UNDERGRADUATE TUITION RATE AND PAYMENT GUIDE

2025-2026 Academic Year



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Tuition and Fee Rates

2025-2026 TUITION RATES AND FEES	Semester	Annual
Full-Time Undergraduate*	\$28,590.00	\$57,180.00
Engineering Program Fee	\$ 1,270.00	\$ 2,540.00
Nursing General Fee	\$ 578.00	\$ 1,156.00
Nursing Fee Clinicals (Juniors and Seniors)	\$ 185.00	\$ 370.00
Nursing Fee Technology (Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors)	\$ 90.00	\$ 180.00
Traditional Nursing NCLEX Preparation Fee		
(Assessed Fall only)		
Sophomore		\$ 366.00
Junior		\$ 366.00
Senior		\$ 490.00
Accelerated Nursing NCLEX Preparation Fee	\$ 220.00	
(Assessed each semester-four semester cohorts)		
Nursing Associations Membership Fee (Fall only)		\$ 65.00
Nursing Graduation Pictures Fee (Seniors-Fall only)		\$ 45.00
Traditional Nursing Lantern Fee (Seniors-Spring only)		\$ 30.00
Accelerated Nursing Lantern Fee (Seniors-Fall only)		\$ 30.00
Part Time Undergraduate (per credit)	\$ 1,906.00	
Part Time Engineering Undergraduate (per credit)	\$ 2,007.00	

^{*}Full-time Undergraduate tuition rate is for 12 to 20 credits per semester. Engineering tuition rate is for 12 to 21 credits per semester. Each credit hour in excess of 20 (or 21 for engineering) is additionally assessed at the per semester part-time undergraduate credit hour rate or the Engineering Undergraduate rate.

Accelerated Nursing Program (for 4 semesters)	Semester	Annual (plus fees)
Fall 2025 start (Chester)	\$12,735.00	\$50,940.00
Fall 2024 start (Chester)	\$12,485.00	\$49,940.00

MANDATORY FEES	Semester	Annual
Student Activity Fee	\$ 185.00	\$ 370.00
Technology Fee (Chester full time students)	\$ 365.00	\$ 730.00

PART-TIME TECHNOLOGY FEE	Semester	Annual	
3 to 11 credits	\$ 150.00		

OTHER FEES	Semester	Annual
Parking Pass 24 hour		\$ 300.00
Parking Pass 18 hour (6:00 am to midnight)		\$ 155.00
New Student Matriculation Fee		\$ 120.00
New Student Orientation Fee		\$ 230.00
Part Time General Student Fee		\$ 38.00

Housing and Meal Plan Rates

ROOM TYPE	Semester	Annual	Residence Halls
Non-AC Traditional Double	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 8,400.00	1300, Castle, Manor
Non-AC Traditional Single	\$ 4,610.00	\$ 9,220.00	1300, Castle, Manor
Non-AC Traditional Triple	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 8,200.00	Castle
AC Traditional Single	\$ 5,000.00	\$10,000.00	500s, Boettner, New, Thayer, Howell, Grasselli, Sharples, Kapelski, Moll, Cann, Hanna, Turrell
AC Traditional Double	\$ 4,610.00	\$ 9,220.00	500s, Boettner, New, Thayer, Howell, Grasselli, Sharples, Kapelski, Moll, Cann, Hanna, Turrell
Suite Style Double	\$ 5,125.00	\$10,250.00	Dixon North, Dixon South
Apartment Style Single	\$ 5,840.00	\$11,680.00	Metro, Harris
Apartment Style Double	\$ 5,430.00	\$10,860.00	Metro, Harris
Harris Double w/Private	\$ 4,865.00	\$ 9,730.00	Harris
Bathroom, No Kitchen			
Harris Double w/Shared Bathroom, No Kitchen	\$ 4,815.00	\$ 9,630.00	Harris

DINING PLANS with Food Court (effective Academic Year 2025-26)	Semester	Annual
Unlimited Platinum w/\$375 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 7,900.00
Unlimited Gold w/\$300 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 3,875.00	\$ 7,750.00
Unlimited Blue w/\$200 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 3,775.00	\$ 7,550.00

The three Unlimited meal plans offer unlimited access each day in the Pride Cafe. These meal plans offer the biggest value, and most versatility. Meal swipes can be converted to meal exchanges up to two times per day for specific menu items in select retail locations, providing even more value, variety, and flexibility. Dining Dollars are like a gift card for food on campus and are attached directly to your student ID. Dining Dollars are accepted at all of our on-campus retail dining locations. Unused Dining Dollars will carry over from fall to spring as long as you have a meal plan in each semester.

Unlimited Weekday w/\$300 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange | \$ 3,370.00 | \$ 6,740.00

The Unlimited Weekday plan offers unlimited access each weekday in the Pride Cafe. Meal swipes can be converted to meal exchanges up to two times per day for specific menu items in select retail locations, providing even more value, variety, and flexibility. Dining Dollars are like a gift card for food on campus and are attached directly to your student ID. Dining Dollars are accepted at all of our on-campus retail dining locations. Unused Dining Dollars will carry over from fall to spring as long as you have a meal plan in each semester.

Resident Dining Plan Options

Cohort	Metro/Harris Apartments with Full Kitchen (i.e. stove)	All other Residence Halls
1 st year	Any Unlimited Meal Plan	Any Unlimited Meal Plan
2 nd year	Any Unlimited Meal Plan	Any Unlimited Meal Plan
	Unlimited Weekday	
3 rd year & above		Meal Plan Optional

Meal plans can be changed up until the first Friday after the official start of the semester.

First- and second-year students that live in residence halls, including those in Metropolitan and Harris Hall apartments, must purchase one of the three Unlimited Meal Plans, which includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner on weekdays and brunch and dinner on weekends.

Second-year students living in Metropolitan or Harris Hall apartments with full kitchens can purchase any of the Unlimited Meal Plans or the Unlimited Weekday Meal Plan. Second-year students living in spaces without full kitchens can purchase any of the Unlimited Meal Plans. Students with an Unlimited Plan may use two meal exchanges per day.

Third-year and above students living on campus may select any meal plan, including block plans, or may opt out of selecting a meal plan. Block plans are only available to commuters, graduate students, and to students in their third year of study or above. Block meal plans must be used in the semester in which they are purchased. Meals purchased through block plans do not carry forward to the next term. Students with a block plan may use two meal exchanges per day.

OFF CAMPUS MEAL PLANS (effective Academic Year 2025-26)	Semester
Block 180 w/\$425 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 3,285.00
Block 105 w/\$275 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 1,650.00
Block 75 w/\$525 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 1,685.00
Block 30 w/\$180 Dining Dollars w/Meal Exchange	\$ 610.00

Block plans have the unique feature of having all of your meals loaded on your student ID at the beginning of the semester. Packages vary based on meals and Dining Dollars allotted, so you can select the one that best fits your dining habits. Meal swipes can be converted to meal exchanges up to for specific menu items in **select** retail locations, providing even more value, variety, and flexibility. Included with each Block plan are Dining Dollars. Dining Dollars are like a gift card for food on campus and are attached directly to your student ID. Dining Dollars are accepted at all of our oncampus retail dining locations. Unused Dining Dollars will carry over from fall to spring as long as you have a meal plan in each semester.

All Dining Do	llars	\$ 500.00

Dining Dollars are like a gift card for food on campus and are attached directly to your student ID. Dining Dollars are accepted at all of our on-campus retail dining locations. Unused Dining Dollars will carry over from fall to spring as long as you have a meal plan in each semester. Dining Dollars will not carry over between academic years.

Note: No refunds on purchases of block meal plans.

Refund Policy

University Complete Withdrawal Policy

If you decide to completely withdraw from the University, tuition (see University Refund Policy for Room and Board information section) is refunded based on the following tables:

Full Summer Semesters, Fall Semester and Spring Semester		
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add	
90% Refund	If completed by calendar day 19	
75% Refund	If completed by calendar day 29	
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 40	
25% Refund	If completed by calendar day 50	
0% Refund	No refunds after calendar day 50	

Summer SU1 and Summer SU2	
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 15
0% Refund	No refund after calendar day 15

8-week module classes	
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 15
0% Refund	No refund after calendar day 15

Winter Term	
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 8
0% Refund	No refund after calendar day 8

^{*}The first day of the semester refers to the official start date of the semester. Please refer to the academic calendar for important semester dates.

Adjustments to charges for complete withdrawal will be effective on the date written notice is received by the appropriate program office of Widener University. At that point the Complete Withdrawal Policy and refunding of semester charges is enacted. Students have a drop/add period at the start of each semester to adjust their schedule of courses. Once drop/add ends, semester course schedules are set and there is no refund issued when a student does a course withdrawal (a "W" is noted on the student transcript) from one or more courses throughout the semester unless the student is withdrawing from all courses in the semester.

Note: If you completely withdraw from the University AND have received financial aid, you may be responsible for returning financial aid funds you have received based on the eligibility requirements set by the federal government.

University Refund Policy for Room and Board

If you decide to do a complete withdrawal from the University or are approved to change from a resident to commuter or off campus student, semester room and board charges are refunded based on the following tables:

Full Summer Semesters, Fall Semester and Spring Semester	
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add
90% Refund	If completed by calendar day 19
75% Refund	If completed by calendar day 29
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 40
0% Refund	No refunds after calendar day 40

Summer SU1 and Summer SU2	
100% Refund	If completed by the last day of drop/add
50% Refund	If completed by calendar day 15
0% Refund	No refund after calendar day 15

Please Note: No refunds on purchases of block meal plans and All Dining Dollar Plans.

See section for semester tuition and fee charges complete withdrawal refund information.

Student Insurance Programs

Student Health Insurance

Student Health Insurance is mandatory for all full-time undergraduate students. Contact the Student Health Services Office at 610-499-1183 for information regarding benefits and waiver eligibility.

Athletic Insurance

Student athletes are <u>required</u> to purchase the Widener University Excess Athletic Injury policy. An athletic insurance fee will be assessed to all students who try out, or participate on, a Widener University athletic team or play club sports. Contact the Student Health Services Office at 610-499-1183.

Student Account and Billing Information

My Online Student Account

"My Online Student Account" enables all enrolled Widener University students to access their financial information via *myWidener*. You can view copies of your semester statements of account, set up payment plans, make online payments, set up authorized users, and update your payment profile.

Widener Students can access Billing and Account website at: www.widener.edu/mybill.

Parents and other payers authorized by a student can directly access the Widener Student Billing and Account website at: www.widener.edu/ebill.

Student Financial Services will be using your Widener email account as the primary vehicle for communicating important information and deadlines. Please access your Widener email account frequently.

Billing/Student Account Statement Information Payment Due Dates:

SUMMER SEMESTER 2025	Due date:	May 15, 2025
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Note: Due date may vary. Tuition and fees are due on the 1st day of classes. For most students this date will be May 15, 2025. If you are taking a class that begins on a different date, your tuition will be due on the 1st day of your class.

FALL SEMESTER 2025	Due date:	July 15, 2025
WINTER TERM 2026	Due date:	December 15, 2025
SPRING SEMESTER 2026	Due date:	December 15, 2025

You can register for classes after a semester payment due date but you will be required to obtain financial clearance at the time of registration by providing payment in full, enrolling in a payment plan and making the first payment, having financial aid to cover the balance or a third-party authorization for payment.

You will be able to view a copy of your student account and your online activity through *myWidener* and the "My Online Student Account" function. If you have a monthly balance due, you will also be able to view the balance through your e-bill. Each time we upload an e-bill, you will receive an email notification to your Widener assigned email address. All electronic statements will be sent to any authorized users that have been set up by the student.

How to Pay

To pay ON-LINE with a credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover) or via Direct Debit from a checking or savings account:

Step #1	Log on to your Widener account through myWidener
Step #2	www.widener.edu/mybill

Parents and other payers authorized by a student can directly access the Widener Student Billing and Account website at: www.widener.edu/ebill.

There is no charge for using direct debit from a checking or savings account as a payment method. Credit card payments will be charged a 2.95% service fee.

Important Note about Credit Card Payments/Refund Policy

Payments made toward student tuition accounts using a credit card will be charged a 2.95% service fee by our credit card vendor TouchNet/Paypath. The service fee is non-refundable, even if the student account payment is refunded. Authorization of a credit card payment to a student account signifies acceptance of these terms.

If you would like to mail your payment (checks only):

Make your check payable to Widener University and write your student identification number on the check. The cancelled check will serve as your receipt. Please enclose payment and mail to: 4/2/2025

Widener University
Student Financial Services-Lipka
Hall
One University Place
Chester, PA 19013

CAUTION: DO NOT SEND CASH OR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION THROUGH THE MAIL

If you need to wire tuition payments to Widener University, email your request to the University Bursar at <u>busoffmc@widener.edu</u> including student name and Widener ID in the body of the email.

If you would like to pay your account in person:

You may make your payments (cash, check, money order only) in person at Student Financial Services in Lipka Hall (Main Campus).

Summer Office hours (May 19- August 8, 2025) are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Closed Fridays).

Regular semester office hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Note: During peak times of the semester the phone lines are extremely busy and it may be difficult to get through. Leave a message and one of the student service representatives will return your call within 24 hours.

Payment Options

University Payment Plans

Payment plans are designed to assist students in managing the "gap" or balance remaining after all charges and financial aid have been applied to the student account. Widener University assesses charges by semester; the statement of account will reflect charges for the current semester tuition, fees and housing. Your financial aid offer letter also breaks up your annual award by semester and applies financial aid to your student account by semester. Widener payment plans are designed to assist in covering each semester balance. Please note that additional charges incurred may require adjustment to your plan.

Widener University offers two (2) semester-based payment plans:

3-Month Summer Semester Payment Plan

Enrollment Fee: \$50

The 3-month semester payment plan is available for the Summer Semester. This plan distributes the total semester estimated net charges across 3 months with payments due:

Summer Semester – May, June, and July

Fall/Spring Semester Payment Plans Enrollment Fee: \$75 per semester

The payment plan is available for both the Fall and Spring Semesters. This plan distributes the total <u>semester</u> estimated net charges across month plan selected with payments due in Fall and Spring semesters.

If you have any questions regarding payment plans or payment options, contact Student Financial Services at 610-499-4161.

How to Enroll in University Payment Plan:

Step #1	Log on to your Widener account through myWidener
Step #2	www.widener.edu/mybill

Parents and other payers authorized by a student can directly access the Widener Student Billing and Account website at: www.widener.edu/ebill.

If you have any questions regarding payment plans or payment options, contact Student Financial Services at 610-499-4161.

Late Payment Fees

The late fee amount will be determined by the outstanding balance. Late payment fees will be assessed regardless of the source of payment. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all payments have been received, payment plan enrollment has been completed, financial aid paperwork has been completed or third-party authorizations have been received by the published due dates.

Late Fees assessed once per	Amount
semester	
Balance: \$200 - \$999	\$ 25
Balance: \$1,000 - \$1,499	\$ 50
Balance: \$1,500 - \$1,999	\$ 75
Balance: \$2,000 - \$3,499	\$150
Balance: \$3,500 - \$4,999	\$200
Balance: \$5,000 - \$5,999	\$250
Balance: \$6,000 and up	\$300

Insufficient Fund Fees

A fee of \$25 will be assessed for insufficient funds; which include invalid account numbers and stop payments, from any check or ACH payment that is returned.

Receiving Your Excess Financial Aid

Student Financial Services disburses financial aid to student accounts daily. All financial aid is applied to outstanding charges on your student account. If you have more financial aid than charges, you may be entitled to have these funds remitted to you.

To sign up for Direct Deposit, which is our preferred method of delivery, the electronic form is available through *myWidener*. Financial aid refunds are available through ACH or paper check option. Paper checks will automatically be mailed to the address in the system.

Step #1	Log on to your Widener account through myWidener
Step #2	Enter "Bank Information" in the search bar
Step #3	Click on "Direct Deposit Banking Information"
Step #4	Fill out bank numbers/check agree/click submit

Collection Policy

University Collection Policy

All university charges, fines and services are subject to the University Collection Policy.

Delinquent account statements will be sent to the address on file periodically throughout each semester. All fees and charges must be paid by the published deadlines regardless of receipt of a billing statement. It is the sole responsibility of the student to pay all fees when due. All registration, housing, and miscellaneous student fees, including parking and library fines, must be paid in the semester in which they were incurred. All accounts that are 90 days or more past due are subject to being sent to an external collection agency. The student will be responsible for all additional costs associated with collecting the debt.

Holds will be placed on future registration activity, transcripts, and other university services until the debt is paid in full.

For the complete University Collection Policy contact Student Financial Services.

Veteran's Benefits and Transition Act of 2018

A student who anticipates receiving educational assistance under chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or chapter 33, Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits is provided with the opportunity to enroll in and attend classes, without any late fee being imposed, even if the student's anticipated educational assistance from the VA Educational Benefits has not yet arrived at the University. In addition, a student will be able to utilize all University student services, including the library.

This policy is in place for students who have provided to Widener University a certificate of eligibility for entitlement (this may include a Statement of Benefits obtained from the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) website e-Benefits, or a VAF 28-1905 form for chapter 31 authorization purposes for the upcoming term.

The policy may cease once the VA has made payment to the University OR 90 days after the University has received the certificate of eligibility and certified tuition and fees.

For Chapter 31 and Chapter 33 Educational Benefit recipients, Widener University requires students to complete a form and possibly provide additional information to the VA Certifying Official so their certification of enrollment is accurate.

Student Financial Services Contact Information:

Mailing Address:	Widener University
	Student Financial Services-Lipka Hall
	One University Place
	Chester, PA 19013
Telephone:	610-499-4161

Website: http://Widener.edu/BursarOffice

COVID-19 or other pandemic or epidemic may impact the learning experience in unpredictable ways. The University reserves the right at all times to cancel, suspend or delay all or any classes or programs provided by the University, to transition all or any classes or programs to an online or hybrid format, closing campus facilities, or to take any other measures that the University deems necessary in order to protect the health and safety of University community members and/or to comply with health and safety laws, orders, ordinances, regulations, and health and safety guidance issued by local, state and national public health officials.

Summary of Fees Glossary

General Fees

Technology Fee: All students are assessed a non-refundable technology fee each semester. The technology fee is established to fund our state-of-the-art computer equipment and technologies including Canvas learning management system; site-licensed software for the completion of academic work; Microsoft 365; 24/7 support through Widener Helpdesk; online access to journals, e-books, and electronic course reserves; online testing and quizzes; LinkedIn technology training courses; broadband and telecommunication services; and security solutions to protect student and institutional data.

New Student Matriculation Fee: All newly admitted matriculated undergraduate students will be charged a one-time fee to assist with the cost of services associated with the enrollment of first-year and transfer students.

New Student Orientation Fee: A one-time mandatory fee assessed in the fall to all new undergraduate first-year and transfer students. This fee supports the cost associated with our informative orientation program and special events.

Course Fees: Course fees are charged only to students enrolled in courses for which a supplemental fee has been established to assist with the cost of lab supplies, technology needs, or other special requirements of the course.

Semester Payment Plan Enrollment Fee: Payment plan enrollment fees are assessed to students enrolling in the Widener University payment plan. This fee allows for the student to spread their balance over a period of four months during the fall and spring or three months during the summer, and it is charged each time a student opts for a payment plan.

Student Activity Fee: A semesterly fee used to support co-curricular and extracurricular student activities and programming, including clubs and organizations. A portion of the fee collected is distributed through the Student Government Association.

Major-Specific Fees

Engineering Program Fee: All students majoring in engineering will be assessed a non-refundable engineering program fee each semester. The program fee will fund the additional cost of instruction, technology needs, and specialized equipment required to administer the program.

Nursing General Fee: All students majoring in nursing will be assessed a non-refundable nursing program fee each semester. The program fees are essential to support the operational costs associated with providing high-quality education and technology enhancements within the program.

Nursing Clinical Fee (for juniors & seniors): All junior and senior student majoring in nursing will be assessed a non-refundable nursing clinical fee each semester. The fees are essential to support the operation costs associated with nursing clinical placements and monitoring requirements while allowing hands-on-experience and a breadth of different nursing specialties.

Nursing Technology Fee (for sophomore, juniors & seniors): All sophomore, junior, and senior students majoring in nursing will be assessed a non-refundable nursing technology fee each semester. The technology fees are essential to support the costs associated with providing system software simulation to prepare students for the NCLEX.

Nursing Testing Fee: All students majoring in nursing will be assessed a non-refundable nursing testing fee. The nursing testing fees are essential for providing our students with ATI prep packages for preparation for the NCLEX.