CPH) has offered a combined Master of Public Health/Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (MPH/DVM) degree program in collaboration with Iowa State University (ISU). UI Master of Public Health students who are not in combined programs are assessed a tuition supplement of \$6000. Since the MPH/DVM combined students do not pay a tuition supplement when they are enrolled at ISU, they are only being assessed half of the total tuition supplement (\$3000) for the UI summer sessions. However, as MPH students, they derive the same benefits from the tuition supplement funds as students who pay the full amount.

To assure student equity and to recover funding essential to the mission of the MPH program, students in the combined MPH/DVM program are assessed a flat fee of \$3000 to make up the difference between the actual tuition supplement collected (\$3000) and the total tuition supplement other students pay (\$6000). A portion of this fee is assessed each semester a student enrolls at UI and is not paying UI tuition. Since students generally take six 3 credit hour courses in this manner, a flat fee of \$500 is assessed for each semester the student takes a 3 credit hour course at UI, when also enrolled at ISU ( $\$500 \times 6 = \$3000$ ).

### Dual Degree Fee for MPH Students in Combined SUI Degree Program

The UI College of Public Health Master of Public Health (MPH) program offers combined degrees with the UI Colleges of Law, Pharmacy, Medicine, and Nursing. MPH students who are not in combined programs are assessed a tuition supplement of approximately \$6,000 over the course of their studies. Law, Pharmacy, Medicine and Nursing combined students do not pay the MPH tuition supplement since they are assessed tuition for their respective primary degree. However, as MPH students, they derive the same benefits from the tuition supplement funds as non-combined MPH students. To assure student equity and to recover funding essential to the mission of the MPH program, all MPH students in a combined SUI degree program are assessed a flat fee of \$500 per semester whenever the student is enrolled in MPH courses and not designated as an MPH student for tuition purposes.

### EMHA – Executive Master of Health Administration

The College of Public Health has established a fee for the Executive Master of Health Administration program (EMHA). The EMHA requires 45 hours of course credit and is typically achieved in two years. Courses are taught one at a time by faculty on-campus and supplemented by on-line resources. The teaching approach is case- and team-focused, with courses taught in the Spring and Fall semesters as well as during the Summer sessions.

The EMHA program is offered in a format that accommodates working students' necessary commitments to employment while pursuing a graduate degree in health administration. The mission of the EMHA program is to provide working professionals with advanced knowledge and skills in the administration of healthcare organizations, emphasizing the leadership of inter-professional teams. An all-inclusive fee covers tuition, books, supplies, laptop computer, software, parking, meals, lodging, and participation in professional development activities.

### Extension Courses (off-campus only) (per credit hour)

The College of Public Health offers off-campus undergraduate and graduate courses leading to graduate and professional degrees (e.g.: Masters of Health Administration, Masters of Public Health). Tuition rates are listed.

**Hospital Certificate Technology Programs** (per year)

Fee charged to students enrolled in UI Health Care Technology certificate programs.

**International Students and Scholars**English Proficiency Examination

This fee covers the cost of administering the English Proficiency Evaluation (EPE) examination to new students whose first language is not English, to ensure that they have the requisite English language proficiency to succeed academically at UI.

Fall and Spring Semesters/Summer Session

This administrative fee provides funding for the special services required by international students, including immigration and personal advising, programming and outreach. The fee is charged to all students attending the UI in an education (F or J) immigration status.

**Study Abroad Fees**Administrative Fee

This fee is assessed to students participating in a group study abroad program. This fee is in addition to the program fee they must pay. It covers various administrative costs associated with these programs, such as registration and special processing, which creates additional workload. The fee is greater for Non University of Iowa students.

Participation Fee

This fee is assessed when a student applies to participate in a University of Iowa-sponsored study abroad program. The fee covers the costs associated with processing applications and to insure that the student has an investment in participation before applying for a study abroad program.

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