

Financial Information

Costs and Fees

Whitworth College is an independent institution and, like most such institutions, receives minimal support from public funds. Each student is charged tuition and fees that cover approximately three-fourths of what it costs the college to provide its services. The balance of these costs is met by income from the endowment and by gifts from trustees, alumni and other friends of the college. All details for payment of current charges must be finalized before students enroll for classes. Payment in full is due at the beginning of each semester. Students and their parents may also choose to use the monthly payment option that spreads payments over a four-month period each semester (August–November for fall, January–April for spring).

Costs for the 2002-03 academic year

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| Tuition | \$18,550 |
| Room and Board | 6,050 |
| Associated Student Body Fee | 154 |
| Hixson Union Building Fee | 24 |
| Total | \$24,778 |

A full-time academic load is 12 to 17 semester credits in the fall and spring semesters and three to five semester credits in Jan Term.

Room and board charges do not cover regular college vacation periods. The above rate provides for a double room and 21 meals per week. Several other “meals-per-term” plans are available. Students in private rooms pay approximately 36 percent additional room rent.

All full-time students are required to be covered by Plan I Accident/Medical Insurance. The cost for this insurance is \$35 per term or \$70 per year. This plan has a maximum benefit of \$5,000 per student.

All full-time undergraduate students are required to carry medical insurance. The college offers a medical insurance plan that has a \$10,000 benefit limit. The cost for this Supplemental Accident and Sickness Insurance is \$110 per year. If a student has other insurance, the health insurance may be waived by providing a waiver card to the Student Accounts Office by the first week of classes. This coverage is by a secondary carrier and will pick up deductibles for other insurance plans.

All international students are required to participate in the mandatory Plan I Accident/Medical Insurance (\$70 per year), an extended Supplemental Accident and Sickness Insurance (\$160 per year), the International Plan which extends the Accident and Sickness Benefits for international students to \$50,000 (\$168 per year), and student fees (\$78 per year). These insurance plans are a requirement for all international students and may not be waived. Specific information on these plans is available at the Health Center.

Additional expenses for books, supplies, personal items and transportation will vary with each student and are a necessary consideration when planning total costs. Financial Aid disbursements will arrive after the term has started; they should not be considered when a student is planning initial expenses.

Since fees are published several months in advance of the academic year, the Whitworth College Board of Trustees reserves the right to change this fee structure.

Miscellaneous Costs (2002-03)

Part-Time Day School

For students enrolling in less than a full-time academic load, tuition is charged by semester credit.
Per semester credit\$775

Excess Semester Credits

For semester credits in excess of 17 semester credits, fall and spring semesters, five credits Jan Term.

Per semester credit.....\$495

Audit fee

Per semester credit.....\$380

Evening School

The maximum undergraduate course load in the Evening College is eight semester credits.

Per semester credit.....\$195

Combination Day and Evening Classes – 8-Credit Maximum

Evening College, per sem. credit.....\$195

Day School, per sem. credit.....\$285

Graduate program rates are included in the specific program bulletins.

Special Courses/Fees

Several courses (in art, physical education and music, among others) carry special fees to cover extra costs. These classes and their fees are listed in the course schedule for each semester.

Change in Registration Fee

Per schedule change.....\$ 15

Transcript Fee

\$ 5 first transcript, \$ 4 each additional copy per transaction.

(Transcripts and diplomas are released only when all financial accounts are current.)

A more detailed list of miscellaneous fees is available from the Student Accounts Office. All fees are subject to change without notice.

Fees for off-campus and international study programs vary according to the program. For additional information, check with the Office of Off-Campus Study Programs.

Tuition and Fees Refund Policy

All refunds must be claimed through proper application to the Student Accounts Office. Students must secure the forms from the Registrar’s Office for class drops and withdrawals. The date the form is received by the Registrar’s Office will be used to establish the refund withdrawal date.

The published refund schedule is available in the Student Accounts Office.

A student who officially drops or withdraws from classes during the course of the term is eligible for an adjustment of charges as follows:

| Withdrawal/Drop | Refund | Applicable to |
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| First (1 st) week | 100% | Tuition and fees, room and board. |
| Second (2 nd) week | 90% | Tuition and fees, room and board. |
| Third (3 rd) week | 80% | Tuition, no fees, room and board. |
| Fourth (4 th) week | 60% | Tuition, no fees, room and board. |
| Fifth (5 th) week | 40% | Tuition, no fees, room and board. |
| Sixth (6 th) and Seventh (7 th) week | 25% | Tuition, no fees, room and board. |
| Eighth (8 th) week | 0% | |

Withdrawal from Whitworth College

In order to avoid charges to his/her student account, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Registrar’s Office regarding withdrawal or cancellation of enrollment from Whitworth College before the beginning of the term. All withdrawals or cancellations made after the beginning of the term must follow the withdrawal process in the Registrar’s Office. Refund calculations will be made as outlined above.