TUITION AND FEES

Authority to set tuition rates is vested in the governing boards of Colorado’s state institutions of higher education. The tuition rates which apply to any succeeding fiscal year will not be known until June of each year. The Board of Governors of the CSU System, therefore, reserves the right to change tuition and fee schedules and related policies, including the time, date, and method for payment, at any time.

By registering for a course, a student acknowledges legal and financial responsibility for any and all tuition and fees assessed as a result of registration. Students must follow, and are financially responsible for, formal add/drop and withdrawal procedures at CSU. Non-attendance does not relieve a student of financial responsibility. A student whose account becomes delinquent will be held responsible for paying any late payment charges, collection agency fees up to 40% of the debt, and all costs and expenses including reasonable attorney fees that CSU incurs in its collection efforts. CSU will not register a student, release a diploma or proof of degree, or provide official transcripts to any current or former student who has past due financial obligations to CSU.

Undergraduate Tuition

Schedule of Tuition and Fees

The most current listing of tuition and fees, as well as a tuition calculator, can be found at the Registrar’s Office (http://registrar.colostate.edu/student-resources/tuition-fees) website.

In addition to the charges listed under each category, students may be required to pay differential tuition, program charges, charges for technology, and/or special course fees. Tuition and fees for a student registering for a combination of regular on-campus courses or Division of Continuing Education (CSU Online) courses will be assessed individually according to the schedule established for each.

Students who are off campus for full time internships, practica, and professional affiliations, and are not concurrently enrolled in other on-campus experiences or courses, will be assessed a reduced general fee amount.

College Opportunity Fund (COF)

Undergraduate Colorado resident students are eligible to receive a College Opportunity Fund (http://sfs.colostate.edu/cof) (COF) stipend from the State of Colorado to apply toward tuition costs. To receive the COF stipend, students must apply for the stipend (https://cof.college-assist.org) AND authorize CSU to receive the funds EACH semester via RAMweb.

Differential Tuition

To ensure students have an opportunity to fully explore their academic options and the range of programs offered at CSU, the University does not charge the full cost of tuition until students have acquired 60 credit hours (30 credits if in the College of Business). After that point, at which most students have settled on a major, students begin to pay differential tuition in addition to the base tuition paid up to that point. Differential tuition is assessed to undergraduate resident, non-resident, and WUE students. Credits that students bring upon entering the University may cause them to reach the 60 credit hours earlier than their peers. Almost all of the differential tuition students pay returns directly to the academic colleges and departments to enhance the quality of a CSU education. Each CSU college’s rates are based on three factors:

- High cost—i.e., how expensive the program is to provide
- High demand—i.e., whether the program is in high demand by large numbers of students
- High return—i.e., how much students generally earn when they graduate from that specific program

Differential tuition is assessed by the course subject code at a rate of $51/$68/$91 per credit hour, depending on the course. Differential tuition is not assessed by a student’s major. For more detail on differential tuition cost per credit, go to the Registrar’s Office website and select Undergraduate Differential Tuition (http://registrar.colostate.edu/student-resources/tuition-fees).

Students are assessed differential tuition upon reaching 30 transcripted credits (sophomore level) for College of Business courses. Students are assessed differential tuition upon reaching 60 transcripted credits (junior level) for all other courses offered at CSU.

Differential tuition is also assessed for specific academic programs (https://webcms.colostate.edu/registrar/media/sites/29/2015/01/Graduate-Program-Charges.pdf) that cost more to offer.

Graduate Tuition

Graduate tuition and fees (http://registrar.colostate.edu/student-resources/tuition-fees) are updated annually. Information about financial support for graduate students is available in the Graduate and Professional Bulletin.

International

The International Student and Scholar Services (http://iss.s.colostate.edu) administrative charge is $90 the first semester and $45 for each subsequent semester. Fees are subject to change. Sponsors of international students, such as foreign governments, are assessed a charge of $375 per term.

Personal and Living Expenses

Students from other countries should anticipate expenses considerably higher than those quoted for domestic students. Additional considerations include costs of deposits for off-campus housing, transportation, international travel, clothing (particularly winter clothing for those coming from warmer climates), living expenses during vacation periods and during the summer months for those who choose to remain on campus, the cost of keeping an automobile and insuring it, child care, shipping books and other belongings home, taxes owed on U.S. source income, and items of personal use which cannot be brought in a suitcase and which must be purchased in the United States after arrival. An annual inflation rate of 3% should be anticipated in all calculations. Refer to the Office of International Programs (http://international.colostate.edu) for an up-to-date list of estimated expenses.

Medical Insurance

All non-immigrant students and accompanying dependents are required to enroll in the Student Health Service insurance program (http://health.colostate.edu/student-health-insurance/international-student-health-insurance) (or to show proof of equivalent or better protection).
Housing
All newly admitted first-year students without previous college experience, who are single, under 21 years of age, and not living with their parents in the Fort Collins area, are required to live their first two consecutive semesters in a residence hall. Credits taken concurrent with high school and/or credits attained through Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) do not apply toward living experience. First year students are guaranteed a room in a residence hall on campus (http://www.housing.colostate.edu/residence-halls). The residence halls house 20% non-first year students including transfer students and upper-class students. Students with families, graduate students, and upper class undergraduate students can find information on university apartments (http://www.housing.colostate.edu/university-apartments). Off-campus housing information can be found at Off-Campus Life (http://ocl.colostate.edu).

Third-Party Billing
All agencies and other entities sponsoring international students, which utilize third party billing privileges, will be assessed a $375 base service fee per student per academic term. This fee applies to all international students who receive services regardless of whether the student is registered for credit-bearing classes. For a copy of the Service Schedule and/or a detailed list of estimated expenses, send a request to: ISSS Assistant Director, Sponsored Degree Programs, Office of International

FEES

Special Fees*  
Nonrefundable Fees*  
Admission application fee  
New and transfer students $50.00  
Guest students $60.00  
Application fee for admission to professional program in Veterinary Medicine $60.00  
Enrollment Deposit and Admission Confirmation (new and transfer students) $300.00  
Composition Directed Self-Placement Survey $12.00  
Mathematics Placement Examination $15.00  
Credit Established by Challenge Examination per credit attempted $20.00  
Language Placement Examination (one-time charge; no charge for retakes) $10.00  
Charge for technology, per term (college-wide)  
Agricultural Sciences $86.15  
Business $103.00  
Engineering $170.00  
Health and Human Sciences $71.00  
Intra-University $35.50  
Liberal Arts $57.30  
Natural Resources $94.50  
Natural Sciences $94.50  
Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences $90.00  
Transcript fee per copy $11.00

Paper Transcript, first class mail (when ordered through RAMweb or RAMrecords) $13.00  
Paper Transcript, student pick-up next day $15.00  
Paper Transcript, student pick-up same day or mailed next day in Registrar’s Office $20.00  
University Facility Fee (per credit hour) $20.75  
University Technology Fee $25.00

* Fees are subject to change.  
1 For full-time resident and nonresident undergraduates and graduates. Graduate students in the Colleges of Natural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences are not assessed a charge. Undergraduate students enrolled for nine or more credits and graduate students enrolled for six or more credits are considered full time and required to pay the full amount according to their college affiliation. Part-time undergraduate and graduate students pay a prorated amount.  
2 The College of Health and Human Sciences is the only college that applies their charge during the summer session.

Special Course Fees
Certain courses require enrolled students to pay fees for special services and/or materials. Courses with fees are indicated by a Yes in the Special Course Fee line in Courses A-Z. Special course fees are updated in June for the upcoming academic year. For the most current listing of special course fees, visit the Provost and Executive Vice President’s web page (http://provost.colostate.edu/students) and select Complete List of Special Course Fees.

There are four types of special course fees:

1. For some courses, enrolled students are assessed a uniform fee during registration to cover costs such as the rental of external facilities, the expenses of field placements, the provision of special equipment and materials that the University would not otherwise maintain, and/or the costs of off-campus travel of students with supervising faculty members.

2. For some courses, enrolled students are assessed a fixed or variable fee by the department based upon actual use of expended materials supplied by the department and used by the student in the creation, construction, and/or fabrication of an object of value, such as a class project that becomes the student’s property. These fees are designed for situations in which it is more efficient for the departments to supply the expendable materials because of the inability to make individual purchases economically.

3. For some courses, enrolled students are assessed variable fees by the department based upon actual damage or non-return of equipment used in the courses.

4. For some courses, enrolled students are assessed a fixed fee to provide funds for replacement or upgrade of equipment that was purchased originally through department funds and cannot be maintained appropriately without this type of student fee support.

All special course fees will be assessed and collected through normal student accounts receivable procedures. No fees should be paid directly to academic departments or individuals.