

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and required fees shown in the related table were in effect for the 2001-02 academic year. All fees are subject to change without notice. Payment instructions are printed in the "Registration Schedule" each semester.

In addition to the estimates shown, students should also plan for books and personal expenses. Individual habits and needs vary, but about \$2,600 may be anticipated.

Students must contact the Office of the Registrar to confirm their resident status for tuition reciprocity rates. Returning students who have previously filed for tuition reciprocity but have not been enrolled for the preceding year or more need to re-file.

In addition to the required fees listed, the following fees are assessed when and as they apply:

Application Fee \$35
The application fee is non-refundable and must accompany the admission application.

Matriculation Fee \$45
The matriculation fee is a non-refundable fee for all new students to provide orientation programs, tutoring, and retention-related activities.

Student Fees

The following student fees have been approved by the student body and are mandatory fees charged each term. The maximum charge for 12 or more credits is \$259.

Activity fee	\$8.00/credit hour
Career services	\$1.08/credit hour
Health/wellness	\$6.67/credit hour
Technology fee	\$4.58/credit hour
Union bond	\$1.25/credit hour

Other Fees

Additional fees are applied to special services. Most common are the following:

Course Audit

The course audit (not for credit) fee is 50% of the regular credit tuition charge.

Course Challenge

Course challenge fee is 50% of the regular credit tuition charge. The fee is paid after approval of the petition to challenge, but before the special examination is administered.

Diploma Replacement

 \$24

A replacement service is provided by the Office of the Registrar for those who have lost or damaged their diploma.

Laboratory/Special Instructional Fees

Unique services and supplies related to special instructional and laboratory courses incur additional fees. Where applicable, these fees are listed in the "Registration Schedule" each term.

Parking Permits

All NDSU employees and students are assessed fees to park in University lots. For further information contact the Campus Police (701-231-8998).

Photo ID

 \$10

All students must have an NDSU photo identification card. Replacement of lost cards is also \$10.

Student Housing Deposit (Family):

 \$100

The family student housing deposit is refundable, less breakage or damage, upon official withdrawal from the University.

Student Housing Deposit (Single):

 \$50

Residence hall and single student apartment deposits are refundable, less breakage or damage, upon withdrawal from the University.

Special Examinations

 As required

NDSU serves as a national testing center. Fees vary for different placement and proficiency testing programs. For specific fee information contact the Center for Student Counseling and Personal Growth (701-231-7671).

Student Health Service Fees

Payment of student registration fees entitles a student to the basic services of the Student Health Service. Additional fees are charged for medications, certain studies, and additional services according to rates maintained and available at the clinic.

Refund of Tuition and Required Fees

Refund calculations for withdrawal or course drops are in accordance with the North Dakota Board of Higher Education policy 830.2. A copy of the University policy is available in the Financial Aid Office.

Withdrawals

Tuition and fees will be refunded at 100 percent for students who withdraw on or before the end of the seventh instructional class day of a regular term. Nonregular terms will provide for a proportionate refund schedule based on the length of the term. Students who withdraw after the end of the seventh instructional day or proportionate period of a term will have tuition and fee refunds calculated based upon a declining

percentage extending through the 60 percent point of the term. Specific dates and refund percentages are published in the "Registration Schedule" each term.

Course Drops

Refunds, where applicable, will be made at 100% for course drops during the first seven instructional class days of a regular term. Nonregular terms will provide for a proportionate refund schedule based on the length of the term. After the seventh day or proportionate period of a term there are no refunds for students who drop a class or classes and continue to be enrolled.

Residency and Tuition Reciprocity

The North Dakota Century Code, Section 15-10-19.1, governs determination of residency for tuition purposes.

Resident Guidelines

A North Dakota resident student, for tuition purposes, is defined as follows:

1. A person whose guardian, custodial parent, or parents are legal residents of this state and have resided in this state for 12 months, or a dependent child whose custodial parent moved into the state with the intent to establish legal residency for a period of years within the last 12 months immediately prior to the beginning of the academic term;
2. A person of age 18 or older who is a legal resident of this state and has resided in this state after reaching 18 for 12 months immediately prior to the beginning of the academic term;
3. A person who graduated from a North Dakota high school;
4. A full-time active duty member of the armed forces assigned to a military installation in this state;
5. A spouse or dependent of a full-time active duty member of the armed forces assigned to a military installation in this state or of an employee of any institution of higher education in this state, and a spouse of any other resident for tuition purposes; and
6. A person who was a legal resident of this state for at least three consecutive years within six years of the beginning of the academic term.

NOTE: "Dependent" means only a person claimed as a dependent on the most recent federal tax return.

Minnesota Tuition Reciprocity

Effective September 1975, the states of Minnesota and North Dakota enacted a tuition reciprocity agreement. This means that legal residents of the State of Minnesota may qualify for reduced tuition at North Dakota State University.

Minnesota residents who enroll at NDSU within 12 months of their graduation from a high school in Minnesota do not have to fill out the standard paper application. All other Minnesota residents should apply for reciprocity at the following Web address: www.mneso.state.mn.us or request an application from the following address:

Higher Education Coordinating Board
400 Capitol Square Building
550 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55101-2292
1-800-657-3866

Once reciprocity has been granted by the State of Minnesota, the student will receive a letter to that effect, which the student should copy and submit to the NDSU Office of the Registrar. The Registrar will also be notified of this award, and the Minnesota resident's tuition at NDSU will be reduced accordingly.

Residency issues must be resolved by the last day of classes of the first session the student attends. **Refunds will not be processed retroactively.**

Note: Returning students who have previously filed for tuition reciprocity but have not enrolled in a course or earned credit at NDSU during the past year will need to re-file.

Program Fees

Fees for specific programs, which have been approved by the North Dakota Board of Higher Education, include the following. (Total credit hours include transfer credits.)

Program	When the Fee Will Be Assessed	Amount of Fee
Architecture & Landscape Architecture	Full-time students who have been accepted into the second-year design studio	\$150/semester
	Part-time students who have been accepted into the second-year design studio	\$ 10/credit hr
Engineering	Full-time students who have completed fewer than 60 total credit hours	\$ 25/semester
	Full-time students who have completed 60 or more total credit hours	\$150/semester
	Part-time students	\$12.50/credit hr
Food & Nutrition	Full-time and part-time students who have completed 60 or more total credit hours in the Coordinated Undergraduate Program in Dietetics (CPD)	\$250/semester
Interior Design	Full-time students who have passed their sophomore review	\$150/semester
	Part-time students who have passed their sophomore review	\$ 10/credit hr
Nursing	All who have been formally accepted into the professional program after completion of the pre-nursing curriculum	\$150/semester
Pharmacy	All who have been formally accepted into the professional Pharm.D. program	\$500/semester

Approximate Undergraduate Costs to Attend NDSU, 2001-2002

Expenditures	ND resident	MN resident	Contiguous states WICHE/WUE/MHEC NDUS Alumni ¹	Other non-residents
	per semester/ per year	per semester/ per year	per semester/ per year	per semester/ per year
Tuition (12 or more credits per semester) ²	\$1,377/ \$2,754	\$1,537/ \$3,074	\$2,066/ \$4,132	\$3,677/ \$7,353
Student fees ²	\$259/\$518	\$259/\$518	\$259/\$518	\$259/\$518
Room and board ³	\$1,866/ \$3,732	\$1,866/ \$3,732	\$1,866/ \$3,732	\$1,866/ \$3,732
Books and supplies	\$325/\$650	\$325/\$650	\$325/\$650	\$325/\$650
Total semester	\$3,827	\$3,987	\$4,516	\$6,127
Total year	\$7,655	\$7,974	\$9,032	\$12,253

¹Contiguous provinces: Manitoba, Saskatchewan. WICHE/WUE States: Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming. Also Arizona, California, and Washington for students who enter on or after Fall 1998. N.D. MHEC States: Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska. University System alumni include dependents and spouse as of Fall 1999.

²Students carrying fewer than 12 credits per semester will pay their tuition and required fees on a prorated basis.

³Average cost per semester based on double room and 20-meal plan. A student taking the 15-meal plan and staying in a double room would pay \$1,804 average cost per semester and \$3,608 per year.

Residence Life

NDSU student living facilities and dining services are designed to extend the student's educational experience beyond the classroom.

Residence Halls

The residence halls are an integral part of the college experience. In this environment students have opportunities to enhance their academic, social, and personal growth. Also, students who live on campus have been found to be more likely to persist in their education and earn higher grade-point averages than their off-campus peers.

Residence hall programs. Through the leadership of full-time residence hall directors and resident assistants, students are encouraged to get involved and enjoy a variety of educational, cultural, social, and recreational activities. Programs specifically designed to supplement classroom work include Faculty in Residence and SuperTutor.

Accommodations. NDSU has 12 residence halls that accommodate a total of 2,725 students. A smoke-free environment is provided in all residence halls where smoking is prohibited in all parts of each building.

Licenses. Only enrolled NDSU students may live in the residence halls. Licenses for residence hall accommodations are for the academic year. Special consideration will be given to the needs of students with a physical or health condition. Assignment priority is established according to the date the application and deposit are received.

New student policy. All students under 19 years of age on the first day of classes of fall or spring semesters are required to live on campus. Exceptions may be granted for students who will be living with their immediate family or relatives. Requests for this exception should be submitted two weeks prior to the start of the semester to Department of Residence Life (Auxiliary Enterprises Building, PO Box 5481, Fargo, ND 58105) and should include a letter from the student's parent or guardian indicating the student's intended off-campus address and with whom the student will be residing.

Exceptions also may be granted for second semester students wishing to live in a fraternity or sorority house, according to guidelines available in the Department of Residence Life or the Student Activities Office.

Single Student Apartments

Single student apartments provide additional personal freedom, more privacy, fewer interruptions, and an opportunity to live in a community environment with common academic interests and goals. Sixty-four two-bedroom furnished apartments are designed to accommodate two to four students per apartment.

Students who have completed a minimum of 27 semester credit hours are eligible to apply. Assignment priority is established according to the date the application and deposit are received.

University Apartments

The advantages of living on campus in the University environment are available for eligible families. Family and graduate student housing is located on or near the University and is close to both private and public elementary schools. City parks, recreation areas, and shopping centers are conveniently located nearby. One- and two-bedroom apartments are available to accommodate 300 families at moderate rental costs. Assignment priority is established according to the date the application and deposit are received.

Housing Application

Students wishing to apply for campus housing should contact the Department of Residence Life. Assignment priority is established according to the date that the application and deposit are received. The demand for on-campus housing usually exceeds available space, so apply early. For current rates or more information contact the Department of Residence Life, North Dakota State University, P.O. Box 5481, Fargo, ND 58105-5481.

Dining Services

Dining rooms are warm and conducive to socializing. The staff is energetic and caring.

The staff's sincere intent is to make living and dining pleasant and to provide students with a variety of food products and services.

The dining facilities for the majority of students residing on campus are interconnected with adjacent residence halls, while students living near the center of the campus will find food facilities easily accessible within the Memorial Union.

The noon meal will be the last meal served prior to the beginning of all holidays or recess periods.

Sack lunches will be prepared for those students unable to eat during the scheduled serving hours. A validated meal card or cash is required upon entering dining areas offering board meal plans.

To make residence hall dining more desirable, minimum standards of dress are required. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times.

Room and Board Rates

Room rates average \$780 per semester for most double rooms. Meal plan rates for 2001-02 are listed.

Meal Plans for First Year, Upperclass, and Graduate Students

The 20-Meal Plan, \$1,159 per semester: Includes any 20 meals per week plus \$20 Bison Bucks per semester. This plan offers the best value as it has the lowest per meal price.

The 15-Meal Plan, \$1,097 per semester: Includes any 15 meals per week plus \$25 Bison Bucks per semester. This plan is designed for active students who may miss occasional meals due to extracurricular activities or employment off campus.

The 15-Meal Plan offers 15 of the 20 meals served during the week in the Residence Dining Center, West Dining Center, and Memorial Union contract dining rooms.

The 12-Meal Plan, \$1,058 per semester: Includes any 12 meals per week plus \$30 Bison Bucks per semester. This plan is designed to offer a dining option to students who are not on campus most weekends.

Choose any 12 of the 20 meals served during the week in the dining halls.

Note: The 20/15/12-Meal Plans are non-transferable.

Meal Plan for All Students Living Off Campus

The 10-Pack Meal Deal, \$49.50 for 10 meals: The 10-pack meal deal is great for flexibility. Meals are purchased in 10 meal increments (10, 20, 30). Older than average, graduate, sorority, fraternity members, or students living off campus preferring not to cook every meal at home will enjoy this convenience. This plan is available at all dining locations plus the noon luncheon prepared and served by the Quantity Foods Class, West Dining Center.

Features of the 10-Pack Meal Deal

Flexibility: Meals may be used anytime during the academic year of purchase and do not have to be used within a given meal period or week.
Guest Meals: Card holders may use any of their contract meals to cover the cost of a guest for a meal.

Special Notes: Unused meals are not refundable.

The 20/15/12-Meal Plans include Bison Bucks that may be used to purchase extra foods such as snacks, ice cream, pizza, or convenience items.

Financial Aid

Students attending NDSU for the first time must apply for admission to be considered for financial aid. If a request for aid is noted on the admission application form, financial aid information and application forms will be sent to the applicant. Returning and transfer students should contact the Financial Aid Office directly for forms and information.

All aid applicants will be expected to complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA). To be considered for the maximum number of financial aid sources, the FAFSA must be processed by the FAFSA processing agency on or before April 15. To insure meeting this deadline, the completed FAFSA should be mailed by March 15.

Official financial aid award notices are mailed to students the first week of June.

Federal Pell Grants

All students who have not yet earned a baccalaureate degree are eligible to apply for grant assistance under this program. Grant amounts ranging from \$400 to \$4,000 per year are awarded to students with exceptional need for assistance.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants

These federal grants are awarded to undergraduate students with exceptional need for assistance (Pell Grant recipients must be given priority in the awarding of Supplemental Grants). Amounts range from \$300 to \$1,300 per year.

State Grants

North Dakota residents may be considered for a \$600 State Grant by completing the FAFSA. Eligibility is based upon need for assistance. Early submission of the FAFSA will insure priority consideration for the grant.

Loans

The university participates in the federal Perkins and Stafford Student Loan Programs. The Minnesota Student Educational Loan Fund (SELF) and Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) programs are available to qualified applicants. There are several other loan options available through various lenders.

Rates of interest are below those charged commercially, and borrowers may have up to 10 years after leaving school to repay these loans depending upon the total amount borrowed.

The Financial Aid Office also offers short-term emergency loans of nominal amounts to qualified enrolled students.

Withdrawals To Zero Credits

Prior to the start of a semester you can cancel your registration by contacting the Office of Registration and Records, 110 Ceres Hall. Upon cancellation of your registration all financial aid funds are forfeited. Withdrawals to zero credits on or after the start of a semester are processed in the Business Office, 101 Old Main. Institutional refunds are calculated based upon a declining percentage extending through the 60 percent point of the term. Specific dates and refund percentages are published in the "Registration Schedule" each term. A recipient of Title IV grant or loan funds who withdraws prior to the 60 percent point of the term and has attended at least one class must have their aid eligibility recalculated to determine the amount of aid earned. The recalculation is based on the number of days in the term and the number of days completed by the student.

A student who does not officially withdraw to zero credits but ceases attendance in all classes prior to the 60 percent point of the term, is considered to be an unofficial withdrawal. No refund of institutional charges is made on an unofficial withdrawal; however, a recalculation of Title IV aid earned is required. The student's date of withdrawal will be the last documented date of attendance or the 60 percent point of the term, whichever is later.

When the withdrawal date is determined, whether on an official or unofficial withdrawal, a Return of Title IV Funds Worksheet will be processed to calculate the institutional refund as well as the unearned Title IV financial aid funds. If aid has already been disbursed to the student, the unearned Title IV funds will be returned using the student's institutional refund of institutional charges. If the amount of the institutional refund is not enough to reimburse all of the unearned Title IV funds, the student is responsible for paying the balance. If aid has not been disbursed to the student, as long as the amount of earned aid (post-withdrawal disbursement) will be offered to the student, as long as the student is eligible for Federal Title IV assistance. A copy of the Return of Title IV Funds Worksheet will be given to the student at the time of withdrawal. In the event of an unofficial withdrawal, a certified letter will be sent to the student which includes the Return of Title IV Funds Worksheet.

A complete copy of the policy and procedures for withdrawals to zero credits is available upon request in the NDSU Financial Aid Office, 202 Ceres Hall.

Academic Standards for Federal Financial Aid Eligibility

Students must meet standards of satisfactory progress to maintain their eligibility for Title IV financial assistance each year. These standards differ somewhat from the minimum standards set by the University. Changes in registration, such as dropping courses or withdrawing from all courses, may affect financial aid eligibility of applicants and recipients. For details or to obtain a copy of the "Standards of Satisfactory Progress for Financial Aid Eligibility," contact the NDSU Financial Aid Office.

Employment

The federal Work-Study program provides jobs both on and off campus during the school year and summer for enrolled students with need for assistance.

A full-time employee of the North Dakota Job Service is available in the Office of Career Services to assist students seeking part-time jobs on campus and in the community. These job placements are not based upon need.

Scholarships

High school seniors with superior academic credentials are encouraged to contact the NDSU Office of Admission for scholarship information and application forms. Returning and upperclass students should contact their college or department regarding scholarship availability and application procedures. Students should also seek out scholarships offered through non-university sources.