

FINANCIAL AID

M A R Y M O U N T U N I V E R S I T Y

Graduate Students



Financing Your Graduate Degree

Marymount University offers you many graduate study opportunities. Perhaps just as important, Marymount understands that your graduate education is a critical investment in your future and works to ensure that financing is available to assist you in reaching your educational goals. This publication outlines how to take advantage of the various options that may be available to you. For further information, don't hesitate to contact Financial Aid, Graduate Enrollment Services, or other offices noted in the publication.

2019-2020 GRADUATE TUITION FEES

- \$1,050 per credit hour (full- and part-time students)
- Physical Therapy program: \$39,600 per year for those entering in fall 2019, for a total of \$118,800 for the three-year program. This includes all PT courses, lab fees, and summer courses.
- Master of Education programs: \$770 per credit hour
- School of Business and Technology programs: \$1,060 per credit hour

2019-2020 GRADUATE STUDENT FEES

- Technology Fee: \$22 per credit hour, up to a maximum of \$275 per semester
- New Student Fee: One-time \$270 fee to cover a student ID card, new-student programs, standard transcript requests, graduation fees (except late petition fees), and continuous and late registration fees
- Course Fees: See the Graduate Catalog
- Room and Board Fees: Contact the Office of Campus and Residential Services at (703) 284-1608

Student Health Insurance:

Please refer to the Student Account Website for 2019-2020 rates.

www.marymount.edu/Admissions/StudentAccounts/Student-Health-Insurance

(Student Health Insurance can be waived at studentcenter.uhcsr.com/marymountu)



TUITION & FEE DATES

Spring 2020 - January 2, 2020

Summer

Fall

Payments may be mailed to: **Marymount University**
Student Accounts Office
2807 North Glebe Road
Arlington, VA 22207

About the Billing Statement

Your statement is based on the information in our system as of the date the statement is generated. This information is subject to change as you add and drop classes. Students can access their statements and pay their tuition through our new Online Billing site. Paper bills are not mailed. All student account statements can be found online.

Payment Plans

A payment plan is available to qualifying students. All arrangements, including the initial payment, must be completed at least one week prior to the payment due date. Students may set up payment plans by the semester only. Payment plans are made as follows:

- For the fall semester, payments may begin as early as August 1 and must be paid in full by December 1.
- For the spring semester, payments may begin as early as January 1 and must be paid in full by May 1.
- For the summer semester, payments may begin as early as May 15 and must be paid in full by July 15. Please contact the Student Accounts Office at (703) 284-1490 for additional information.

All or part of each semester's costs may be budgeted with no interest rate assessed. A nonrefundable enrollment fee of \$35 is required to apply for the payment plan.

Third Party Billing

Students who have a third-party sponsor must provide the Student Accounts Office with billing authorization, financial guarantee, or other forms. For more information, contact the third party representative in Student Accounts.

Grants and Scholarships

2018-19 Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant (VTAG)

This grant is for Virginia residents who are full-time students pursuing their first graduate degree in the field of health professions. Eligible programs include Health Care Management, Health Education and Promotion, Nursing, Physical Therapy and

Counseling programs with specialization in either Clinical Mental Health, School Counseling or Pastoral Counseling. The VTAG is a non-need-based grant and there is no requirement for repayment. If you meet the criteria for state residency, you may receive assistance for a total of four semesters. Awards are for the fall and spring semesters only.

The amount of the grant varies each academic year depending on state funding. Apply by submitting a VTAG application, available on the Financial Aid Office website. The deadline is July 31 of each year.

Scholarships

Scholarships are generally awarded on the basis of a specific type of accomplishment, such as academic performance, leadership, or choice of academic program. Scholarships do not need to be repaid. Graduate scholarships available for 2019-20 are as follows:

ASID Foundation Legacy Scholarship

This American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) scholarship is open to students pursuing a degree in the Interior Design program. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic/creative accomplishment as demonstrated by school transcripts; a letter of recommendation; and a 400- to 600-word essay explaining the student's inspiration to pursue a professional career in interior design, professional goals, or a special area of interest. Visit asidfoundation.org

Celebrate Cherie Scholarship

Open to legal residents of Northern Virginia (Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties) who are starting their first year in a Doctor of Physical Therapy Program. The award is a one-time distribution of \$5,000, paid directly to the winner's accredited university. The application deadline each year is June 1.

Diotima Scholarship

The Diotima Scholarship is named in honor of Diotima of Mantinea, an ancient Greek seer in Plato's Symposium. This annual scholarship provides a \$2,400 award to a graduate student in the Literature, Language, and the Humanities master's program who has completed at least 9 credits, maintains a 3.5 GPA, and demonstrates financial need. The applicant must submit a one-page essay describing the role of the humanities in his/her life. Contact Marguerite Rippey

Donald Lavanty Scholarship

The Health Care Management Program offers the Donald Lavanty Scholarship to two students annually. The criteria for the scholarship are as follows:

- A. Prospective Student Scholarship
 - 1. Applicants shall be full-time student status seeking the MSc Health Care Management Program, Dual-degree with Health Care Management;
 - 2. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA from a previous university.
- B. Returning Student Scholarship
 - 1. Applicants shall be full time student status seeking the MSc Health Care Management or Dual-degree with Health Care Management;
 - 2. Completed a minimum of two full semesters by the term of award;
 - 3. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above.

To be considered for this scholarship, the candidate needs to write a one-to-two pages statement of why they are an ideal candidate to receive this scholarship. The scholarship award will be \$500.

Submit essay to

For additional information, contact Dr. Uma Kelekar at ukelekar@marymount.edu

Virginia Nursing Scholarship

The scholarship program is open to full-or parttime students enrolled in a graduate nursing program in Virginia. Priority will be given to master's degree candidates who will teach in community colleges. Scholarship recipients must complete their degree requirements within two years and teach at a Virginia school of nursing as a condition of accepting the scholarship. Students chosen for the highly competitive scholarship will receive \$20,000 per year, for up to two years, while completing their graduate coursework. Applicants should review the criteria outlined at www.vdh.virginia.gov/health-equity/forms-and-applications.

The Healthline and NAMI Stronger Scholarship

Four applicants will be granted a \$5,000 scholarship each to pursue their efforts in the advancement of the mental health profession, through research, raising awareness, community building, or combatting stigma.

Central Scholarship

Central Scholarship is a non-profit organization that awards scholarships and interest-free loans to Maryland residents pursuing higher education.



Loans

Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan

Eligible degree-seeking students taking a minimum of six credits may borrow money through this educational loan program. You must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Eligibility is based on factors such as cost of attendance, level of enrollment, satisfactory academic progress, and prior borrowing. The maximum amount of eligibility for graduate students is \$20,500 per academic year. Repayment begins six months after graduation or upon termination of studies on at least a half-time basis. The interest rate is variable annually and is capped at 8.25 percent. Interest on this loan accrues while you are in school.

Employment

Graduate Assistantships

Full-time and part-time graduate assistantship positions are available for graduate students at Marymount University. A full-time graduate assistantship requires 20 hours of work per week in exchange for a waiver of tuition for 9 credits per semester. Part-time assistantships may be either a 1/3 assistantship which requires 7 hours of work each week in exchange for a waiver of 3 credit hours of tuition, or a 2/3 assistantship which requires 14 hours of work each week in exchange for a waiver of 6 credits. Those enrolled full-time are given preference for all assistantships. Students on 'flat-rate' tuition receive a waiver of 1/3, 2/3, or full tuition for a 1/3, 2/3 or full assistantship, respectively. The graduate assistant program is designed to meet several purposes. The student receives financial support for his or her graduate studies. In addition, the student benefits through a valuable professional experience that supplements and supports his or her program of study. The university also benefits as it gains the services of a talented beginning professional and offers a means for attracting and retaining highly-talented students in its graduate programs.

Current openings and procedures to apply for graduate assistantships are listed on marymount.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/Careers from the Office of Human Resources.

Other Aid

Veterans Benefits

Students eligible for educational benefits from the Veterans

Administration (VA), including veterans, current service members, reservists, and some dependents, must file for benefits through the Office of Military and Veterans Student Services. These benefits include educational assistance allowances. For additional information or to utilize VA educational benefits, contact the coordinator for Military and Veteran Student Services, Gerard Hall, Room 1017, (703) 284-1521.

Yellow Ribbon Program

Marymount provides up to 75 grants of \$2,000 each per year to eligible military veterans pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees, applicable to tuition and fees, on a first-come, first-served basis by the date the certificate of eligibility received by Marymount is official. The Veterans Administration (VA) will match this amount, so that veterans receive a total of \$4,000 a year to attend Marymount through the Yellow Ribbon Program. This program is in addition to the other benefits included in the Post-9/11 GI Bill. In addition, allowances are available for housing, books, and supplies. Recipients will be eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program grant each year that they are enrolled in their academic program and are achieving satisfactory progress toward their degree. Veterans are eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program if they have served at least 36 months of active duty since September 10, 2001, or were honorably discharged from active duty for a service-related disability and served 30 continuous days after September 10, 2001. In addition, dependents of veterans are eligible if they qualify for Transfer of Entitlement under the Post-9/11 GI Bill based on the veteran's service under these eligibility criteria.

Catholic School Employees

Employees of Catholic Schools specified by Marymount University are eligible for a 50% tuition waiver for undergraduate and graduate programs in education and the graduate school counseling program (waiver does not apply to reduced-tuition programs) under the following conditions:

- The individual must be employed on a fulltime basis in a position in teaching, senior administration, and/or school counseling.
- The individual must be employed by a diocesan school in the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia, or the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. To learn about other Catholic schools specified for eligibility under the program, contact Marymount's School of Sciences, Mathematics, and Education.

- Requests for additional courses and/or programs covered under this waiver after the first degree is obtained will be considered on an individual basis.
 - Verification from the employee's school, written by the principal on school letterhead, attesting to the eligibility for a waiver must be provided at the beginning of the program and each year thereafter at the beginning of the fall semester. This verification must be sent to Marymount's Office of Student Accounts.
3. In two to three weeks you will receive a federal Student Aid Report (SAR). If this report indicates that you have been selected for a process called verification, you must then submit signed copies of your most current Federal Tax Return.
 4. If you are an eligible Virginia resident planning to enroll in a graduate health professions program on a full-time basis, submit the VTAG Application by July 31. (Applications are available on the Financial Aid Office website.)

Senior Citizen Waiver

Marymount offers persons ages 65 or older a tuition waiver of 50% for graduate courses. Applicants must first meet all regular admission criteria for the program

Additional Resources

Additional funding and financial support may be available through a variety of private foundations, organizations, and professional groups. You are encouraged to review Internet sources, such as fastweb.com, to increase your aid options.

How to Apply for Financial Aid

The procedure to apply for financial assistance is not the same for every type of aid. Financial aid applications will be considered at any point during the school year. However, early application is recommended.

Students seeking financial aid through the Federal Stafford Loan program or any program that requires the filing of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should follow these steps:

1. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), available at fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA must be completed by both new and currently enrolled graduate students for each year they seek financial aid. The information is analyzed and a report sent to the university on the estimated contribution expected from the family for the self-supporting student. Because funding is limited in certain programs, the FAFSA must be received by Marymount by early January for each academic year in which financial assistance is sought.
2. On the FAFSA, indicate Marymount as an institution to receive a report. Also, fill in Marymount University's Title IV code number: **003724**.

Awards are offered when applications are complete and the student has been accepted for enrollment into a degree program.

Important Notes

International Students

To qualify for federal or state assistance, you must be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, permanent resident, or eligible noncitizen. International students who are not eligible for these forms of aid may wish to pursue assistantships and payment plans to finance their graduate studies. Additional funding documents are required for students needing to obtain a form I-20 for an F1 visa.

Applying for Financial Aid

You can apply for financial aid at the same time that you apply for admission to the university. No awards can be made until you have been accepted to Marymount.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

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marymount.edu/financialaid

GRADUATE ENROLLMENT SERVICES

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TEL (703) 284-5901 FAX (703) 527-3815
grad.admissions@marymount.edu

STUDENT ACCOUNTS

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