

Fall 2020 Undergraduate Tuition Pricing Cap

Frequently Asked Questions

Effective Fall 2020:

Tuition and mandatory fees will cap at existing resident and non-resident tuition and fee rates for all undergraduate students:

- Resident, Full-Time \$ 6,242
- Non-Resident, Full-Time \$15,647

The above tuition and mandatory fee caps do not include the Distance Learning Fee or course and program fees. These fees will be assessed at the rates approved by the Board of Trustees.

- The Distance Learning Fee of \$10 per credit hour is assessed for any course with an online and/or off-campus delivery component. This includes fully online and hybrid courses as well as courses delivered via compressed video or at locations off the main UK campus. The fee supports the costs to design, develop and deliver the course, including the necessary technology, software and bandwidth.
- Other program and course fees vary by major. Some courses require additional fees for lab, materials, etc. For a complete list of program and course fees for Academic Year 2020-21, <https://www.uky.edu/registrar/sites/www.uky.edu/registrar/files/2020-21%20Program%20Course%20and%20Other%20Student%20Fees.pdf>.

Q: Why is this pricing change necessary?

A: In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this decision ensures all UK undergraduate students will pay no more than established full-time tuition and mandatory fees for Fall 2020, alleviating concern about the additional price of fully online courses. The university's focus is on plans for a return to a robust, residential campus experience for undergraduate students in August. Already, indications are that a majority of classes being planned by faculty for Fall 2020 will be focused on in-person, in-class instruction. At the same time, undergraduate students enrolled for Fall 2020 may build a course schedule with a mix of traditional, fully online or hybrid courses. That mix acknowledges the growing trend in higher education for more courses to utilize technology for instruction and in response to a virus, whose trajectory continues to change. With those facts, it was important to provide certainty to students and families around pricing for tuition and fees. With this policy, students will know that tuition and mandatory fees will cap at established full-time rates for both resident and non-resident students.

Q: What is considered full-time status?

A: Any undergraduate student enrolled in 12 or more credit hours (whether those courses are online or on-campus) in a semester will be considered a full-time student.

Q: How much will my tuition bill increase if I take an online course?

A: For Fall 2020, full-time resident students enrolled in on-campus courses and interested in taking a fully online course will not see an increase. The Undergraduate Online Learning Rate will still be assessed for each online credit hour taken. However, once a resident student’s course schedule totals \$6, 242, tuition and mandatory fees will cap, meaning resident students will pay no more in tuition and mandatory fees, regardless of course load or delivery.

For Fall 2020, full-time non-resident students enrolled in on-campus courses and interested in taking a fully online course will not be assessed more than \$15,647. The Undergraduate Online Learning Rate will still be assessed for each online credit hour taken. However, once a non-resident student’s course schedule totals \$15,647, tuition and mandatory fees will cap, meaning non-resident students will pay no more in tuition and mandatory fees, regardless of course load or delivery.

Examples

Example 1

Example: Resident undergraduate enrolled for a total of 15 credit hours with 3 online		
<u>Course Mix</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Preliminary Fall 2020 Assessment</u>
Traditional	12	\$5,567.50
Online	3	\$1,695.00
Mandatory Fees		\$674.50
Student Subtotal before Price Cap	15	<u>\$7,937.00</u>
Fall 2020 Total with Cap		\$6,242.00

Example 2

Example: Non-resident undergraduate enrolled for a total of 15 credit hours with 3 online		
<u>Course Mix</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Preliminary Fall 2020 Assessment</u>
Traditional	12	\$14,972.50
Online	3	\$1,695.00
Mandatory Fees		\$674.50
Student Subtotal before Price Cap	15	<u>\$17,342.00</u>
Fall 2020 Total with Cap		\$15,647.00

Q: Can my tuition and mandatory fees be less than established full-time rates?

A: Yes. Resident students enrolled for fewer than 12 credit hours will be assessed established part-time per credit hour rates for traditional or hybrid courses and the Online Learning Rate for any fully online courses taken. Non-resident students enrolled in a mix of traditional and fully online courses may result in tuition and mandatory fee assessments less than the non-resident cap amount of \$15,647.

Please contact your academic advisor or Student Account Services with any questions about tuition and mandatory fee charges for Fall 2020. For a full summary of tuition and mandatory fees for Academic Year 2020-21, please visit <https://www.uky.edu/registrar/20-21TuitionandFees>

Q: If all instruction moves to fully online or remote delivery at some point during the Fall 2020 semester, will tuition and fee refunds be offered?

A: No. The decision to assess no more than established full-time tuition and mandatory fees assures that no student will pay more than the lowest established tuition and fee rates available for Fall 2020 regardless of course load or course delivery.

Q: When will all course options be finalized for Fall 2020?

A: Fall 2020 course options were recently updated to reflect modality changes (how a course is taught). Any additional modality changes will be very limited. Room assignments will be completed by Friday, July 24.

Q: Can fully online students live in campus housing?

A: UK students must be enrolled full-time to be eligible to live in campus housing. For more information, please visit [Campus Housing](#).

Q: Can I take both traditional on-campus and online courses?

A: Yes. As has been the case for a number of years, students enrolled for Fall 2020 may build a course schedule with a mix of traditional, fully online or hybrid courses knowing that tuition and mandatory fees will cap at established full-time rates for both resident and non-resident students.

Q: Will Transition Grants still be available for undergraduate students enrolled in online courses?

A: No. Transitions grants will not be available in Fall 2020. Transition Grants were established in Academic Year 2019-20 to partially or fully offset any increased costs from the Undergraduate Online Learning Rate. However, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, all UK undergraduate students will pay no more than established full-time rates for Fall 2020, alleviating concern about the additional price of fully online courses.

Q: Who can I contact for questions regarding my tuition and mandatory fees?

A: Contact UK Student Account Services at studentaccts@sv.uky.edu or (859) 257-3406 for assistance.

Q: Do fully online students pay mandatory fees*?

A: Yes. For Fall 2020, all full-time undergraduate students will be assessed \$674.50 in mandatory fees. Part-time students (registered for less than 12 credit hours) will be assessed \$42 per credit hour for mandatory fees. *See tuition and mandatory fee assessment examples above.*

*Exceptions to the mandatory fee policy may be available for students enrolled in fully online degree programs or for students not enrolled in any on-campus courses and residing outside of the Bluegrass Area District.

http://ruraltransportation.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/KY_map.jpg

To learn more or request an exception to the mandatory fees policy, visit.....

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a2IRCCFDeihR4YI

Q: Can fully online students buy a campus parking permit?

A: Any student living in a campus residence hall may purchase a campus parking permit. For more details on parking permits and eligibility, please visit [UK Transportation Services](#).

Q: Are fully online students required to buy a campus dining plan?

A: Fully online students are not required to purchase a dining plan unless they are living in a campus residence hall. Fully online students **not** living in a campus residence hall are eligible to purchase a dining plan at their discretion. Please see details at: <https://uky.campusdish.com/MealPlans>.