EXPENSES

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The Board of Regents of Higher Education approves all student fee charges. Fees are subject to change at any time.

Student charges and refunds are posted under the student's name, not the parent's. Therefore, all fee statements and bill notifications are e-mailed to the student, not the parents. Refund checks are mailed to the student. (Exception: Refund checks generated as a result of a Parent PLUS loan are mailed to the parents unless the Financial Aid Office has written authorization to disburse the funds to the student.)

Students are personally responsible for meeting their financial obligations at the times stated in the term calendar. Any additional fees or charges assessed after the initial fee payment each term are due immediately. A student's registration is not complete until all fees are paid.

All students are urged to safeguard their personal funds by establishing checking accounts. It is most helpful for a student to be able to write checks for exact amounts for fees, board and room, and other necessary expenses. A local bank account is also good identification while on campus.

A check presented to MSU which is subsequently returned by the bank for insufficient funds or other reasons may cause the cancellation of a student's registration, reporting to federal agencies, and/or a request to terminate board and room. A returned check service charge of $25 is assessed for all returned checks.

Estimated Expenses

Academic Year Estimates

*The expenses shown below reflect estimated costs for a student carrying a full-time load (12 or more credits) for fall and spring semesters, 2008-2009. These expenses include fees and other charges. These figures are subject to change at any time and should be regarded as estimates only.

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Undergraduate Resident Students

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Undergraduate Non-Resident Students

* MSU’s undergraduate tuition rate applies to undergraduate students at all class levels (Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior). There is not a higher rate for Junior and Senior students. These figures do not include a $759.00 per semester supplemental health insurance fee required of students who do not have proof of insurance coverage.

** For on-campus residents, these costs include in-room 100MB high-speed internet service, unlimited entry into residence hall dining areas, cable TV and unlimited local phone service. Room and Board above is based on double room, 5 day meal plan (add $104/semester for 7 day plan). Food and housing costs will vary depending on a student’s living arrangements and lifestyle.

***The actual cost of books and supplies may vary depending upon curriculum.

****Financial Aid budgets include a personal/transportation/miscellaneous figure of $1,375 per semester ($2,750 per year). Personal/miscellaneous expenses may vary depending on individual circumstances.

Additional Fees Paid by Post-Baccalaureate and Graduate Students

Graduate students or students who have already received one undergraduate degree (post-baccalaureate) will be charged fees at a higher rate than undergraduates. (Please see the Fee Schedule.)

Additional Fees Paid by Out-of-State Students

Resident or non-resident status for fee purposes is determined by Montana statutes and regulations of the Board of Regents. A copy of these regulations may be obtained by visiting or writing the Office of Admissions.

Students of legal age and minors whose parents have not established residence for fee purposes are required to pay the non-resident fees. See Residency Requirements for Fee Purposes.

Non-matriculated Fees

An adult not regularly enrolled at Montana State University may, with permission of the instructor, register for a non-laboratory class upon the payment of the same fees as students enrolled for credit. The person so registering may not participate in class discussion or take examinations. Applications for non-matriculated enrollment should be made through the Registrar, who will provide a form for approval by the instructor.

Auditor's Fee

Regularly enrolled students who register for courses without credit pay the same fees as students enrolled for credit.

Extended Studies

Extended Studies courses are open to regularly enrolled MSU students as well as non-MSU students. Courses of particular interest to MSU students are listed along with their fees on a special page in the Schedule of Classes. Many of these courses are offered during
FALL 2008 FEE SCHEDULE

The following table of fees are the per credit, per semester charges for resident and non-resident. More detailed listings of specific fees are also available.

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* These figures DO NOT include the $795.00 fee for medical insurance, which can be waived with proof of insurance.

Exemptions from Payment of Certain Fees

Registration and Tuition: Undergraduate students holding high school honor, merit, or Indian scholarships and Montana citizens sixty-two years of age or older are exempt from tuition. Undergraduate students with dean's or advanced honor scholarships may be exempted from the tuition, in amounts to be determined by the scholarship committee depending upon funds available for this purpose.

Tuition: Professional staff and non-professional staff employed at least three-quarter time are exempt from tuition for six credits only. Certain graduate research assistants and graduate teaching assistants on staff appointments on date of registration, registered for at least seven credits and approved by the dean of graduate studies, may also be exempted from the tuition.

Student Activity and Health Service Fees: Students who are required by the university to complete their entire semester's work off campus and more than fifty miles from Bozeman are exempt from Student Activity and Health Service Fees as are professional staff and non-professional staff employed at least three-quarter time.

In Absentia: Students registered in absentia pay only the registration fee.

Other Charges

The following fees are in addition to those listed in the fee schedule. Fees are subject to change at any time. Non-matriculated students pay the same fees as regularly enrolled students. See also Course Fees.

Ski Fee (does not include transportation, lift fees, or equipment rental)...
Alpine...
Nordic...
Reading Improvement Lab...
Residence Hall Social Fee...
Late Payment assessed the first day after regular payment...
Additional late fee...
Uniforms and shoes...
College of Nursing pin...
Upper division petition deposit...
Program Fees...
Undergraduate...
Graduate...
Doctoral Dissertation...
Exams given by special request...
(May include Graduate Record, College Entrance and Placement, GED, Miller Analogies, Dappel, and Minnesota Engineering exams.)
Course Materials Fee...
Education, Biology, Architecture, Microbiology, and Music.
Field Trip Fee...
Program Fees...
Returned Check Service Charge...
I.D. Card Fee...
Duplicate I.D. Card...
Vehicle Registration for Students and Staff...
Student Activity and Health Service Fees...
Ski Fee...
Tuition...
Registration and Tuition...
Exemptions from Payment of Certain Fees...
the evening hours to accommodate student schedules. For information contact the Office of Extended Studies at (406)994-6683, e-mail at outreach@montana.edu or online at btc.montana.edu/outreach.

Testing Fees
The Montana State University Testing Service administers certain testing and examination programs for which fees are charged. The fees are established by testing agencies (companies) other than MSU.

Nursing Students
Nursing students are charged a program fee each semester which covers such costs as mandatory liability insurance while taking clinical courses, pre-NCLEX testing fees, fingerprinting costs, specialized equipment and distance delivery support.

Costs for board, room and transportation will vary in relation to the facilities available in the community where assigned for upper division. If a student does not have a car, she/he must make arrangements for transportation.

Health Insurance
Students carrying seven or more credits are automatically enrolled in the student insurance plan each semester if they do not waive it during registration. Students carrying fewer than seven credits, spouses, and dependents must enroll themselves if they desire coverage. Students wishing to apply for exemption from the insurance plan must do so online at the time of registration; proof of other medical insurance coverage is required. Those students who provide proof of insurance coverage after they pay fees will receive a refund after the fifteenth class day of the term.

Complete information on student insurance may be obtained from the Student Insurance Office in the Swingle Student Health Center.

Special Fees and Charges for Foreign Students
An additional administrative fee will be charged to all foreign students who come to the University.

Special Exemptions

Honorably Discharged Veteran Fee Waiver
A veteran who meets all of the following conditions is eligible for a waiver of registration fee and tuition:
1. "Honorable" discharge ("General Under Honorable Conditions" will not be accepted) from any branch of the U.S. Armed Forces for service on active duty for other than training purposes.
2. Bona fide resident of Montana for fee and tuition purposes.
3. At some time eligible for VA educational benefits but benefits were exhausted or have expired (VEAP eligible veterans who withdrew a portion of their VEAP contribution before benefits expired are not eligible for the Fee Waiver).
4. Qualifies under one of the following:
   a. Served December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946; June 22, 1950 to January 31, 1955; or January 1, 1964 to May 7, 1975. Waiver available to all otherwise qualified undergraduate and graduate students who served during one of these periods.
   or
   b. Working on initial undergraduate degree and received an Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for service during one of the following periods: Grenada, October 23, 1983 through November 21, 1983; Lebanon, June 1, 1983 through December 1, 1987; Panama, December 20, 1989 through January 31, 1990.
   or
   c. Working on initial undergraduate degree and received the Southwest Asia Service Medal for service in the Persian Gulf between August 2, 1990 and April 11, 1991.

Qualified recipients may receive the fee waiver for a total of twelve semesters and must maintain satisfactory progress as established by the Board of Regents.

Application for this waiver must be made through the MSU Office of Veterans’ Affairs, Montana State University, P.O. Box 173960, Bozeman, MT 59717-3960 at least two weeks before fee payment for the semester in which the recipient expects to qualify. Phone 406-994-3661 for additional information.

State Benefits
The registration fee and tuition are waived at any of the units of the Montana University System for children of members of the United States armed forces who served on active duty during World War II, the Korean conflict or the Viet Nam conflict, and who, at the time of entry into the services, had legal residence in Montana and who were killed in action or who died as a result of injury, disease, or other disability incurred while in service. Children who desire to study under the "War Orphans" educational law must enter any of the Montana University System institutions before the age of twenty-one to be eligible for waiver of the registration fee and tuition. Application for the waiver of registration fee and tuition must be made, well in advance of the date of anticipated enrollment, to the Commissioner of Higher Education (2500 Broadway, Helena, Montana 59620-3101), who will determine eligibility and notify the student and the Office of Financial Aid Services of the institution.

Senior Citizens
Registration fee and tuition are waived for Montana citizens who are (65) sixty-five years of age or older.

Staff Members
Professional and non-professional staff employed at least three-fourths time for the entire term may, as employees of MSU, be exempt from payment of the activity and health fees, and incidental fees on the first six credits. Staff members should notify the Office of Financial Aid Services with their date of appointment.

Refund of Fees

Drop/Add
Students dropping courses during the first fifteen class days are currently given a full refund for those courses. Fees for courses dropped after the fif-
teenth class day will not be refunded. The drop refund policy is subject to change. For summer term, please see the refund schedule located here.

The health, dental, and athletic activity fees will not be refunded to students dropping to a credit load of less than seven credits if services have been provided.

**University Withdrawal**

Fees except those listed below will be refunded based upon the following schedule, unless otherwise required by the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended. The Dean of Students’ Office records will establish the date used for refunding. Refunds will not be granted for withdrawals after the completion of the term.

Non-refundable fees are: registration fee, ID fee, orientation fee, late fee, deferred installment fees, social fees, foreign student fee, dorm deposit, new student fee, and transfer student fee.

If health and/or dental services have been provided, NO refunds of those fees will be given.

If health and/or dental services have NOT been provided, the refund amount will be based upon the following schedule:

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**Financial Aid and Student Employment**

**Office of Financial Aid Services**

The Office of Financial Aid Services at Montana State University administers federal, state, and institutional aid programs designed to help eligible students pay for their educational expenses. Amounts of awards vary and depend upon the student’s demonstrated and verified financial need as well as the amount of funds available for distribution.

To apply for financial aid, students and parents of dependent students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year. The FAFSA can be filed electronically at www.fafsa.ed.gov, or by mailing the paper application. Paper applications can be requested from the Department of Education at: 1-800-433-3243.

To be eligible for financial aid, an individual must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States and apply for admission to the University as a degree-seeking student. Priority consideration is given to students who apply by MSU’s financial aid priority filing date, which is March 1 of the preceding year (e.g., March 1, 2008 for the academic year beginning in September 2008).

Students applying for financial assistance are considered for all aid programs for which they are eligible. Assistance is offered in the form of grants, scholarships, tuition waivers, long-term loans that must be repaid after leaving school, and work opportunities. Publications describing the different programs, eligibility criteria, satisfactory progress, and application procedures are available via the Internet at www.montana.edu/wwwfa/, or at the Office of Financial Aid Services, 135 Strand Union, P.O. Box 174160, Bozeman, MT 59717-4160. Our telephone number is: (406) 994-2845.

Both undergraduate and graduate students may apply for aid. Assistance to graduate students is generally limited to long-term loans and work opportunities. Information on graduate fellowships, scholarships, and assistantships may be obtained from the Division of Graduate Education.

Although student expenses will vary according to differences in courses of study, residency status, housing arrangements, transportation costs, and other factors, the table of estimated expenses may be used to determine the projected cost of education for a school year (two semesters). In estimating university costs, between-semester expenses should not be overlooked.

Please remember that policies and procedures governing financial assistance at MSU are subject to change at any time, without prior notification or publication, due to changes in university, state, and/or federal guidelines and regulations.

The Office of Financial Aid Services is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM or as otherwise posted. Our phone lines are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The office is located in Room 135 in the Strand Union Building which is equipped with an elevator for disabled students.