

TUITION, FEES, AND FINANCIAL AID

2023-2024 Tuition, Fees, and Deposits

Tuition:

MSAS Tuition	\$975 per credit
Graduate Certificate of Sustainability Practices	\$2,852 per course

Bryant University sends electronic bills in lieu of paper bills. When the E-Bill is ready for viewing, students will receive an email notification at their Bryant University email address. The email will provide the website to gain access to their student account and E-Bill. The Student Account Center offers the option to pay online with a check or credit card (AMEX, VISA, MC, Discover, Diner's Club, JCB, Union Pay, BC Card, and Dina Card), establish reoccurring payments, view current activity, view historical billing statements and much more.

Fees:

An application fee of \$80 must accompany the Graduate Program application. This fee pays for all matriculation expenses and is nonrefundable.

Deposit:

A non-refundable commitment deposit of \$250 is required once admitted to the program. The deposit is applied to the student's tuition bill. International students will not be issued an I-20 until the required commitment deposit is received.

Method of Payment

Payment is due by August 9, 2023 for the fall, January 9, 2024 for the spring, the first day of class for the winter and May 9, 2024 for the summer term.

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Students may pay online via the Student Account Center using a credit or debit card. There will be a 2.85% service fee associated with all credit card payments, with a minimum charge of \$3.00. Bryant University does not receive any portion of the service fee that is collected by TouchNet. The service fee is non-refundable even though the related payment to Bryant University may be refundable. When you choose the option on the web to pay with a credit card, you will be directed to TouchNet's secure network environment. You will be required to acknowledge the service fee charge prior to the payment being finalized.

A student also has the option to pay online with a WebCheck (ACH). There will be no fee associated with the Web Check payment option. A \$40.00 fee will be assessed to the student's account if a check or WebCheck payment is returned as uncollectable, and a \$3.00 fee will be

assessed for a WebCheck payment returned due to incorrectly entered account information.

Students also have the option to mail their payment. All checks and money orders should be made payable to Bryant University; envelopes should be addressed to:

Bryant University
Bursar's Office
1150 Douglas Pike
Smithfield, RI 02917-1284

Reimbursement of Graduate Tuition by Third Party

A graduate student enrolling in a course(s) must submit a written letter of authorization from the employer or scholarship foundation (third-party authorization) to the Bursar's Office prior to each registration period if that party plans to pay the tuition directly to Bryant University.

If the employer reimburses the student directly, the student must pay for his/her course by the term due dates.

In addition, if the third party does not pay the tuition (e.g., when a student does not earn the required grade), the student is responsible for the tuition for that term.

Late Payment Penalty

A late fee of \$150 will be assessed to the student's account with an outstanding balance of \$1,500 or more if payment is not made by the term due dates. A registration and transcript hold will also be placed on the account and students will not be allowed to register for the following term until their balance is resolved.

Further, in the event that a student does not pay his/her tuition fees and the University finds it necessary to send the unpaid fees to a collection agency for collection, the student will be responsible to pay any reasonable collection fees and/or legal fees associated with said collection of the amount owed to Bryant University.

Course Withdrawals and Refunds

When a student decides to drop or withdraw from one or more courses, there can be clear financial and academic implications to such a decision. Therefore, it is imperative that a student understands and carefully complies with the policies and procedures that follow.

Dropping a Course

A student may drop a course during the Add/Drop period, as posted on the University calendar, and thus the course will not appear on the student's transcript.

Withdrawing from a Course

A student may withdraw from a course after the Add/Drop period and up until the end of regularly scheduled classes, as designated by the university calendar, by making a written request to the Office of the Registrar.

When appropriate, it is advisable that prior to withdrawal a student confer with the professor of the course to confirm the soundness of the decision to withdraw; however, such a conference is not mandatory. Professors will be notified of a student's decision to withdraw when the Course Withdrawal Notice has been received.

Tuition Refunds

The complete refund schedule (for on campus programs) is as follows according to the date that written notice is received:

Regular Term (Fall/Spring):

Refund Policy	
Week/Day	Percentage
First Week:	80%
Second Week:	60%
Third Week:	40%
Fourth Week:	20%
After fourth week:	No refund

All tuition refunds and requests to drop a course or withdraw from a course must be made in writing and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The amount of tuition reimbursement is based on the date written notice is received, not when the class was last attended. Telephone calls do not constitute notice. Students can provide documentation by fax (401) 232-6065 or by e-mail to registrar@bryant.edu. Students are encouraged to confirm that the Office of the Registrar received the notification by calling (401) 232-6080.

Given the selective basis by which students are admitted to Bryant's various graduate programs, it is essential to understand that when a student accepts an enrollment in one of Bryant's programs, another applicant who otherwise may have been accepted, has potentially been denied a "seat" in the program. Hence, the rationale of Bryant's formal refund policy is based on costs that are incurred by the institution despite an individual student's decision, for whatever reason, to withdraw. Thus, when and how a student acts on a decision to withdraw from a course may have substantial financial implications as well as academic ones.

Withdrawal from the University

Students retain the right to withdraw from their program of study in which they are enrolled, and thus the university, based on the personal preferences and necessities of the individual. When a student makes a decision to formally withdraw from graduate study at Bryant, a student must submit a University Withdrawal online form to the Office of the Registrar. Such notice serves to notify the University of a student's intent not to register for future courses.

At such a time in the future as a student desires to resume graduate coursework at Bryant, a re-application and formal admission process is required; thus, it is recommended that a student apply for a leave of absence from graduate studies when in doubt as to the certainty of continued graduate studies at Bryant.

Merit Scholarships

All applicants will be automatically considered for a merit-based scholarship when applying to Bryant's Graduate School. Students who seek admission for fall term must apply by April 30th to be eligible for preferred consideration for a scholarship.

Work-Study Opportunities**Appointment Criteria**

Criteria: Although hiring priority for work-study opportunities is given to full-time undergraduate students, a limited number of graduate students may be considered in any given year at some point after the eligible undergraduate applicants are considered. Graduates must be enrolled on a full-time basis (at least 9 credits) and must be carrying at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA to be eligible for consideration. Part-time, auditing or certificate-only students are not eligible to participate in the work-study program. Student workers may work for no more than 20 hours while school is in session during the fall and spring and up to 40 during periods of non-enrollment (i.e. summer and winter, provided the student is not enrolled full-time). Members of the regular University staff are not eligible for student positions in the work-study program. Student positions held by graduate students generally carry specialized or advanced qualifications uncommon to students in undergraduate programs.

Full-time graduate students are also eligible to apply for work specific opportunities with an academic department, usually related to their area of interest or professional background. Some of these competitive positions support faculty and involve conducting academic research or preparing class materials.

Financing Options**William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program**

Graduate students enrolled in a degree program on at least a half-time basis (6 credits) may be eligible to borrow through the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program. Students must first complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the web site www.studentaid.gov. Upon receiving confirmation of eligibility from the financial aid office, student borrowers will need to complete on-line Entrance Counseling and a Master Promissory Note (MPN) on the federal web site www.studentaid.gov.

Federal Grad PLUS

In addition to the Federal Direct Loan Program, eligible graduate students may also borrow through the Federal Grad PLUS Program. This may be particularly useful to graduate students in need of additional funding beyond the Federal Direct Loan's annual maximum of \$20,500. The application, entrance counseling and Master Promissory Note must be completed at www.studentaid.gov.

Privately Funded Education Loans

A number of privately funded education loans are available to graduate students through non-profit lenders (generally one per state), as well as some of the larger for-profit lending firms. Further details are available in the Office of Financial Aid. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday during regular business hours.

Veterans Administration Educational Benefits

There are many education assistance programs available to eligible veterans and their dependents. Interested students are encouraged to contact Veterans Affairs at (800) 827-1000 or visit their website at <http://benefits.va.gov/gibill/>. Veterans or designated dependents who are 100% eligible for Chapter 33 post-9/11 benefits may qualify to participate in the Bryant University Yellow Ribbon Program. There is a Veterans Administration Coordinator located in the Registrar's Office to answer any questions.

Private Scholarships

In addition to information readily available through routine web searching, the Office of Financial Aid maintains an up-to-date online listing of

scholarship notices from a number of foundations and organizations promoting their programs. These can be viewed by registered Bryant students in the financial aid section of the University's secure Banner Self-Service SSO portal.