Tuition, Fees & Residency

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Cost of an Academic Year's Work

The WVU Potomac State College Admissions Office (http://potomacstatecollege.edu/admissions) provides an estimate of the total cost of attendance (http://potomacstatecollege.edu/admissions/costs_tuition_and_fees) for an academic year. This estimate includes University tuition and fees and estimated campus room and board, but may not include indirect educational expenses such as book and supplies, transportation, and personal expenses.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees structures vary by residency classification and academic program at WVU Potomac State College. Students are charged for University tuition and University fees. In some cases, students are charged an additional fee for online courses or programs. Senior citizens (https://admissions.wvu.edu/how-to-apply/senior-citizen-students) of West Virginia (age 65 and older) may take courses at WVU for reduced tuition and fees.

Identification Card

Registered students are eligible for an identification card (called the Catamount Card or Mountaineer Card (https://it.wvu.edu/services/mountaineer-card-services) at the Morgantown location). The Mountaineer Card gives access to certain activities and privileges at the Morgantown location. At the Keyser location, students have free access to the Student Union and athletic events by using their ID card.

WVU reserves the right to refuse issuance of an identification card and misuse may result in confiscation of the card. Lost or broken cards can be replaced for a fee.

Residency Classification

The Residency Policy is established by BOG (https://policies.wvu.edu/finalized-bog-rules) Academics Rule 2.4, Residency Status for Admission, Tuition, and Fee Purposes. The Office of Enrollment Services assigns students a residency classification for admission, tuition, and fee purposes. Students who are legal residents of West Virginia pay “resident” tuition and fees at WVU; students who are residents of other states and nations pay “non-resident” tuition and fees. Students who are residents of identified metro counties pay “metro” tuition and fees. The metro counties are Allegany County, MD; Garrett County, MD; Bedford County, PA; Fayette County, PA; Somerset County, PA; Frederick County, VA.

Tuition and Fee Regulations

All tuition and fees are payable to the WVU Mountaineer Hub (http://mountaineerhub.wvu.edu) prior to the first day of each term. Policies are in place concerning late fees, financial holds, removal from classes, and collections (http://studentaccounts.wvu.edu/policies). Students can review their charges, waivers (university tuition, housing, or dining), scholarships, and payments online through the STAR Information System, which can be accessed through the WVU Portal at portal.wvu.edu. Payments can also be made through the WVU Portal. A processing fee is added to credit card payments.

Arrangements can be made with the WVU Mountaineer Hub for payment from officially accepted scholarships, loan funds, grants, or contracts. The WVU Mountaineer Hub also provides information concerning refunds.

WVU places restrictions on students who have outstanding debts to the University. Restrictions may include, but are not limited to, the withholding of a student’s registration, diploma, or transcript. No degree is conferred and no transcripts are issued to any student before payment is made for all tuition, fees, and other indebtedness to any unit of the University. The WVU Mountaineer Hub also provides information concerning refunds (http://studentaccounts.wvu.edu/refunds).

Students who fail to drop courses prior to the end of the add/drop period are responsible for tuition and fees whether or not they attend those courses. See the Office of the University Registrar for withdrawal policies (https://registrar.wvu.edu/registration/withdrawal-policies).