TUITION & FINANCIAL AID

Tuition & Fees Information

Information concerning tuition and fees for the 2026-2027 academic year is published on the Student Accounts webpage (https://www.wm.edu/offices/financialoperations/sa/). William & Mary reserves the right to make changes to charges for any and all programs at any time after approval by the Board of Visitors.

Any graduate student registered for nine hours or more per semester for any course level (graduate or undergraduate courses) is considered to be a full-time student and will be charged the full-time rates unless qualified to be a Research Graduate Student. Graduate students will be charged the part-time rates for part-time work (i.e., eight hours or less per semester) based on their established domiciliary status. Information concerning domicile (i.e., in-state and out-of-state classification for tuition) in the Commonwealth of Virginia is available on the University Registrar's website (https://www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/student-records/in-state-residency/). Full-time non-resident degree-seeking graduate students who hold qualifying assistantships may, on the recommendation of the Vice Dean for Research and Graduate Studies and approval of the Provost's Office, pay tuition at the resident rates. Rates for students who enroll in Summer Session will be charged on the same basis. Full-time enrollment in the summer is defined as a total of three hours or more in one summer session or in any combination of summer sessions, and half-time enrollment is defined as two hours.

Part-time students who are not enrolled as degree-seeking students at William & Mary (i.e., non-degree seeking post-baccalaureate students), must complete the Application to Determine Physical Residency and In-State Tuition Eligibility (https://www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/student-records/in-state-residency/) to determine eligibility for in-state tuition. Students determined to be domiciled outside of Virginia will pay out-of-state rates. Those determined to be residents will pay according to the in-state rates.

Charges for part-time students to audit courses are the same as courses taken for credit.

Graduate Assistantships, Scholarships, and Fellowships

Graduate assistantships, scholarships, and fellowships are available in many departments/programs for full-time graduate students. For details, applicants should write to the department/program. Application for aid should be made on the application form for admission to graduate study. Awards are made on the basis of merit. Graduate assistants work on average twenty hours a week or less during the academic year or the summer depending upon the stipend awarded. They must satisfactorily carry out the duties assigned by their departments/program committees, must make satisfactory academic progress in their degree programs as defined by the Grading and Academic Progress section of the School of Computing, Data Sciences, and Physics (CDSP) Graduate Catalog and by the requirements and milestones defined in the student's graduate program's section in the CDSP Graduate Catalog, and may not hold any other employment or appointment of a remunerative nature during the term of their assistantships without approval of the Vice Dean for Research and Graduate Studies. Failure to comply with these conditions will lead to revocation of appointments. Approval from the Vice Dean for Research and Graduate Studies is required for additional employment/appointment of a remunerative nature. The number of hours of additional employment plus the number of hours worked as a graduate assistant may not exceed 29 hours per week. For fully supported assistantships, this represents no more than 9 additional hours per week. Requests will only be considered from students in good academic standing, and when the additional employment is not anticipated to adversely affect the student's progress towards the degree. Approval does not imply exemption by the Internal Revenue Service from Social Security and Medicare taxes. To ensure that their IRS status as students is maintained, students should consult the appropriate IRS documents and/or a tax advisor. It is the responsibility of international students to understand their visa restrictions before accepting on-campus or off-campus employment.

Summer stipend or fellowship funds administered through the CDSP Dean's Office will not be approved for payment to new domestic graduate students (i.e., domestic students who have not been previously enrolled in their W&M graduate program) during the summer sessions (approximately June 1-August 1) unless the student has been officially admitted to the W&M graduate program for the summer and is enrolled in a W&M summer course for zero or more graduate credits.

New international W&M graduate students who are required by their department to arrive more than 30 days before the first day of class must be admitted and enrolled as full-time W&M graduate students during the summer.

All financial aid will be revoked if a student fails to make satisfactory academic progress toward their degree as defined by the Grading and Academic Progress section of the CDSP Graduate Catalog or fails to register as a full-time student. Graduate assistants are normally paid in equal installments (minus deductions for federal and state withholding taxes and applicable federal social security taxes) on the first and sixteenth of each month. The portion of a graduate fellowship or scholarship applicable to a semester is initially applied to payment of tuition for that semester. Any amount remaining after payment of tuition may be refunded to the student. Students wishing to apply for student loans should submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1 (new students) or March 15 (returning students). Award letters will be sent in June. For more information, write to aid@wm.edu or visit the William & Mary Financial Aid website (https://www.wm.edu/admission/financialaid/).

Veterans Educational Benefits

William & Mary appreciates the sacrifices that our active-duty, veterans, reservists, National Guard, and military dependents make as they serve our country. We are committed to our active duty service members, their dependents and veterans in transitioning to the College and being successful. Honorably discharged members of the U.S. armed forces are eligible for an application fee waiver by uploading a copy of their Leave Earnings Statement (LES) or DD214 directly to their application for admission. Please visit the University Registrar's (https://www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/student-records/military-veteran-benefits/) webpage for additional information about Veterans Education Benefits.

Information for Senior Citizens

Tuition may be waived for senior citizens taking a course for audit or eligible senior citizens taking a course for credit. Please review the Senior Citizens Higher Education Act of 1974 for eligibility requirements. Registration for Senior Citizens begins the first day of classes of each term. Please visit the University Registrar's webpage (https://

www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/registration/non-degree-seeking-students/seniorcitizens/) for additional information.