

# Tuition and Fees

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[fitnyc.edu/bursar](http://fitnyc.edu/bursar)

FIT is a college of the State University of New York. It receives state funding and support from the Department of Education of the City of New York. This assistance allows the college to offer the tuition rates noted below.

All matriculating students new to FIT, including visiting students and new matriculants to bachelor's degree programs, are required to confirm their acceptance with a nonrefundable advance tuition deposit of \$150 as soon as they are notified of admission.

The following schedules of fees are effective for the 2013-14 academic year:

## TUITION: FULL-TIME PROGRAM (FALL AND SPRING)

### Fee

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Associate-level New York City/State residents	\$2,212.50 per semester
Associate-level out-of-state residents	\$6,637.50 per semester
Baccalaureate-level New York City/State residents	\$3,034 per semester
Baccalaureate-level out-of-state residents	\$8,185 per semester

## TUITION: EVENING, WEEKEND, SUMMER, AND WINTER SESSIONS

### Fee

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Associate-level New York City/State residents	\$184 per credit*
Associate-level out-of-state residents	\$553 per credit*
Baccalaureate-level New York City/State residents	\$253 per credit*
Baccalaureate-level out-of-state residents	\$682 per credit*

\* Tuition is charged for noncredit-bearing courses. Laboratories, lectures, and workshops are billed at different rates. See Fees.

Tuition and fees are subject to change without prior notice at the discretion of the college's Board of Trustees. Current tuition and fees are available at [fitnyc.edu/bursar](http://fitnyc.edu/bursar).

Tuition paid by check or money order must be in the exact amount in U.S. dollars.

## RESIDENCY FOR TUITION PURPOSES

### U.S. Citizens and Permanent Resident Aliens

To qualify as a New York State resident, one must have established legal residence by maintaining a domicile in New York State for a period of at least one year preceding the first day of the semester.

A domicile is defined as a fixed permanent home to which one intends to return after being absent for a period of time. A person does not acquire a New York State domicile simply by being physically present in New York for a period of 12 months. A person retains a domicile until their present domicile is abandoned and another domicile is established.

In addition to the general domicile standards, students under the age of 22 and whose parents or legal guardians reside out of state must present evidence of financial independence from parents or legal guardians and an established New York State domicile in order to be designated as New York State residents for tuition purposes.

Applications for change of residency status are available at the Bursar's Office at 236 West 27th Street, Sixth Floor, and on the FIT website at [fitnyc.edu/bursar](http://fitnyc.edu/bursar). Completed applications with supporting documents must be submitted prior to the end of the registration period for the

semester for which the application is intended. Residents of any of the five boroughs of New York City must sign the residency affidavit printed on the registration form at the time of admission to the college. New York City residents who have met the New York State residency requirement by maintaining a domicile in New York State for a period of at least one year preceding the date of registration do not have to file a County Certificate of Residence. New York State residents who do not reside in any of the five boroughs of New York City must file a County Certificate of Residence (issued by the county in which the student resides) in order to be eligible for the in-state resident tuition rate. It is mandatory that the student present a new certificate at the beginning of each academic year. This certificate must be filed with the Bursar's Office at the beginning of the term for which the certificate is intended.

Students who enroll at the college in the fall semester are required to submit a new certificate the following fall. Students who enroll after the fall semester (winter, spring, or summer) must submit a certificate at the beginning of their first semester of attendance at FIT and a new certificate at the beginning of the following fall semester. Note that individual counties have deadline dates and may have different criteria for issuing the certificates. Notices are mailed each year to continuing FIT students who are enrolled as New York State residents reminding them of the deadline dates along with an application for the County Certificate of Residence and instructions for completing the form. However, regardless of whether the FIT notices are received, students are responsible for submitting the completed affidavits to their respective counties and the County Certificate of Residence to:

Fashion Institute of Technology  
Bursar's Office  
236 West 27 Street, Sixth Floor  
New York City 10001-5992

The County Certificate of Residence is issued by the student's County Administrative or Treasurer's Office, not by FIT. Applications and information pertaining to the location of county offices are available at the Bursar's Office [fitnyc.edu/bursar](http://fitnyc.edu/bursar) . Application forms are also available at the county offices. Students who fail to submit a valid County Certificate of Residence to the college by the deadline dates will be billed the equivalent of nonresident tuition. No exceptions will be made. New York State Law requires that students who reside in New York State, outside any of the five boroughs of New York City, must file a County Certificate of Residence certified by their home county to qualify for the in-state tuition rate.

New York State residents who are eligible for the in-state tuition rate but have moved from one county to another within New York State within the last six months must file for a County Certificate of Residence with both counties and submit both certificates to the Bursar's Office. Other residency requirements, county certificate applications, and additional information may be found at [fitnyc.edu/bursar](http://fitnyc.edu/bursar) .

### **Nonimmigrant Aliens**

Foreign students with F-1 Student Visas are not eligible for the New York State resident tuition rate.

Students with other types of visas may be eligible if they have been residents of New York State for one year prior to the date of registration (see above). Students must have possessed the qualifying visa for at least one year prior to the date of registration.

## FEES

### Fee

Application to baccalaureate level	\$25
Duplicate diploma	\$10
Graduation	\$30
Health insurance(1)	\$498.50 per semester
Health Services	\$150 per semester
ID card replacement	\$25 per occurrence
Laboratory(2)	\$10 per course
Late payment	1.5% per month on balance
Late registration	
Full-time	\$100 per occurrence
Part-time	\$50 per occurrence
Locker rental	\$10 per student/per semester
Monthly payment plan	\$25 per semester
Late payments	\$25 per occurrence (maximum of 2)
Part-time registration	\$5 per semester
Patternmaking course	\$25 per course
Placement test	\$25 per occurrence
Program change	\$25 per occurrence
Programs in Italy	
Student activities fee	\$750 per semester for all students
International program fee	\$1,250 per semester for all students
Recreation and athletics	\$30 per semester
Full-time	\$40 per semester
Part-time	\$3.50 per credit
Returned check	\$25 per occurrence
Student activity(4)	\$60 per semester
Full-time	\$60 per semester
Part-time	\$5 per credit
Technology	
Full-time	\$70 per semester
Part-time	\$35 per semester
SUNY Learning Network (online courses)	\$15 per online credit hour
Transcript	\$12

Books and supplies cost between \$600 and \$900 (depending on major) per semester.

- 1 This insurance must be purchased by all full-time students unless evidence of other coverage is submitted. The rate shown is for domestic students. For a more detailed explanation, see Health Services.
- 2 Fee is charged to each part-time student who registers for a course requiring life/fashion models and/or the use of certain specialized equipment/materials.
- 3 Fee is charged to part-time students and is nonrefundable.
- 4 Approved by FIT's Board of Trustees in accordance with Student Council regulations.

## TUITION PAYMENT DEADLINES

Nonmatriculated students are required to pay full tuition liability at the time of registration.

Tuition due dates are determined by the college in advance of each semester and may vary from one academic year to the next. Tuition due dates for the fall semester normally occur between mid-July and early August. Tuition due dates for the spring semester normally occur between late December and early January.

All students who register after the payment due date are required to make tuition payment immediately upon registration.

All students attending summer and winter sessions are required to pay full tuition liability at the time of registration.

Payment may be made via American Express, Discover, MasterCard, Visa, debit card, money order, or personal check. All payments must be made in U.S. dollars. Checks and money orders should be made payable to Fashion Institute of Technology and delivered in person or mailed to:

Fashion Institute of Technology  
Bursar's Office—Cashiering Operations  
227 West 27 Street, Room B127  
New York City 10001-5992

Student ID number must be indicated on your payment. Students may make payments in person at Cashiering Operations.

FIT no longer sends bills by mail. Students may view and pay their FIT bills online through a secure e-billing system. Go to the MyFIT portal at [myfit.fitnyc.edu](http://myfit.fitnyc.edu), click on "Student Tab," then click on "Pay Student Account & View E-Bill." Under "Account Activity," select the appropriate term for "View Transactions by Term," and then select "E-Bill Semester."

**Important:** Students who do not pay their own FIT bills must authorize a parent or other person to access their account. To do this, click on "Authorized Users" after you are logged in to the "Pay Student Account & View E-Bill" page.

Parents and other authorized users: After you have been designated an authorized user, you will receive an email providing you with access to the system.

## **NONPAYMENT OF DEBTS AND FINES**

Checks returned by a bank as unpaid for any reason will result in a returned check fee of \$25 charged to the student's account. The college reserves the right not to accept a personal check for payment under some conditions; for example, a history of prior returned checks or checks without preprinted name and address. FIT will refuse personal checks after two have been returned due to insufficient funds. Note that a stop-payment draft against a check is not considered an official withdrawal from the college and students will be charged a \$25 returned check fee in addition to the tuition liability.

Late payments are subject to a fee of 1.5 percent per month on all outstanding balances. Students who fail to pay bills or other college debts will be ineligible to register, graduate, or obtain transcripts or services from the college. Outstanding debts may be referred to a licensed collection agency and collection fees up to 33 1/3 percent may be added to the outstanding balance. If legal action becomes necessary, litigation and court costs will be the student's responsibility.

Students who have not satisfied their full financial obligations, exclusive of certified financial aid or tuition payment plans, by the scheduled due date may be subsequently de-registered and all previously assigned classes may be dropped. Late registration and program change fees may be assessed to students who are de-registered and wish to reenroll. Students are not guaranteed class availability if they need to re-register for courses.

## HOUSING

[fitnyc.edu/residentiallife](http://fitnyc.edu/residentiallife)

On-campus residences include traditional and apartment/suite-style accommodations. Traditional accommodations include a meal plan administered through food services on campus; for apartment/suite residents, the meal plan is optional (see Residential Life ).

Charges vary according to type of accommodation and building. All rates include a Resident Association fee and technology services fee. Rates are subject to change without prior notice at the discretion of the college's Board of Trustees.

Typical charges for resident students as of fall 2013 are:

- traditional accommodations: \$6,314–\$6,504 per person per semester;
- apartment/suite accommodations: \$5,911–\$9,846 per person per semester.

Meal plans (mandatory for traditional residence hall residents) range from \$1,643–\$2,105 per person per semester.

A \$300 annual fee plus a fee of \$25 per semester is required of all resident students for the Student Resident Association and technology services.