# FINANCIAL AID GUIDE 2021-2022





Freshmen and Transfer Students



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## ESTABLISHING FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

Students must first be admitted to the University of Evansville before any type of financial aid can be offered or processed.

In order to be eligible for federal and state financial aid, a student must:

- Have a high school diploma or GED
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen
- Have a valid Social Security Number
- Comply with Selective Service registration, if male
- Not be in default on any federal student loan or owe a refund on a federal student grant

Continuing eligibility for federal and state financial aid requires that students continue to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.gov annually, maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress, not be convicted under federal or state law of the sale or possession of drugs while receiving federal student aid, and continue to be a degree-seeking student enrolled in appropriate aid-eligible credits.

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR FINANCIAL AID OFFER

Your Financial Aid Offer is provided by the Office of Student Financial Services. Your initial offer shows aid listed in two categories with total amounts for the academic year.

**GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:** Aid listed here does not require repayment and may include merit-based scholarships and need-based grants from institutional, federal, and state sources as well as any outside scholarships you have reported. Please notify our office of any outside scholarships earned so that we can incorporate them into your aid package.

**LOANS:** Aid listed here includes student loans that will need to be repaid after college. All FAFSA filers are eligible for Federal Direct Loans, which are listed as "Federal Direct Subsidized Loan" or "Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan."

**FEDERAL WORK-STUDY:** Federal Work-Study may also be listed, allowing you to apply for on-campus student employment.

**ACCEPTING/DECLINING AID:** Our office will assume that you are accepting scholarships and grants, but you must accept or decline any loans or Federal Work-Study offered within Financial Aid Self-Service through selfservice.evansville.edu.

## **UE MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS**

Students entering traditional undergraduate degree programs are awarded University of Evansville merit-based scholarships at the time of acceptance to UE. The types of scholarships offered, standards for selection, amounts, and renewal criteria may change with each new academic year. Awards are renewable for up to three years as long as the student continues to meet renewal criteria as listed later. It is not necessary to file the FAFSA for merit-based scholarships. No UE scholarships are offered for students pursuing a second bachelor's degree.

## **OTHER UE AWARDS**

**ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS:** Athletic scholarships are awarded at the discretion of each coach, based on criteria he or she establishes and in accordance with NCAA regulations. Renewal requires continued participation in the sport. The following sports offer athletic scholarships:

- Men baseball, basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, swimming and diving, and track and field
- Women basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, track and field, and volleyball

In limited cases under NCAA governance, a student may receive an athletic award in combination with a merit-based scholarship. In such cases, a 3.0 grade point average is required to renew the UE merit-based award. Most forms of UE-funded gift assistance are not available in combination with athletic scholarships.

**UE YELLOW RIBBON PROGRAM:** The University of Evansville has voluntarily entered into an agreement with the Department of Veterans Affairs to fund applicable tuition and fees that exceed the national maximum set annually by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for eligible veterans or their eligible dependents. The award is a combination of aid from UE and VA sources and supersedes any previously offered UE aid. For more information about veterans education benefits, see evansville.edu/veteransaffairs/ benefits.cfm.

**TRUSTS AND ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS:** Some of the financial aid awarded by the University of Evansville is made possible through our endowment, which is funded by the generous gifts of donors. These funds are invested so they can grow and help a greater number of students. Many donors restrict their gifts to be given to students who meet certain criteria. Sometime after your freshman year, you may be notified of the donor that is sponsoring your merit or other UE scholarships and asked to provide information to the donor.

## **NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID**

The Office of Student Financial Services assesses eligibility for all forms of need-based financial aid through the FAFSA, which must be filed annually to establish and renew eligibility. Need-based aid may come from federal, state, and University sources, and may include grants, student loans, and Federal Work-Study. We encourage all UE students to file the FAFSA annually between October 1 and April 15 to ensure maximum consideration for all forms of need-based aid for the next academic year. Indiana residents must file the FAFSA by April 15 each year to apply for grants funded by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education (CHE).

#### **UE Need-Based Grants**

Eligibility for UE need-based grants is determined by the results of the FAFSA, and amounts vary according to financial need. These grants are available to full-time undergraduate students and are not added to full-tuition awards. Renewal requires continued demonstration of financial need and achievement of Satisfactory Academic Progress. Funds are limited and based on availability.

#### **Federal Grants**

**FEDERAL PELL GRANT:** A federal grant awarded to full-time or part-time students demonstrating high financial need. Federal reg-

ulations limit a student's lifetime use of the Federal Pell Grant to the equivalent of six years of full-time eligibility.

#### FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

**GRANT (SEOG):** A federal grant awarded to students who also receive a Pell Grant. Awards are reserved for applicants with the highest need, as calculated by the FAFSA.

#### **State of Indiana Grants**

Indiana residents who attend UE may be eligible for either the Frank O'Bannon Freedom of Choice Award or the 21st Century Scholarship. Eligibility for both requires full-time enrollment, annual completion of the FAFSA by April 15, and student's continued Indiana residency. State aid may be used for a maximum of eight semesters, including all colleges attended. Visit the Indiana Commission for Higher Education (CHE) website at in.gov/che to view information about these programs, and create your ScholarTrack account to monitor your state aid record. These awards have credit completion requirements detailed by program below. Credits completed during high school, such as dual and AP credits, count toward a student's completion requirement, as do credits earned during the summer.

**FRANK O'BANNON FREEDOM OF CHOICE AWARD:** Award amounts (On-Time and Full-Time) are determined by CHE and awarded based on the student's EFC. Renewal of the On-Time Award requires students to earn at least 30 credit hours or the equivalent in the award year. If 30 credit hours were not earned, but at least 24 credit hours were earned, students may receive a reduced Full-Time Award. If 30/24 hours were not earned during year one, state aid is not renewed for year two. However, if the student earns 30/24 hours during year two, they may regain state aid eligibility for use in year three.

State grant incentives may be awarded to students who complete high school with the Indiana Academic Honors/Technical Honors Diploma, have earned an associate's degree prior to beginning a baccalaureate program, or who earn 39 credit hours in an award year. Renewal of the Academic Honors incentive requires a 3.0 cumulative college GPA.

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARSHIP: Initial eligibility determination and enrollment in this program is only available to Indiana students who enrolled during middle school. It is awarded to those who successfully fulfill their 21st Century Scholar pledge and meet State eligibility criteria. The 21st Century Scholarship replaces any previously offered State grant award. The award amount for students attending private colleges, such as UE, is determined annually by CHE and for the 2020-21 award year was \$8,748. 21st Century Scholars do not receive full-tuition at private colleges, as is available for enrollment in public colleges. For more information, visit in.gov/che. Renewal requires that students must earn at least 30 credit hours or the equivalent during the award year. 21st Century Scholars who fail to meet the credit completion requirement may be eligible for the Frank O'Bannon Grant or other forms of state financial aid. If 30 hours were not earned during year one, the 21st Century Scholarship is not renewed for year two. However, if the student earns 30 hours during year two, they may regain 21st Century eligibility for use in year three.

**On-Campus Employment (Work-Study)** 

**FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM:** A federally-funded work opportunity offered to students who demonstrate financial need according to the FAFSA. The average job represents nine hours of work per week at a rate of \$8.00/hour for academic-year earnings of \$2,000. Unlike most other types of aid, work-study earnings are not automatically applied as payment toward the student's semester bill. Students may authorize that their earnings be directly deposited into a personal bank account or be applied toward an unpaid balance on their UE student account. Students electronically record their hours worked every two weeks and are paid the following week.

**UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE STUDENT EMPLOYMENT:** Student employment opportunities will be made available for students not offered Federal Work-Study as part of their financial aid.

**APPLICATION:** To obtain employment, students submit a Work-Study Application directly to the department supervisor(s). Interviews for available positions are scheduled by the department supervisor, and upon hiring, the supervisor provides the student with an official Offer of Employment.

**PAYROLL:** All student employees must complete required payroll forms **prior** to beginning employment. Original identification documents must be viewed by the Work-Study Coordinator (copies cannot be accepted).

Students who are awarded and accept Federal Work-Study employment will be emailed detailed instructions on the application process and payroll form requirements.

## **FEDERAL DIRECT LOAN**

This loan is available when enrolled at least half-time and is the only source of federal aid for students pursuing a second bachelor's degree. Information about the interest rates, loan origination fees, and repayment can be found at studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/loans.

Our office will determine the type (Subsidized or Unsubsidized) and amount of Federal Direct Loan for which you are eligible based on the information provided on the FAFSA.

**DIRECT SUBSIDIZED LOAN:** Eligibility is need-based. No interest accrues on the principal while you are enrolled at least halftime and during the grace period.

**DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED LOAN:** Eligibility is not need-based. Interest accrues while you are enrolled and during the grace period.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF LOAN:** Federal regulations require that first-time borrowers and students new to UE complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling at studentaid.gov. The Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement must also be completed on an annual basis. Sign into studentaid.gov to complete these steps using the same student Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID used when completing the FAFSA. Loan funds will not be disbursed until these requirements have been completed.

ANNUAL LOAN	LIMITS FOR	DIRECT	LOANS

Grade Level	Dependent Undergraduate Students	Independent Students
Year 1	\$5,500	\$9,500
(0-29 hours)	(maximum \$3,500 subsidized)	(maximum \$3,500 subsidized)
Year 2	\$6,500	\$10,500
(30-59 hours)	(maximum \$4,500 subsidized)	(maximum \$4,500 subsidized)
Year 3, 4, 5	\$7,500	\$12,500
(60+ hours)	(maximum \$5,500 subsidized)	(maximum \$5,500 subsidized)

Graduate/	N/A	\$20,500
Professional		(unsubsidized)

#### AGGREGATE LOAN LIMITS: MAXIMUM TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOAN DEBT

	Dependent Undergraduate Students	Independent Students
Undergraduate	\$31,000	\$57,500
	(maximum \$23,000 subsidized)	(maximum \$23,000 subsidized)
Graduate/	N/A	\$138,500
Professional		(maximum \$65,000 subsidized)

**LOAN DISBURSEMENT:** Loan funds will be credited directly to your student account at the beginning of each semester along with your other financial aid. After your University charges, i.e., tuition, fees, housing and meal plan (if on campus) have been satisfied, any amount remaining as a credit on your account will be refunded to you each semester.

**REPAYMENT:** The U.S. Department of Education will assign repayment of your loans to one of their federal loan servicers. Loan payments should be made directly to that servicer. Repayment of your Direct Loan begins six months after you graduate, withdraw, or drop below half-time enrollment status. Minimum monthly payments are \$50, but the amount will vary depending on the amount borrowed and the repayment plan selected.

**LOAN CONSOLIDATION AFTER COLLEGE:** Federal loan provisions permit the borrower to consolidate federal student loans. Information regarding consolidation can be found at studentaid.gov.

## FEDERAL NURSING STUDENT LOAN

This loan is available to qualified nursing students who demonstrate financial need. Freshmen and sophomores may borrow up to \$3,300 per year; juniors and seniors up to \$5,200 per year. The cumulative borrowing limit is \$17,000. No interest accrues on the principal while you are enrolled at least half-time. You will receive a nine-month grace period after graduation (or your enrollment drops below halftime) before repayment begins. At that time, interest accrues at the rate of five percent. Nursing students interested in this loan should contact the Office of Student Financial Services. First-time recipients must sign the Master Promissory Note (MPN), which is a one-time process and is valid for up to 10 years of future borrowing. Students must also complete FAFSA verification.

## CHARLES EDSON SCHELL FOUNDATION LOAN

This program provides interest-free loans to University of Evansville students who are residents of Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, and adjoining states (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Virginia). This loan is typically offered in increments of \$1,000 per year, up to a maximum yearly amount of \$4,000, and is repaid directly to the University of Evansville beginning no later than six months after graduation or withdrawal. Contact the Office of Student Financial Services if interested.

## HAROLD BERRY LOAN

This program provides interest-free loans to University of Evansville students who are enrolled full-time. This loan is typically offered in increments of \$1,000 per year up to a maximum yearly amount of \$3,000. It is repaid directly to the University of Evansville beginning no later than six months after graduation or withdrawal. Contact the Office of Student Financial Services if interested.

## **EXIT COUNSELING**

Prior to graduating or withdrawing, student loan borrowers must complete Exit Counseling at studentaid.gov. In-person loan repayment sessions are also offered during each semester. Borrowers of the Perkins, Nursing, Berry, and Schell loans must also attend an individual exit appointment prior to graduating or withdrawing.

## FEDERAL DIRECT PARENT LOAN (PLUS)

Administered by the U.S. Department of Education, the Federal PLUS Loan is a resource to assist credit-worthy parents of dependent students in paying for college costs owed directly to UE and/or for other indirect educational expenses, such as books and supplies. While the parent is not required to demonstrate financial need, the FAFSA must be filed annually and the parent must pass a credit check performed by the U.S. Department of Education to be eligible for this loan. Parents may borrow an amount up to the maximum cost of attendance less all other financial aid. Information about interest rates, credit check criteria, loan origination fees, and repayment can be found at studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/loans/plus.

PARENT PLUS LOAN APPLICATION AND PROCESSING: The

PLUS Loan is applied for online at studentaid.gov. The parent must log in using his/her Federal Student Aid Username and Password created through fsaid.ed.gov. Within two business days of submitting the application, our office receives confirmation of application and responds directly to the parent email listed on the application.

A supplemental form is provided in order to confirm the amount, select an authorization to direct excess funds, or verify intentions in the case of a denial. This form must be completed and returned to the Office of Student Financial Services in order for the loan to be finalized.

**REPAYMENT:** Unless deferment is requested through the online application, repayment of the PLUS Loan will begin within 60 days after the full amount borrowed for the school year has been disbursed. In general, the parent has 10 years to repay the loan. A PLUS Loan may not be consolidated with any student loans.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF LOAN:** Federal regulations require that parent borrowers complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement at studentaid.gov. The MPN is valid for up to 10 years of future borrowing and is required to be completed by the parent borrower, even if the parent has borrowed for another child, as the MPN is unique to the parent/ student pairing. Loan funds will not be disbursed until these requirements have been completed.

**DIVORCED OR SEPARATED PARENT BORROWERS:** Federal regulations allow both parents to apply for separate PLUS Loans. When both parents apply for a PLUS Loan, any excess funds must be refunded to the student.

**IF THE PARENT'S CREDIT CHECK IS DECLINED:** If the parent's credit check is declined due to adverse credit, the dependent undergraduate student is eligible to borrow additional unsubsidized loan funds based upon their grade level. Freshmen and sophomores may borrow up to an additional \$4,000 for the year; juniors and seniors may borrow up to an additional \$5,000 for the year. The Office of Student Financial Services will communicate instructions to the student's UE email regarding accepting the additional loan eligibility.

## **PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL LOANS**

Private lenders offer educational loans as additional financial assistance. We encourage you to use all grants, scholarships, and federal loans for which you are eligible before considering use of a private loan. Private loans may have variable interest rates and each lender has different eligibility requirements, loan rates, repayment terms, and conditions. These loans are in the student's name with loan repayment after college; however, a credit-worthy cosigner is typically required. Parents may also apply for a private parent loan. You may choose any lender for a private educational loan. Find more information at evansville.edu/student-financial-services/ private-educational-loans.cfm.

### **United Methodist Loan**

The United Methodist Scholarship and Loan Programs are a churchwide educational service providing scholarships and loans to help supplement the financial needs of today's students. The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry funds these loans and scholarships through offerings, wills, annuities, and other designated gifts provided to the United Methodist Church. Find more information at gbhem.org.

## **OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS**

Students are required to report the receipt of scholarships from organizations such as civic groups, schools, businesses, and churches. Most organizations will send a co-payable check to the University that must be endorsed by the student. Private scholarships are credited to your University student account by our office when a check is received from the donor, and if required, signed by the student. **Unless otherwise directed by the donor, the scholarships are divided equally between the fall and spring semesters.** If at all possible, outside scholarships will be added to other financial aid for the academic year. However, if any part of the financial aid is federal, we are required to comply with federal regulations, which state gift aid must not exceed financial need as demonstrated on the FAFSA. If aid must be reduced so as not to exceed need, it will be done in the following order: loans, work, University of Evansville grants, and Federal SEOG.

## SPECIAL ENROLLMENT EXPERIENCES

HARLAXTON COLLEGE: In most cases, students attending Harlaxton College full-time during the academic year will have the same gift aid available to them as when they attend UE's home campus. In some cases, loan eligibility may be adjusted to acknowledge the additional costs. **STUDY ABROAD:** Financial aid is available to students enrolled full-time in a study abroad program if through the University's exchange providers. Satisfactory Academic Progress will be monitored in the same manner as when the student is enrolled at UE's home campus.

**SUMMER ENROLLMENT:** The types of financial aid available for summer courses are federal loans (Direct and PLUS), Pell Grants, Federal SEOG, work-study and private loans. Students must be enrolled in at least six credit hours to qualify for federal loans. No University of Evansville gift assistance is available for any summer programs, including Harlaxton, study abroad, and on-campus summer classes. Students may work on campus (as jobs are available) in the summer regardless of enrollment status as long as the student plans to be enrolled in the following term. Applications for summer employment are available in mid-March.

**WINTER ENROLLMENT:** No UE scholarships, employee dependent aid, or UE athletic scholarships are available for the Winter Intersession, but some students may have eligibility for student or parent loans. Students must be enrolled in the fall semester to request aid for the winter term.

**CO-OPS, CLINICALS, AND INTERNSHIPS:** Financial aid will be available only if the work-related experience results in being a registered student at UE. For example, the clinical block built into the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program during the last spring semester results in a regularly-assessed semester of full-time tuition charges and normal aid eligibility. By contrast, most engineering co-op semesters do not result in being registered for UE courses, in which case normal tuition is not charged, nor is aid disbursed. The Office of Student Financial Services will determine your aid on a semester-by-semester basis when these experiences are involved.

## **UE GIFT AID POLICIES**

**MAXIMUM GIFT AID:** Students are encouraged to seek out all types of financial aid. Some students are fortunate to receive gift aid from a variety of sources. The maximum amount of gift aid that a student may retain during a single academic year (fall and spring) is:

- **STUDENT RESIDES ON CAMPUS:** Total gift aid is limited to an amount equal to the sum of tuition, fees (student activity and services), housing, meal plan, and a \$2,500 allowance for books or other expenses.
- STUDENT COMMUTES FROM PARENTS' HOME: Total gift aid is limited to an amount equal to the sum of tuition, fees (student activity and services), and a \$2,500 allowance for books or other expenses.

If a student earns gift aid in excess of the amount outlined above, UE will reduce one or more forms of University-funded gift aid by the amount of the excess.

**FULL-TUITION PROGRAMS:** The University of Evansville has a customized policy for the administration of gift aid in conjunction with the following programs: Lilly Foundation Community Scholarship, Tuition Exchange Scholarships, ROTC, and Employee Dependent/Employee Tuition Benefits. Policies are available through the UE Office of Student Financial Services.

## RESIDENCE LIFE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Students are required to live in University-approved housing when they enter UE unless an exemption is approved by the Office of Residence Life. The residency requirements differ for freshmen and transfer students. Find details regarding housing and meal plan policies at evansville.edu/residencelife.

**FRESHMEN:** Freshmen\* **must live in UE-approved housing for two years**, or the equivalent of four semesters. The Office of Residence Life may grant an exemption if the student meets one of the following criteria:

- 1. The student's local residence is with parents or legal guardians in Vanderburgh or contiguous counties;
- 2. The student has attained the age of 21 prior to the start of the academic year;
- 3. The student is married and/or lives with a dependent.

\*Residency requirement also applies to freshmen transfers (those entering UE in January after one semester at another institution). International students who have participated in the Intensive English Program may count their semester(s) in residence toward this requirement.

**TRANSFER STUDENTS:** Transfer students who have not attained 60+ academic credit hours by the start of the academic year **must live in UE-approved housing when entering UE**. These hours can be a combination of hours earned at previous institutions and UE hours (excluding bridge, early-college, dual-credit, and advanced placement credit). Students with fewer than 60 hours may also request an exemption from the Office of Residence Life if they meet one of the following criteria:

- 1. The student's local residence is with parents, legal guardians, or immediate family members who are over the age of 21. Local residence must be in Vanderburgh or contiguous counties;
- 2. The student has attained the age of 21 prior to the start of the academic year;
- 3. The student is married and/or lives with a dependent.

## **SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL**

The renewal of all financial aid requires that students maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (detailed later). Please note that students in the Fellows and the Aces Opportunity Grant programs have additional requirements for full renewal of award. For most students, the full renewal of UE financial aid (scholarships or grants) requires continued residency in UE-approved housing, even after satisfying the Residence Life on-campus residency requirement.

**TYPES OF UE-APPROVED HOUSING:** Students who live in any type of UE-approved housing are considered on-campus for the purposes of renewing their full financial aid. UE-approved housing includes residence halls, University apartments, houses, townhomes, University-managed/University-approved Greek housing, and Harlaxton College. Students in a UE-approved study abroad program will not have their scholarship reduced as long as the program provides a housing opportunity similar to UE. Choice of meal plan, or lack thereof, does not affect financial aid.

**UE HOUSING SCHOLARSHIP:** Students who have been awarded a UE Housing Scholarship and choose to move out of UE-approved housing will not be eligible for this award.

Unique policies govern the administration of full-ride athletic scholarships.

**REGAINING AID:** Students whose housing scholarship was removed as a result of moving off-campus may regain the value of their housing scholarship if they return to UE-approved housing.

**DURATION OF UE SCHOLARSHIPS:** Unless specified below, University of Evansville merit scholarships are available for eight semesters of full-time enrollment (assuming renewal criteria above is met) or until the requirements for the first bachelor's degree have been met, whichever comes first. Seniors in their last semester who can meet their degree requirements with part-time enrollment can receive a prorated value of UE aid.

**APPEALS FOR UE AID BEYOND FOUR YEARS:** As soon as you become aware that you will not graduate in eight semesters, you may submit an appeal through the Office of Student Financial Services for determination of aid eligibility.

**SCHOLARSHIP DURATION FOR FIVE-YEAR PROGRAMS:** Students pursuing the following degrees will receive their UE aid for five years (if both degrees are completed in the same semester): Health Services Administration (combined BS/MS), Public Health (combined BS/MS), Exercise Science/Health Services Administration, and Music Education/Music Therapy.

## SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY (SAP)

The United States Department of Education (Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended) requires that students maintain satisfactory progress toward completing their degree in order to receive financial aid. The Office of Student Financial Services is required to check three standards: quantitative (pace of progression), qualitative (GPA), and maximum time frame for receiving aid.

These standards, known as Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), govern eligibility for students who want to establish or continue aid eligibility for all federal, state, and institutional financial aid programs including grants, scholarships, work-study, and student and parent loans. Many private loans also require the student to be meeting SAP. SAP applies to a student's entire degree program, including semesters (fall, spring, and summer) in which financial aid was not applied for or disbursed.

The UE Office of Student Financial Services reviews all three standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress at the end of each semester (fall, spring, and summer) for all students using financial aid. All Summer terms combine to create one summer semester for financial aid purposes.

#### **Quantitative Standards (Pace of Progression)**

Students must successfully complete a minimum of 67 percent of all credit hours attempted. After grades are posted each semester, a student's cumulative credit hours successfully completed (earned) will be divided by the cumulative credit hours attempted to determine the completion rate.

**COMPLETED (EARNED) CREDITS:** Successfully completed credits include grades of A, B, C, or D (including plus or minus) and credits taken pass/fail, in which a P was earned. Unsuccessful grades consist of F, W, I, classes taken for audit, or any other grade that does not result in completed credits. Credits earned by examination will be considered completed credits. Note: A grade of D is not considered a passing grade for graduate programs and is not counted as completed credit.

**ATTEMPTED CREDITS:** All credit hours for which a student registers at UE, those transfer credits that count toward the UE degree, and credit hours earned by examination are included in attempted credits. Grades of I or W will count as hours attempted, but not completed. If incompletes are later completed, they will be reflected when progress is checked, or sooner, at the student's request.

**TRANSFER CREDITS:** Transfer credits that apply to a student's UE degree are included in both the credits attempted and the credits earned when calculating the completion percentage. Credits received for remedial courses or for courses that are not applicable to the student's UE degree are not included in either credits attempted or earned.

**REPEATED COURSES:** Courses that are retaken to improve a grade are counted in attempted hours each time the course is taken, but only once toward the credit hours earned in the completion rate. Students may retake a class for which they have previously received a grade of "F" as many times as it takes to successfully complete the class. However, students may only repeat a class one time in which they have received a passing grade. After one allowable time, the student cannot use federal assistance for future repeats.

**PART-TIME STUDENTS:** Cumulative GPA requirements are the same as for full-time students. The number of semesters required to complete the program will depend on the hours registered. Students must successfully complete the majority of the credit hours attempted each semester and maintain a 67 percent cumulative completion rate.

**SECOND DEGREE STUDENTS:** Officially accepted credits that apply to the degree program will count toward both credit hours attempted and credit hours earned.

#### **Qualitative Standards (GPA)**

Undergraduate students admitted to UE as freshmen must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 by the end of their second academic year (4th regular semester) and each semester thereafter. Before the end of the 4th semester, these students must have the minimum cumulative GPA as shown below:

Credit Hours Earned	GPA
Fewer than 30	1.6
30-59.99	1.9

All other students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the end of each semester.

#### **Maximum Time Frame for Eligibility**

**FEDERAL AID STANDARDS:** Federal regulations govern the maximum length of time a student may receive federal aid. This timeframe is defined as 150 percent of the scheduled length of the program. For example, students pursuing a bachelor's degree in an academic program requiring 120 credit hours may attempt up to 180 credit hours (150 percent of 120 is 180 hours). Students pursuing an associate's degree requiring 72 credits may attempt up to 108 credit hours (150 percent of 72 is 108 hours). For transfer students, the number of transfer credit hours accepted at the point of admission to UE will be used to calculate the student's remaining eligibility for the 150 percent maximum time frame calculation. Students seeking a second undergraduate degree will have the previous degree's accepted credit hours applied toward the student's current degree, and these hours will be used in the 150 percent maximum time frame calculation.

#### **Financial Aid Academic Progress Status**

**FINANCIAL AID WARNING:** Students will be sent a warning if they fail to meet either the completion rate or minimum cumulative GPA standards as outlined or are approaching their program's maximum time frame. Students will be placed on warning for one semester during which they must come into compliance with the standards. Students not meeting SAP at the end of the warning semester will be placed on Financial Aid Suspension.

**FINANCIAL AID SUSPENSION:** Students who fail to meet the standards at the end of their warning semester will be ineligible for financial aid beginning with the next semester of attendance (see Appeals to regain eligibility). Students receiving grades of F or D (graduate programs only) in all courses attempted in any semester will be automatically ineligible for financial aid regardless of whether the student has received a financial aid warning.

Students who preregister for a subsequent semester before grades are evaluated and who use a financial aid estimate to defer tuition and fees are responsible for the semester's balance if they do not maintain satisfactory academic progress and have been disqualified from financial aid once grades are posted and reviewed.

A student who is disqualified from financial aid more than one time for failure to meet these standards must meet with a Student Financial Services Counselor to discuss plans for re-establishing financial aid eligibility.

Students are responsible for maintaining awareness of their SAP status for aid renewal, whether or not they receive the official notifications. The Office of Student Financial Services is not responsible for address changes that are not reported or for problems with postal mail or email delivery. Students may view their SAP status in Financial Aid Self-Service at any time.

**CORRECTING ACADEMIC DEFICIENCIES:** It is important to remember that grade deficiencies can only be corrected at UE, but credits to correct a deficiency in credit hours earned can be taken elsewhere and transferred to UE through arrangements with the Office of Academic Advising. Students may request a review of their progress when a grade is changed, regardless of when that change occurs.

**APPEALS TO REGAIN ELIGIBILITY:** A student who fails to meet these standards and loses eligibility for financial aid may appeal this decision. **Appeals must be in writing and must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documents.** In the appeal, the student must explain why s/he was not making progress and what has changed so that s/he will begin making progress. Appeals should be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Services at least three (3) weeks before the beginning of the student's next semester of attendance to allow time for processing. Appeals will be approved or denied in writing via email. The student is limited to two appeals.

Reasons that may be acceptable for appeal are: 1) serious illness or accident affecting the student; 2) death, accident, or serious illness in the student's immediate family; 3) change in academic program; or 4) other extenuating circumstances.

If approved, the student will be placed on Financial Aid Probation for one semester and aid will be granted. If the student cannot meet

SAP by the end of the probationary semester, the student will be placed on a SAP Academic Plan that shows how and when the student will be meeting SAP.

If denied, the student may choose to enroll without using financial aid in an effort to repair the SAP deficiencies. Students may request a review of their record following any semester. If the SAP standards are met at the time of review, financial aid eligibility may be regained for subsequent semesters of enrollment that year.

## CHANGE IN FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES

Changes in family circumstances, e.g., death, loss of job, retirement, divorce, or separation, may result in a change in financial aid eligibility. Contact the Office of Student Financial Services if such a change occurs.

## **TAX BENEFITS FOR EDUCATION**

The federal government provides a number of incentives that can help defray the cost of higher education. These incentives may be in the form of tax credits or tax deductions. Information is available from the Internal Revenue Service or from your income tax preparer. At the end of January our office will prepare and provide your 1098-T, which can be used along with receipts of payment and billing statements to determine eligibility for tax benefits related to educational expenses paid to UE.

## **CREDIT BALANCE REFUND POLICY**

Students whose excess financial aid results in a credit balance will receive a refund within 14 days of the credit occurring unless the credit balance occurred before the start of the term, in which case, the refund will be issued within 14 days of the start of the term. A student may authorize UE to hold a credit on their account for future charges.

Credit balances that result from a Federal Parent PLUS Loan will be refunded or held per the borrower's instructions on the PLUS Loan Supplemental form. Parents may choose to have refund checks mailed to them, refunded to the student, or held on the student's account for future charges.

Credits resulting from an overpayment will be refunded to the payer.

Refunds are processed automatically at least weekly once the term begins and enrollment has been verified. If the student has entered bank information for electronic refunds, the refund will be processed as a direct deposit to the bank account provided. In the absence of bank information, a paper check will be issued and mailed to the student's permanent home address. Refund checks can be held up to seven days for pick up at the cashier window in the Office of Student Financial Services at the student's request. Unclaimed checks will be mailed to the permanent home address after seven days.

Regardless of any authorization provided by the student and/or parent, credit balances that are the result of federal loans will be refunded to the student/parent at the end of the award year in which the loans were disbursed.

After two attempts to refund, uncashed and unclaimed refund checks will be credited back to the student's account and the funds returned to the program from which they came.

## INSTITUTIONAL CHARGES AND FINANCIAL AID REFUND POLICY

All institutional financial aid will be refunded according to the institutional charges refund schedule shown below. In other words, all UE financial aid will be refunded according to the 100 percent, 80 percent, 60 percent, 40 percent, or 20 percent determination during the first four weeks. After four weeks, there are no refunds for such aid.

**INSTITUTIONAL CHARGES:** Tuition, on campus room and board, and the following fees: activity, registration, services, applied music, and any mandatory course-related fees (course-related fees are non-refundable after start).

**NON-INSTITUTIONAL CHARGES:** All other fees and costs (special fees, books, insurance fees, off-campus living expenses, transportation expenses, and the like).

The amount of institutional charges (excluding course-related fees) that will be refunded is determined as follows:

- UE classes begin on Wednesday in fall and Monday in spring. Students who withdraw on or before the first day will receive a 100 percent refund.
- Students who withdraw or leave within the first week of class (Thursday through Wednesday in fall or Tuesday through Monday in spring) will receive an 80 percent refund.
- Students who withdraw or leave within the second week of class (next Thursday through Wednesday in fall or Tuesday through Monday in spring) will receive a 60 percent refund.
- Students who withdraw or leave within the third week of class (next Thursday through Wednesday in fall or Tuesday through Monday in spring) will receive a 40 percent refund.
- Students who withdraw or leave within the fourth week of class (next Thursday through Wednesday in fall or Tuesday through Monday in spring) will receive a 20 percent refund.
- After four weeks, there are no refunds for the above listed institutional charges.

#### **Institutional Aid Refund Policy**

**DROPPING BELOW FULL-TIME:** Students who drop/withdraw from a course(s) during the first 4 weeks who remain enrolled but whose enrollment status becomes less than full-time will not be eligible for any University scholarships or grants.

**WITHDRAWING FROM ALL COURSES:** Students who withdraw from all courses within the first 4 weeks will have their institutional scholarship and grants reduced according to the University's Institutional Refund Policy.

#### **State Aid Refund Policy**

The Indiana Commission of Higher Education (CHE) policy for refunds dictates that to be eligible for these awards, a student must be enrolled full-time at the end of the published add/drop period. Hence, if a student completely withdraws from the University before the end of the add/drop period, the student is not eligible for the state award, and the University must return 100 percent of the semester's award to CHE. After the add/drop period, the student's state aid would be 100 percent earned. State aid that requires fulltime enrollment consists of the Freedom of Choice Award, Student Performance Incentives, Twenty-First Century Scholarship, Mitch Daniels Scholarship, and State Teacher/Education Scholarships. The Adult Student grant requires a minimum of 6 credit hours enrollment and follows the same refund policy.

#### **Veterans Benefits Refund Policy**

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs requires all changes of enrollment to be certified within 30 days of action. For VA purposes, the effective date is the date the student withdrew or dropped the course. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will process the information regarding change of enrollment and may establish a debt on the student, based on the effective date of the change. It is the responsibility of the student to satisfy any debt established on the student by the VA.

Students withdrawing from all courses in a semester will have the current, and any future certifications terminated. If the student completely withdraws on or before the first day of the term, the University of Evansville will return the tuition and fees payment received directly to the VA, upon receipt of a school debt letter. If the date of complete withdrawal is after the first day of the term, any credit balances that result from a refund of institutional charges will be issued to the student. In this case, the student will receive a debt letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs with balance due.

For students dropping a course(s), an enrollment update will be submitted to the VA. Tuition and fees are reported specific to the remaining credit hours, as if those were the only courses taken during the entire enrollment period. The VA will determine if the change in hours/charges requires some percentage of repayment from the student. If debt is established, the student will receive a debt letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs with balance due.

#### **Federal Aid Refund Policy**

Students are encouraged to meet with the Office of Student Financial Services before changing enrollment by dropping a course or withdrawing from the University so they can be informed of the financial impact of their enrollment changes. Enrollment is set at the end of the add/drop period each term. Students must begin enrollment in all courses to be eligible for Federal Pell Grant funds and in at least one course to be eligible for all other aid.

#### I. ALL PROGRAMS, EXCEPT THE CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING

This policy applies to all University programs, except those administered by the Center for the Advancement of Learning (CAL). Students enrolled in one of the University's CAL programs should refer to section (II) for the CAL refund policy. Refund information for summer is provided annually when summer course registration information becomes available to students.

**DROPPING BELOW FULL-TIME:** Dropping a class starts with the Office of the Registrar. When a student drops a course(s) but continues as a part-time student (fewer than 12 semester hours), the tuition refund will be the difference between the initial billing and the revised billing multiplied by the percentage refund as outlined in the Institutional Charges Refund Policy. Students who drop below full-time during this refund period will have their eligibility for financial aid recalculated. Enrollment for federal and state financial aid will be set at the end of the add/drop period each term, and federal and state grants will not be adjusted after this date. If a student drops below full-time after the first four weeks of the semester, there is no refund of charges or reduction of financial aid.

**STUDENTS WITHDRAWING FROM ALL COURSES:** The official withdrawal process begins in the Office of the Dean of Students. The policy that determines the return of Title IV funds is defined by federal regulation and calculates earned federal financial aid on a per diem basis up to the 60 percent point in the semester. Federal financial aid that is considered "unearned" is returned to the appropriate source. The amount of earned federal aid is calculated by dividing the number of calendar days completed by the total number of calendar days in the semester. A calendar is developed each year and maintained in the Office of Student Financial Services that outlines the percentage of federal aid earned during the first 60 percent of the term. There are no refunds (or return of Title IV funds) if the student attends classes after the 60 percent point as Title IV aid is considered to be 100 percent earned at that point.

There are two parts to a refund determination when the student withdraws from all classes.

- Refund of institutional charges. The student's withdrawal date for institutional charges is the date the student submits the completed withdrawal form to the Dean of Students' Office. However, UE can determine a withdrawal date related to extenuating circumstances for a student who:
  - a. left without notification because of extenuating circumstances, or
  - withdrew because of extenuating circumstances but another party gave notification on the student's behalf.
    Extenuating circumstances include illness, accident, grievous personal loss, or other such circumstances beyond the student's control. The dean of students makes the determination in such matters.
- 2. Reduction (refund to the program) of institutional, state, or federal financial aid. The student's withdrawal date for financial aid is determined based on whether the student officially withdrew from the University or stopped attending (walked away). For those who officially withdrew, the withdrawal date is the date the student begins the withdrawal process with the Dean of Students' Office. For those who stopped attending and failed all classes, the withdrawal date is the latter of the midpoint of the semester, the date the student last attended classes, or the last date of academically related activity such as taking a test.

#### II. CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING PROGRAMS REFUND POLICY

If a student in the organizational leadership, university studies, masters in leadership, or masters in public service administration program finds it necessary to completely withdraw from the University before the end of a semester, the withdrawal process begins in the office of the director of the Center for the Advancement of Learning, where an official date of withdrawal is determined for institutional charges and refund purposes. A student's withdrawal date is determined using the same process as for the federal financial aid refund policy. The CAL director may determine a different withdrawal date for institutional charges due to extenuating circumstances if such conditions exist and can be documented.

The University's Center for the Advancement of Learning Program institutional charges refund policy treats each five-week course in the semester as a separate course. Students register and are billed for the semester at the beginning of the term, but refunds will be calculated based upon the five-week courses completed and/or the date and time when the withdrawal occurs. Full refunds for the semester will be given if the student cancels the enrollment before attending any class in the term. Refunds that occur during the semester will be calculated as follows for each five-week course:

During week one 75% refund\* During week two 50% refund\* During week three 0% refund\*

All other information relative to the withdrawal process is described in the regular policy and conforms to it.

#### DROPPING ADULT PROGRAM COURSES IN THE SEMESTER:

Federal financial aid eligibility is established by attending class. Students with Federal Pell Grants must begin attendance in each module. Because of the nature of the federal withdrawal policy, students who do not begin attendance in all modules and successfully complete those modules may have their aid prorated based on return of Title IV funds regulations.

#### **III. RETURNING FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID TO ACCOUNTS**

Unearned federal financial aid will returned in the following order:

Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan Federal Direct Subsidized Loan Federal Direct PLUS Loan Federal Pell Grant Federal SEOG TEACH Grant Iraq Afghanistan Service Grant

The amount of aid to be returned is determined by the Federal Title IV Return of Funds calculation as provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

Any refunds of charges will be applied to the student's account and all adjustments for aid, loans, fines and non-refundable fees or deposits will be made before eligibility for a cash refund is determined. If there is a student account balance resulting from the adjustments, the student is responsible for payment. Sample Return of Funds calculations are available in the Office of Student Financial Services.

#### **IV. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES**

**OFFICIAL WITHDRAWALS:** Students who officially withdraw from the University will be assessed a \$100 administrative fee.

**UNOFFICIAL WITHDRAWALS (WALKAWAYS):** Students who simply "walk away" during a semester without officially withdrawing, and who earn all Fs or Incompletes will be assessed a \$500 administrative fee.

#### V. STUDENT AND INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN REGARD TO THE RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS

The University's responsibilities include:

- Providing each student with information about the refund policy.
- Identifying students who are affected by the policy.
- Completing the Title IV return of funds calculation for those affected. Notice will be sent/given to student within 30 days of the withdrawal date of the amounts that must be returned to UE.
- Returning federal financial aid within 45 days to the Title IV

programs any funds that were disbursed directly to the student and which the student was determined to be ineligible for via the Return of Title IV funds calculation.

The student's responsibilities include:

- Cooperating with UE in establishing satisfactory repayment arrangements if it is determined that a repayment is due for a Pell Grant because of the withdrawal.
- Returning his or her share of unearned aid attributable to a loan under the terms and conditions of the promissory note.
- Making payment to the University for any student account balance that results from the adjustments to the account.
  Payment in full or payment arrangement should be made within 30 days of the student receiving notice of what is owed.

This policy conforms to the Federal Return of Title IV Funds (Section 668.22) regulations of the 1998 changes to the Higher Education Amendments. Title IV funds refer to the following federal financial aid programs: subsidized and unsubsidized Direct Loans, Federal Direct PLUS Loans, Federal Pell Grants, Federal SEOG, TEACH Grants, and Iraq Afghanistan Service Grants. Federal Work-Study funds are excluded from the refund calculation.

## CANCELLATION OF HOUSING AND FOOD SERVICE CONTRACTS

When a student completely withdraws from all classes in the middle of the semester, UE housing and meal plan charges and refunds are governed by the Institutional Charges Refund Policy as "institutional charges." However, the policies governing new or continuing students who remain enrolled but wish to cancel housing and/or meal plan charges are administered by the UE Office of Residence Life. Completion of the Housing and Meal Plan Registration on Self-Service constitutes a legal and binding agreement between the student and the University of Evansville. A personalized and dated contract is generated upon completion of the online agreement on Self-Service. All housing contracts are binding for the duration of the academic year. There are specific provisions and restrictions regarding contract cancellation requests. Information regarding these policies is found online at evansville.edu/residencelife, in the student's personal contract, and in the Residence Life Handbook.

## **UE MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN**

All full-time domestic students are eligible to participate in a monthly payment plan. The interest-free UE Monthly Payment Plan allows for annual tuition, mandatory fees, housing and meal costs to be paid in four or five monthly installments per semester/eight or ten monthly installments per year.

**COST OF THE PLAN:** The non-refundable UE Payment Plan processing fee is \$50 for a single semester, or \$100 for the annual option. That fee is reduced to \$40 (single) and \$80 (annual) when utilizing the ACH automatic withdrawal payment option. Other pay methods include check, e-check, and the four major credit cards: MasterCard, Visa, Discover, and American Express. Electronic payments are accepted over the phone or online through Self-Service. All credit card transactions are subject to a service fee of 2.5 percent of the payment amount. There are no processing fees when payments are received by e-check. No additional fees will be incurred

when payments are received by the due date, which is the 15th of the month. An \$18 late payment fee will be assessed on payments received after the 20th of the month.

**HOW THE PLAN WORKS:** Payments are established at an amount sufficient to satisfy tuition, mandatory fees, housing, and meal charges, minus approved financial aid, in the number of months selected. Work-study awards and pending outside scholarships are not included in the initial payment plan calculation. All work-study payroll deductions and outside scholarship funds received will be considered during monthly payment plan reviews and monthly payments will be adjusted accordingly.

**THE APPLICATION:** The University of Evansville Monthly Payment Plan application is accessed on the UE website at: evansville.edu/ paymentplan. To apply, complete the Estimated Cost Calculator and Payment Plan Application in full and select 'Submit Payment Plan Application' or 'Print this page' and mail application to **University** of Evansville, Office of Student Financial Services Room 105G, 1800 Lincoln Avenue, Evansville, Indiana 47722.

Once received, applications are reviewed to determine an actual monthly payment amount based on the initial information and selected plan choice. Payment schedules, and/or coupons, will be emailed to the applicant. The processing fee will be included in the first payment. **APPLICATION SCHEDULE:** To be eligible for a Fall or Annual plan, application must be received before:

JULY 10	AUGUST 10	
5-Month (Semester)	4-Month (Semester)	
or	or	
10-Month (Semester)	8-Month (Semester)	

To be eligible for a Spring-only plan, applications must be received before:

DECEMBER 10 JANUARY 10 5-Month (Semester) 4-Month (Semester)

**MONTHLY PAYMENTS:** ACH payment plan payments are automatically withdrawn on the 15th day of the month, or the next business day, if the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday. All applicants using other payment methods will receive coupons in PDF format that should be printed and included with check payment. Payment options that require monthly coupons are due on the 15th day of the month and are considered late after the 20th.

**QUESTIONS:** Contact the Office of Student Financial Services at 812-488-2565 or 800-423-8633, ext. 2565.



#### **COST OF ATTENDANCE FOR 2021-22**

Cost of Attendance (COA) is the starting figure for all financial aid eligibility calculations. Furthermore, it is the maximum total financial aid (including student and parent loans) that may be awarded for the fall and spring semesters. In general, COA represents the sum of directly-billed charges (tuition, fees, on-campus housing, and meal plan) plus average allowances for indirect educational expenses that may be incurred during the year. The COA budgets for fulltime undergraduate students entering UE in 2021-22 are:

	On-Campus	Off-Campus	Commuter with Family
Full-time Tuition (12-18 Hours)	\$ 38,600	\$ 38,600	\$ 38,600
Full-time Fees	\$ 1,206	\$ 1,206	\$ 1,206
Average Housing and Meal Plan	\$ 13,420		
Expected Annual Direct Cost	\$ 53,226	\$ 39,806	\$ 39,806
Allowances for Indirec	t costs:		
Books	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Living expenses	\$	\$ 12,014	\$ 2,000
Transportation	\$ 844	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,350	\$ 1,200
Cost of Attendance	\$ 56,470	\$55,670	\$45,506

#### Items That May Affect Your Costs

**ADDITIONAL FEES:** Some courses include additional fees for labs, testing, supplies, etc. Music majors should expect to pay for up to four credits of applied music fees annually. These fees will be directly billed to your student account each semester.

**OVERLOAD TUITION:** Students who register for more than 18 credit hours will be charged the regular rate for the first 18 hours and an additional per-credit-hour rate for each credit hour over 18 hours per semester.

**PART-TIME TUITION:** (1-11 hours): Students enrolled part-time are charged per credit hour.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR DIRECT COSTS:** Use the estimated cost information provided through your financial aid offer or our online Estimated Cost Calculator to plan for your expected financial obligations and examine available payment options. Families must ensure that all financial aid has been finalized and have arrangements in place to satisfy their balance prior to the beginning of each semester.



Bills are generated electronically by our office prior to the start of each semester. Student financial aid is divided evenly each semester and will appear as a credit, once all processing is final. Bills and student account activity are viewed through *Account Activity Self -Service* by students and others who have been granted access. In general, payment options include:

- By the semester: Fall bills are generated in July and are due by mid-August. Spring semester bills are generated December 1 and are due by mid-December.
- Enrollment in the UE Monthly Payment Plan.
- Loans: Parent PLUS Loans or Private Student Loans may be requested in amounts to cover the entire direct cost. Additional funds may be requested to cover indirect costs, up to the COA. Once the account balance is satisfied, any excess funds will be refunded to either the student or parent.

## 2021-22 DIRECT COSTS\*

	SEMESTER	ANNUAL
FULL-TIME TUITION (12-18 hours)	\$19,300	\$ 38,600
<b>REQUIRED FEES</b> Student Activity Services Total	\$ 163 440 \$ 603	\$  326 880 \$ 1,206
TOTAL TUITION AND FEES	\$19,903	\$39,806
HOUSING Brentano, Hale, Moore, Morton, Powell, and Schroeder Residence Halls Village Properties Jones Hall Townhomes	\$ 3,470 \$ 3,815 \$ 4,790 \$ 4,890	\$ 6,940 \$ 7,630 \$ 9,580 \$ 9,780
MEAL PLANSMEALSPrime 7UnlimitedPurple 7UnlimitedOrange 5Unlimited WeekdayAces 1212/weekAces 77/week	ACE BUCKS \$ 300 \$ 100 \$ 175 \$ 300 \$ 200	<b>ANNUAL</b> \$ 6,830 \$ 6,480 \$ 6,270 \$ 6,270 \$ 6,270 \$ 2,730

**BOOKS:** Books are a retail purchase. Each semester, up to \$1,000 in book purchases may be charged to the student's UE account through the UE Bookstore.

- \*These costs apply to most full-time undergraduate students and are for planning purposes only. Additional cost information can be found at evansville.edu/student-financial-services/tuition-and-direct-costsoverview.cfm.
- <sup>†</sup> Meal plan information is available through the Office of Residence Life: evansville.edu/residencelife.

## **Rights and Responsibilities of Financial Aid Recipients**

#### Your rights are to:

- Accept, reject, or seek adjustment to your financial aid award without prejudice.
- Know how much aid you will receive each semester, when it will be disbursed, and from what source it is funded.
- Know the terms of any employment program award you are offered.
- Know the interest rate, amount, and repayment starting date for any loans offered to you.
- Know the completion or graduation rate of students, statistics on the receipt of athletically related student aid, campus security policies, and crime statistics.
- Meet with a counselor and review your financial aid record.
- Request a counselor to review any decision you feel warrants consideration due to an emergency or circumstance beyond your control.
- Receive answers to any questions you have about financial aid.
- Appeal any decision made by the Office of Student Financial Services with the University's official Student Financial Services Appeal Committee.
- Know information pertaining to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- Know that FFEL/Direct Loan deferments are possible for Peace Corps or volunteer service.

All financial aid awards are contingent upon availability of funds and matriculation at the University of Evansville and are subject to revision at any time.

Changes in federal, state, and institutional policies could affect information printed in this publication.

#### Your responsibilities are to:

- Provide complete and accurate information on all paper or online forms related to the application for or subsequent processing of financial aid including information provided to the UE Office of Student Financial Services and government or private agencies.
- Respond promptly to requests for documents, signatures, etc., needed to assess aid eligibility or to continue processing aid that has been offered.
- Know and comply with the following University policies and procedures as they relate to financial aid: withdrawal, refund/ repayment, satisfactory academic progress, debt management, and enrollment status for aid disbursement.
- Apply annually for each year you wish to receive financial aid, following the procedures and deadlines publicized by the Office of Student Financial Services.
- Notify (1) the Office of Student Financial Services of changes in your number of credits, financial status, outside scholarship awards, or expected graduation date as well as any changes in household size and number enrolled in postsecondary institutions if they change at any time during the award year; and (2) the Office of the Registrar if your name, address, or telephone number changes.
- Complete online exit counseling and/or attend an exit appointment before graduation or withdrawal and repay all loans according to the terms of your truth-in-lending and promissory note (loan agreement).
- Read information provided in the University of Evansville's Financial Aid Guide and on all forms and in all emails you receive from our office.
- Review your aid and notify the Office of Student Financial Services of any discrepancies within the term of disbursement.

#### Student consumer information can be found at evansville.edu under Affordability and Aid.



# **Questions?**

We take pride in providing personal attention to our students and families. Please call us with questions or to make an appointment with our offices.

The **Office of Student Financial Services** is in room 105 of Olmsted Administration Hall. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. 812-488-2364 • 800-424-8634 • Fax 844-433-7153 • studentfinancialservices@evansville.edu

The **Office of Student Financial Services Cashier** is in room 105G of Olmsted Administration Hall. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Cashier is responsible for invoicing, collecting payments, and administering the UE Monthly Payment Plan. 812-488-2565 • 800-424-8633 • Fax 812-488-1361

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