

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

TUITION AND FEES 2025-2026

APPLICATION FEES & DEPOSITS

Note: Application fees and deposits are non-refundable, whether or not the student enrolls or attends classes

Application Fees (Payable to 3rd Party Vendor):

Undergraduate Nursing Programs	\$60
Graduate Nursing Programs	\$80
Bachelor of Health Sciences	\$72
Master of Health Administration	\$115
Master of Physician Assistant	\$179
Master of Social Work Program	\$45
Master of Biomedical Sciences	\$130
Doctor of Occupational Therapy	\$155
Doctor of Physical Therapy	\$160
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	\$190

Application Fees (Payable to Samuel Merritt University):

Undergraduate Non-degree Seeking	\$50
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Tuition Deposit:

Undergraduate & Graduate (excluding Podiatric Medicine)	\$350
Doctor – Podiatric Medicine and Bridge to Podiatric Residency	\$1,000

TUITION

Note: The rates outlined below apply to the 2025-2026 academic year beginning Fall 2025 and ending Summer 2026, unless noted otherwise. Please review the 'Additional Tuition Information' for program-specific notes.

College of Nursing Programs

Non-Degree and Certificate Programs

Nursing – Prerequisite Courses

Per-Unit Cost	\$788/unit
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***Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Certificate Program (for Nurse Practitioners)**

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$54,600
Total Units	27 units

***Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) Certificate Program (for graduate-prepared nurses, not nurse practitioners)**

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$70,400
Total Units	35 units

Post-Graduate APRN Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$66,200
Total Units	38 units

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Bachelor Degree**Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)**

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$14,000
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Total Units	30 units
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(NOTE: Rates applicable if program is completed within three semesters – if extended, there is a flat rate of \$4,000 per semester starting in 4th semester, regardless of number of units enrolled.)

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$132,800
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Total Units	67 units
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Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$102,900
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Total Units	52 units
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Master Degree**Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing-Case Management (ELMSN-CM)**

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$173,800
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Total Units	93 units
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Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing-Family Nurse Practitioner (ELMSN-FNP)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$203,200
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Total Units	109 units
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Master of Science in Nursing - Case Management (MSN-CM)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$67,700
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Total Units	37 units
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Master of Science in Nursing - Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN-FNP)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$84,000
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Total Units	48 units
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***Master of Science in Nursing - Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$84,000
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Total Units	48 units
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***Master of Science in Nursing – Executive Leadership**

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$54,000
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Total Units	36 units
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Doctoral Degree**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)**

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$47,800
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Total Units	30 units
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Doctor of Nursing Practice – Family Nurse Practitioner (DNP-FNP)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$103,400
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Total Units	65 units
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***Doctor of Nursing Practice – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (DNP-PMHNP)**

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$139,100
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Total Units	66 units
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Doctor of Nursing Practice – Anesthesia (ADNP)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$173,300
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Total Units	94 units
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College of Health Sciences Programs

Non-Degree

Basic Sciences – Prerequisite Courses

Per-Unit Cost	\$788/unit
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Bachelor Degree

*Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BHS)

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$45,150
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Total Units	60 units
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Master Degree

*Master Physician Assistant (MPA)

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$156,555
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Total Units	93 units
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*Master of Social Work Program (MSW)

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$68,800
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Total Units	55 units
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Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$115,758
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Total Units	71.5 units
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Master of Health Administration (MHA)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$36,800
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Total Units	36 units
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Doctoral Degree

Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$144,900
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Total Units	89.5 units
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Doctor – Physical Therapy (DPT)

Total Program Cost Estimate	\$158,000
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Total Units	100.5 units
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College of Podiatric Medicine

Doctoral Degree

*Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM)

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$194,000
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Total Units	173 units
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*Bridge to Podiatric Medicine – Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (BPR-DPM)

Total Program Cost Estimate (incoming 2025-2026)	\$103,714
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Total Units	92.5 units
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**Indicates programs with all-inclusive pricing. All-inclusive pricing refers to programs that have a “guaranteed tuition” for the duration of the academic program, regardless of length of the program. However, this pricing is based on the assumption that students will progress to graduation according to the official program of studies. If a student falls behind (i.e. drops to part time status or takes a leave of absence) then they will be charged the appropriate all-inclusive pricing of the new cohort they are assigned to, based on the revised graduation date.*

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MISCELLANEOUS FEES

Doctor of Physical Therapy Electives (non-degree units)

DPT 700 - Improving the Care of Our Elders	\$410/unit
DPT 771 - Individual Independent Study	\$410/unit
DPT 772 - Group Independent Study	\$410/unit
DPT 781 - Advanced Pediatrics	\$410/unit
DPT 782 - Sports Medicine	\$410/unit

Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (Paid to 3rd Party)

APMLE Examination Fee (2 nd and 4 th Year)	\$925
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Audit Fee

Theory Course	\$100
Clinical Course	\$150

Synthesis Continuation Fee	\$100
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Return Check Fee	\$25
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PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Payments can be made via:

1. online (<https://smurf.samuelmerritt.edu>) by credit card or ACH check
2. in person at the Oakland campus by check or money order
3. by mail with check or money order
4. through third-party billing.

PAYMENT PLANS

Payment plans are available each semester at 0% interest rate and \$35 set up fee.

Payment plans must be set up each semester through the student's SMURF account.

CHECK PAYMENTS

Please note that all checks should be made payable to *Samuel Merritt University*.

Mail or deliver checks to Samuel Merritt University, Attn: Cashier's Office, 3100 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 1110, Oakland, CA 94609.

3rd PARTY BILLING

For 3rd party billing or outside agency billing, which may pay all or part of your tuition and fees, submit all paperwork to the Office of Student Accounts. If you have additional questions on the process, please contact

studentaccounts@samuelmerritt.edu or 800-607-6377 (option 2).

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DUE DATES

Payment of tuition is due before the first class day of each semester if paying in full. Payment plans are available for the current semester only via SMURF.

CREDITS ON STUDENT ACCOUNTS

When a credit balance is present on a student's account, disbursements will be processed within 14 days after the first day of class. If the credit balance occurs after the term has started, the credit balance will be disbursed within 14 days of the credit balance. This does not apply to tuition deposits.

NONPAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES

Accounts in "good standing" are defined as: (1) paid-in-full (i.e. zero balance), (2) enrolled in a payment plan and making payments on or before the due dates, or (3) a documented/approved third party payment agreement that covers all outstanding balance.

Students who have a delinquent balance on their student account will receive a "business office hold" preventing registration in a future semester. If a student is enrolled in a payment plan and misses two consecutive monthly payments, SMU reserves the right to cancel the payment plan and place the student on a "Business Office Hold."

CLASS DROP AND WITHDRAWALS

Students who drop a course(s) during the add/drop period, but remain enrolled in other courses during the same term, will receive a 100% refund on the dropped course(s). A student will not receive a refund if a class is dropped after the add/drop period.

Students who withdraw from the university, take a leave of absence, or are dismissed from Samuel Merritt University programs for any reason, will owe for current semester units based on the date of withdrawal (see <https://www.samuelmerritt.edu/admission/student-accounts>)

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