



Program Costs Policy

Background and Purpose:

In order for prospective students to make a fully informed decision about applying to and matriculating into the University of Charleston Physician Assistant Program (UCPAP), they should be made aware of estimated program costs (tuition, fees, etc.) and policies and procedures for refunds of tuition and fees. The purpose of this policy is to clearly articulate these matters to prospective students.

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POLICY STATEMENT

Tuition and Fees

The standard undergraduate tuition rate does not apply to students who matriculate into the UCPAP. The following table outlines the expected total PA program tuition and fees based on the rate of tuition and estimated fees that will be applied for the upcoming academic year. It should be noted that tuition and fees can change from year to year subject to economic influences, the needs of the University, and needs of the Program. Other university service fees may also apply (e.g. parking, activity fee, graduation).

Semester	Tuition	Fees
Spring Semester - Year One	\$12,500	\$1,786.00*
Summer Semester - Year One	\$12,500	\$454.00

Fall Semester - Year One	\$12,500	\$454.00
Spring Semester - Year Two	\$12,500	\$454.00
Summer Semester - Year Two	\$12,500	\$454.00
Fall Semester - Year Two	\$12,500	\$454.00
Spring Semester - Year Three	\$12,500	\$454.00
Subtotals	\$87,500	\$4,510.00
	Total Tuition and Fees	\$92,010

*\$1,332 will be added as a course fee in the first semester for a Macbook Air.

- **Payment:** Payment for tuition and fees for all courses within a semester are due at the beginning of the semester.
- **Refunds:** Refer to the University of Charleston's current Academic Catalog for the policy on refunds, found on the University's website, www.ucwv.edu

Program Required Expenses

The table below includes estimates of additional expenses incurred by students.

Item(s)	Expense
Books and Supplies	\$1,800
Scrubs and Lab Coat	\$200
AAPA Membership (1)	\$75
WVAPA Membership (2)	\$10
Conference Expenses	\$1050
Medical Equipment	\$500
BLS Registration	\$75
ACLS Registration	\$250
Health Insurance	\$4,200
Background Check	\$40
Total	\$8,200

(1) AAPA = *American Academy of Physician Assistants*

(2) WVAPA = *West Virginia Association of Physician Assistants*

Other Expenses

Other expenses are estimated in the table below.

Item(s)	Expense
Room (Campus Apts)	\$31,500
Board	\$11,029
Transportation	\$8,600
Campus Parking	\$700
PA National Certifying Exam Fee	\$475
Total	\$52,304

ARC-PA Associated Standards:

- **A1.02** The sponsoring institution is responsible for:
 - j) defining, publishing, making readily available and consistently applying to students, its policies and procedures for processing student allegations of harassment, and **defining, publishing, making readily available and consistently applying to students, its policies and procedures for refunds of tuition and fees**
- **A3.12** The program must define, publish and make readily available to enrolled and prospective students general program information to include:
 - f) estimates of all costs (tuition, fees, etc.) related to the program,