FEES AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Tuition

Tuition and fees are established by a vote of the Board of Trustees. Approval normally occurs between April and July. The current academic year tuition rates are published annually on the Student Accounts website.

Graduate tuition rates are based on full-time registration (9-16 credits). Graduate students who register for fewer than 9 credits will be charged per credit hour. Graduate tuition and fees apply to admitted graduate students enrolling for courses, graduate or undergraduate, at the University during the academic year. Tuition can vary based on the program enrolled, and/or major. Please see the Student Accounts Tuition and Fees page for more information.

Courses taken for audit are charged at the same rates as for-credit registrations.

Tuition Overload

Approved graduate students registered for more than 16 credits thirty days after the semester has begun will be billed a per-credit fee for each credit above 16 credits. No refund will be made if a student subsequently drops a course, reducing his or her course load to 16 or fewer credits after this time. Tuition waivers awarded with assistantships and scholarships do not cover tuition overload charges.

Tuition Differential

Tuition differential charges apply to some majors. Students in the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences (CEPS), including engineering and computer science may be charged a tuition differential. The differential is the same rate for both N.H. residents and nonresident students. Students in these programs who are registered for Doctoral Research (999) or Masters–Continuing Research (GRAD 900) are considered full-time and pay the full tuition differential. Music majors are charged an applied music fee each semester.

Account Adjustments

Students who withdraw or drop to part-time status may be eligible for a refund of tuition and fees. For most students refund is as follows; one hundred percent of tuition, mandatory fees and course fees will be refunded until the second Friday of the semester, one-half after the second Friday and until the fifth Friday; and none thereafter. Non-standard programs may have program specific refund deadlines, check the UNH Academic Calendar. The refund policy also applies to students reducing their credit load from full to part-time. This refund policy does not apply to students who withdraw from off-campus programs or programs which use nonstandard semester calendars.

All registration and add/drop deadlines can be found on the UNH Academic Calendar. Student accounts will be adjusted based on course registration. Students who withdraw or drop to part-time status after classes begin may be penalized based on the drop date of the course(s).

Refund of tuition, fees, and other charges associated with the course(s) drop are dependent upon the drop date of the course(s). Students will not be refunded tuition, fees or associated charges for courses dropped after the refund period.

Financial Aid may also be adjusted due to adjustments in course registration. Students receiving federal financial aid will have their refund calculated in accordance with the U.S. Department of Education regulations in effect at the time of their withdrawal. Specific details regarding the regulations are available in the UNH Financial Aid Office.

Fees

Fees vary based on the program enrolled in and/or major concentration. Students enrolled in courses on the Manchester are subject to campus-based mandatory fees. For information see, UNH Manchester Graduate School tuition and fees.

Continuing education courses are charged per credit hour with fees associated. For information see Continuing Education Tuition.

Graduate certificate programs are charged per credit hour with fees associated. For more information see Graduate Certificate Programs Tuition and Fees.

Graduate online programs are charged per credit hour with fees associated. For more information see UNH Online Graduate Programs.

Application Fee

Applicants will be charged an application fee when applying. For more information, see Graduate Admissions.

Enrollment Deposit

A limited number of programs require an enrollment deposit for new students. To see if your program requires an enrollment deposit visit the Programs of Study page and look under the "Application Requirements and Deadlines" section on the departments website.

Registration Fee

Graduate students registered for fewer than 9 credits will be charged a non-refundable registration fee. Continuing education courses, graduate certificate programs and graduate online programs also carry a registration fee. A registration fee is not charged for enrollment in GRAD 900 and GRAD 999 level courses.

Course Fees

A special fee is charged to students to recover the extra costs of materials and supplies not normally covered by the instructional budget and fundamental to the special instructional activities associated with a specific course. This fee may include the cost of labs/studios, special equipment, and/or field trips. These fees are noted in the course descriptions and are assessed to all students enrolled in the course.

Continuing Enrollment Fee

Students registered for Continuing Enrollment (GRAD 800) will pay a continuing enrollment fee. Unless a leave of absence is granted, graduate students are required to maintain continuous enrollment each semester of the academic year until their degree is formally awarded by registering for course credits, research, or continuing enrollment. Please contact the Graduate School regarding continuing enrollment requirements.

Master's Continuing Research Fee

Master's students registered for Master's Continuing Research (GRAD 900) will pay a continuing research fee plus full mandatory fees. Students who register for coursework in addition to Doctoral Research
will pay the appropriate additional tuition charges up to the appropriate maximum tuition rate for full-time students.

**Doctoral Research Fee**

Doctoral students in residence and registered for Doctoral Research (999) will pay a doctoral research fee plus full mandatory fees. Students who register for coursework in addition to Doctoral Research will pay the appropriate additional tuition charges up to the appropriate maximum tuition rate for full-time students. Doctoral candidates not in residence who are conducting their research away from the Durham campus may petition for a waiver of the mandatory fees.

**Student Health Benefit Requirement**

[https://www.unh.edu/health/student-health-insurance](https://www.unh.edu/health/student-health-insurance)

As a condition of enrollment, all full-time students will be required to carry health insurance, excluding those enrolled in a fully online program. Students may elect coverage under the University’s student health benefits plan or may waive the requirement by providing proof of adequate coverage through another plan. International students with F1 or J1 visas are required to enroll in the UNH-sponsored coverage. There are no exceptions to this policy. Any exceptions to this policy are at the discretion of the UNH SHBP Coordinator.

**Mandatory Fees**

The University of New Hampshire assesses mandatory fees to support expenses associated with participation in an academic community. Mandatory fees are defined as fees that all students are assessed as a prerequisite for registration unless specifically exempt. Mandatory fees are not charged based on the extent of students’ usage of the facilities or services supported by the fees. It is recognized that not all students will use the benefits and privileges made available by fee-supported activities to an equal extent. Mandatory fee charges are based on registration status: full-/part-time, depending on the number of credit hours registered. Fees can vary based on the program enrolled in and/or major concentration.

**Technology Fee** for support of Informational Technology services

- Student computing clusters
- Walk-in Help Desk services
- Technology-enhanced classroom infrastructure
- Technology liaisons; Webcat, Student Email, Canvas
- Technology-enhanced learning

**Memorial Union Fee** for the use and administration of the student union

For information, see [Memorial Union](#).

**Recreation Fee** support of programs and facilities to support an active lifestyle.

- Programs include:
  - Group Exercise
  - Intramural Sports
  - Aquatics
  - Outdoor Adventures
  - Instructional Programs and Sports Clubs
- Facilities Include:
  - Hamel Recreation Center
  - Swasey Indoor Pool and Outdoor Pool
  - Tennis Courts and other Outdoor Fields

For more information, see [Campus Recreation](#).

**Whittemore Center Fee** for the use and administration of the Whittemore Center

For Information, see [Whittemore Center](#).

**Transportation Fee** for support of student transportation via Wildcat Transit and Campus Connector.

**Health & Wellness Fee**

For information, see [Health and Wellness](#).

**Psychological & Counseling Services Fee (PACS)**

For information, see [PACS](#).

**Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP)**

For Information, see [SHARPP](#).

**Exceptions**

Exceptions apply to only the fall and spring semesters. Exceptions do not apply to fees covering the following services: Technology Fee, Health and Wellness Fee, Psychological & Counseling Services (PACS)/Mental Health Fee, and SHARPP fee.

Students who are residing outside of the immediate geographic area for a semester and whose courses, fieldwork, internship(s), or other academic work are fully outside the immediate geographic area for a semester may petition for exception. The immediate geographic area referenced is defined as a 25-mile radius around the Durham or Manchester Campus. The University will use course registration information to verify remote status.

Students who meet criteria for exception must submit a Mandatory Petition Form each semester. Forms are available from UNH Student Accounts.

Doctoral candidates not in residence who are conducting research away from the Durham campus may petition for a waiver of the mandatory fees, excluding the Technology Fee.

- The student must be advanced to candidacy and enrolled only in 999 prior to the beginning of classes.
- If on an assistantship or fellowship and petitioning the mandatory fee, the assistantship or fellowship will be adjusted accordingly.

Any conflicts resulting from this procedure will be adjudicated by the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Chief Financial Officer or their designee.

**Rebates**

Any amount owed to the University will be deducted from any rebate due to a student.

**Billing & Payment**

Electronic billing statements are sent monthly. Bills are available in [Webcat](#). Students are notified through UNH assigned e-mail addresses
when new statements are posted. Students are responsible for monitoring their UNH email address for billing notifications. Designated Parent Portal contacts are also emailed when new statements are generated and are available to view online through the Parent Portal.

Payment must be physically received (not postmarked) in full for tuition, fees, food, housing, and other semester charges by the due date. A late fee may be assessed to student accounts not paid in full by the payment due date. Student accounts not paid in full within thirty days after the payment due date may be assessed additional late fees, default charges, interest and/or collection costs, and the student may be disenrolled from classes.

UNH offers a monthly payment plan. Payment plans must be activated each semester; the payment plan does not extend to the following semester. An enrollment fee is required to participate in the payment plan. The first payment is due upon enrollment. Subsequent payments are due on the first of each month and are automatically deducted from the payment method designated. Adjustments to the payment plan are the responsibility of the plan holder, please check your monthly statement to determine if adjustments are required. Payment plans are accessible in Webcat and Parent Portal.

Students and Parent Portal users can view a history of electronic statements and payments and access a real-time view of their accounts online. Payment may be made online, or the bill may be printed and mailed with payment. Credit/Debit card transactions will be charged a nonrefundable service fee.

New Hampshire Residency
Each graduate student is classified as a resident or nonresident for tuition purposes at the time of admission to the University. The decision, made by the Graduate School, is based upon information furnished by the student’s application and any other relevant information. Nonresident undergraduates continuing directly to the Graduate School will be classified as nonresidents.

All applicants claiming New Hampshire residency are required to have been legally domiciled in New Hampshire continuously for at least twelve months immediately prior to registering for the term for which in-state status is claimed.

Students admitted from states other than New Hampshire or from foreign countries are considered nonresident throughout their entire attendance at the University unless they shall have acquired bona fide domicile in New Hampshire. Changes in residency for enrolled students as well as appeals are reviewed by the Registrar’s Office and will only occur if the student can clearly establish that his or her residence in New Hampshire is for some purpose other than the temporary one of obtaining an education at the University.

The burden of proof in all cases is upon the applicant. In all cases, the University reserves the right to make the final decision as to resident status for tuition purposes. The University rules governing tuition rates are fully set forth in the application for admission package; all students are bound by them.

New England Regional Student Program
The University of New Hampshire participates in the New England Regional Student Program administered by the New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE). Under this program, admitted graduate

students from New England may qualify for regional tuition rates (New Hampshire resident tuition, plus 50 percent).

To qualify, the program to which they are admitted must be one that is not available at any of their home state/public institutions. Inquiries about the NER program may be directed to the Graduate School or the New England Board of Higher Education: http://www.nebhe.org. This tuition rate does not apply to students who are eligible for New Hampshire resident tuition rates.

Zero-Credit Seminars
Seminars for 0 credit are billed as if they were for 1 credit.

Authority
Any conflicts resulting from this procedure will be adjudicated by the provost and vice president for academic affairs and the vice president for finance and administration or his/her designee.

Scholarships and Fellowships
Financial Assistance
Several forms of financial assistance are available to graduate students through the Graduate School and individual departments, most of which are awarded for an academic year commencing in the fall. To be eligible for any assistance, the student must first be admitted to the Graduate School. In most cases, the application for admission with supporting documents serves as the application for new graduate students for the scholarship and assistantship programs available to them. In other cases, individual departments have their own application forms. Students are advised to contact individual programs for more information about assistantships and scholarships, and any departmental application forms.

Graduate Scholarships for Merit
The Graduate School awards six scholarships annually to recognize the outstanding contributions of both master’s and doctoral students for their teaching and scholarship. Availability and criteria for award of these scholarships are announced annually by the Graduate School.

Scholarships for Full-Time Students
Students who are full–time may be granted full– or half-tuition scholarships for the academic year or semester. These awards provide for waiver of tuition and are subject to the maintenance of a high scholastic record in the Graduate School. Application is made to the student’s department or program.

Graduate Fellowships
The Graduate School offers a number of fellowships to entering students to assist programs in recruiting a high-quality and diverse student body. Availability and criteria for these fellowships are announced annually by the Graduate School. Students are nominated by their respective program coordinators.

Dissertation Fellowships
Dissertation fellowships for a maximum tenure of one academic year are available on a competitive basis to doctoral students who have been advanced to candidacy. These awards include a stipend and a waiver of the doctoral research and mandatory fees for the period of the award. Application is made to the dean of the Graduate School.
Summer Fellowships for Teaching Assistants
A limited number of summer fellowships are awarded to students who have held graduate assistantships involving teaching during a previous academic year. Application is made to the dean of the Graduate School.

Graduate Appointments 2023-2024
The university offers a variety of forms of financial assistance to graduate students in support of their efforts to obtain a graduate degree. Graduate appointments are made to post-baccalaureate students who have been regularly or provisionally admitted to the Graduate School and who have been recommended by the appropriate department or program and approved for appointment by the Graduate School. Appointments are normally for one academic year and may be renewed provided that funds are available and that the student’s academic performance, as well as performance in carrying out the responsibilities of the appointment, is satisfactory.

Note: Some departments will divide graduate awards in half so as to support a greater number of applicants. Please contact the appropriate departmental graduate coordinator for more questions on graduate award amounts.

Graduate Assistants: Graduate assistants are students who provide instructional or administrative support as specified by the appointing department and are normally supported by university funds.

Graduate Part-time Lecturers: Graduate part-time lecturers are students who because of their specific expertise are appointed to teach one or two courses per semester and are normally supported by university funds.

Graduate Interns/Trainees: Graduate interns/trainees are students who are assigned to a specific project or subject area to acquire additional learning experiences and are normally supported by external funds.

Graduate Fellows: Graduate fellows including dissertation fellowship recipients are students who have been awarded a fellowship normally through an external grant to the University of New Hampshire or directly to the student. Appointment will normally not exceed one fiscal year and may be renewed in accordance with the terms of the fellowship program.

Graduate Research Assistants: Graduate research assistants are students who are appointed to conduct research on grants supported by the Agricultural Experiment Station, or external grants and contracts.

Graduate Supplemental Appointments: U.S. and permanent resident graduate students on appointment in one of the above categories may petition¹ to supplement their regular appointment for up to an average of 10 hours per week when school is in session unless precluded from doing so by the terms of their appointment. F-1 and J-1 students on full assistantships may not accept additional appointments while school is in session. All students, including F-1 and J-1, may supplement their regular appointments for up to 20 hours per week when school is not in session (December-January Semester Break and March Spring Break). Such appointments may be processed as stipends or hourly. Assistants who serve as TA’s during the J-term receive a supplemental appointment if the workload exceeds the 20 hours they are normally expected to work.

¹ Petition process: All petitions are reviewed by the Dean of the Graduate School. Petitions must provide an explanation of the work associated with the supplemental appointment and a rationale that explains how the additional work will have a positive impact on the student's graduate program and will not negatively impact time to degree.

The petition requires input from the student’s advisor and Graduate Program Coordinator.

Graduate Stipend Only Appointments: Graduate stipend only appointments may be made to students during the academic year under one of the above categories. Students on such appointments have responsibilities of less than those of students on regular graduate appointments; have a workload of less than those of students on regular graduate appointments, and receive a lower stipend than students on regular graduate appointments.

Graduate Hourly Appointments: Graduate hourly appointments are appointments made to students in support of the instructional, administrative or research activities of the university. Students on such appointments have responsibilities of less than those of students on regular graduate appointments.

Graduate Summer Appointments: Graduate summer appointments are appointments made to students during the summer in one of the above categories. Students on summer appointments may work for up to forty hours per week. Graduate students working full time on research or combined teaching and research for the entire summer earn 2/3 of their prior academic year stipend. Appointments for less than the maximum time are prorated.

International students (F-1 and J-1) must consult the Office of International Students & Scholars to confirm employment eligibility.

2023-2024 Academic Year Dates:
- Summer Semester: May 22, 2023 - August 18, 2023
- Fall (Semester 1): August 21, 2023 - January 3, 2024
- Spring (Semester 2): January 15, 2024 - May 17, 2024
- Full Academic Year*: August 21, 2023 - May 17, 2024

*Assistants who are appointed for the full academic year should check with their hiring unit to determine the expectations for working during the semester break.

Stipends:
- Level 1 - $22,140 (All masters’ students and PhD students with a bachelor’s degree who have less than 2 years of experience as a GA or RA at UNH)
- Level 2 - $23,260 (PhD students with a master’s degree or PhD students with a bachelor’s degree who have 2 years of experience as a GA or RA @ UNH)
- Level 3 - $24,560 (PhD students at candidacy)

Additional Stipend Information: Departments may pay a higher base stipend for assistants to meet the recruitment needs of the program. Graduate assistants on a semester appointment receive a pro-rated share of the above rates. Graduate part-time lecturers receive a stipend of no less than the adjunct rate appropriate to their program. Graduate fellows, trainees and interns receive a stipend in accordance with the terms of their award.

Workload: Students on full assistantships are involved in assistantship activities for 20 hours a week during the academic year. The workload for students on stipend only and hourly appointments is specified at the time of appointment. The workload for students in both of these categories is less than 20 hours per week.
Registration: All graduate students holding appointments must be enrolled as students in order to hold an appointment during the academic year. Assistants, fellows or graduate part-time lecturers must register for a minimum of 6 course/thesis credits, Master’s Continuing Research (GRAD 900) or Doctoral Research (999) during each semester in which they hold their appointments. Interns/trainees must register according to terms specified in their contracts. Students holding a stipend only or hourly appointment must register for course/thesis credits (no minimum), Master’s Continuing Research, or Doctoral Research.

Students registered for GRAD 800 Continuing Enrollment are not eligible to hold an appointment. Students holding summer appointments have no required enrollment unless specified by their appointment.

Tuition Waivers: Students appointed as assistants, graduate fellows and graduate part-time lecturers receive tuition waivers in addition to their stipends during the period of their appointment. Waivers will be prorated for students who hold less than a full appointment. Students on stipend only and hourly appointments do not receive a waiver. Such students may be eligible for tuition scholarships. Assistants and fellows on academic year or spring only appointments receive tuition waivers for the January term. Graduate part-time lecturers receive tuition waivers for the January term only if they are teaching during that term. The Graduate School provides graduate assistants, research assistants and fellows tuition waivers for summer courses offered through the Graduate School (GRAD) related to academic programs in College Teaching, Research Ethics and Grant Writing. Summer waivers are prorated for students who had less than a full academic year appointment. Graduate assistants, research assistants and fellows may receive tuition waivers for summer courses offered outside of the Graduate School if approved by their funding source. Such waivers are provided by the hiring unit. Research assistants must have a summer appointment to be eligible for grant-funded tuition waivers for the summer sessions. Waivers cover only course work that is directly related to a student’s academic program.

Student Health Benefits Plan (SHBP): Students appointed as assistants, fellows and graduate part-time lecturers for the full academic year receive a waiver for the university’s Student Health Benefits Plan (SHBP) during the period of their appointment. Students on a fall only appointment and continuing in the graduate school for the spring semester full time receive a waiver for the SHBP for the fall and will be responsible for the spring portion of the plan costs. Students on a fall only appointment and continuing in the graduate school for the spring semester on a part time basis receive a waiver for the SHBP for the fall, have the option of continuing on the plan for the spring, and will be responsible for the spring portion of the plan costs. Students on a spring only appointment will receive a waiver for the SHBP for the spring.

Mandatory Fees: Students holding full-time assistantships are charged 50% of the full-time mandatory fees rate. Students appointed as assistants, fellows and lecturers receive a fee waiver for the technology fee during the period of their appointment. Course fees are also covered by the waiver. Mandatory fees are not covered by waivers, although scholarships may be awarded to individual students to cover these fees.

FICA taxes will generally be withheld from wages paid to any graduate student registered for less than 1 1/2 time (less than 5 credits per semester during the academic year; or less than 3 credits per session in the summer). Note: Students registered for Doctoral Research (999) or Master’s Continuing Research (GRAD 900) are full-time and will not have FICA taxes withheld. In summer students enrolled for 3 or more credits of “999” or “independent study” will generally not have FICA withheld.

Federal income taxes will be withheld from wages paid to graduate students based on information supplied to USNH Payroll on IRS Form W-4. The value of the SHBP waiver is considered a scholarship and may be reportable to the IRS and subject to tax withholding for foreign students. Both wages and scholarships may be exempt from withholding if the student is from a foreign country with tax treaty provisions that exempt these payments. The appropriate IRS Form 8233 or W-BEN must be on file in USNH Payroll in order for a foreign student to claim these exemptions.

Criminal background checks are conducted for all graduate students appointed as a teaching assistant (TA), research assistant (RA), graduate assistant (GA) or graduate part time lecturer, graduate fellow or graduate intern/trainee. Graduate students on stipend only or hourly appointments may also be required to undergo a background check depending on the nature of their appointment. These investigations are mandated by University policy requiring a pre-employment background review for all appointees who commence their duties after July 1, 2008. A standard background review consists of a criminal history review, sex and violent offender registry review, social security trace and verification; and, if required by the nature of the appointment, a Department of Motor Vehicle record search. International students whose visas and/or authorization to work in the United States were obtained after the Patriot Act was implemented on October 12, 2001, are exempt from a criminal history check.

Reappointment, Non-Reappointment and Termination

Reappointment: A graduate student who holds a working appointment directly connected with his/her graduate studies may be reappointed for an additional period, provided that funds are available and that the student’s academic performance, as well as performance in carrying out the responsibilities of the appointment is satisfactory, and the student’s status as a graduate student is maintained.

Non-reappointment: The University, for any reason, may elect not to renew a graduate student’s working appointment at the end of the appointment period. No advance notice nor any reason need be given to the graduate student in the case of non-reappointment, and the appeal procedure is not available.

Termination: A hiring unit may recommend to the Graduate School that a graduate student be terminated from a working appointment prior to the end of the appointment period. The Associate Dean of the Graduate School will act on this recommendation. A student who is terminated is entitled to a written statement of the reasons for the termination from the hiring unit. A student who is terminated may initiate an appeal except when the termination is due to the loss of funding for the position; or the termination is due to either a voluntary or involuntary loss of graduate student status. If the graduate student is eligible, and does initiate an appeal using the following procedure, s/he may be placed on leave of absence without pay during the period of time involved in processing the appeal. If the case is found in favor of the student, “back pay” will be awarded.

Step 1: The student should request that the hiring unit making the original recommendation reconsider the decision. The student’s request should be written and should contain any information that the student feels warrants a reconsideration of the decision. A copy of the request should be sent to the Graduate Dean. As soon as possible after receiving this request, the hiring unit will reconsider
the decision and notify the student and the Graduate Dean of the results of the deliberations in writing.

**Step 2:** If the student is not satisfied with the decision reached in Step 1, s/he may request that the Graduate Dean review the decision. The student's request should be in writing and must stipulate the reasons for his/her dissatisfaction with the decision reached in Step 1. The Step 2 appeal will be heard by the Student Affairs Committee of the Graduate Council, unless the student requests that the Dean or the Dean's designee hear the appeal. When the appeal is heard by the Dean's designee or the Student Affairs Committee, a recommendation is made to the Dean, who will render a decision. The Dean's decision will be communicated in writing to the student, the hiring unit and the unit's College Dean, Director or Vice-President.

**Federal Financial Aid**

Graduate students who are enrolled in a degree program at least half time (five or more credits per semester) and are a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen may be considered for federal financial aid. Graduate students are reviewed for loans and work study. There are no federal or University grants or scholarships awarded to graduate students by the UNH Financial Aid Office.

To apply for federal financial aid you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You can complete the application online at [https://www.fafsa.gov](https://www.fafsa.gov). The UNH priority deadline for applying for financial aid is March 1. This is the date by which the FAFSA must be received by the federal processor. However, students applying after March 1 will still be considered for the Federal Direct Loan, which is not subject to the priority deadline.

Be aware that the Financial Aid Office will make their offer of aid based on your full-time enrollment. If you will be enrolled for less than 9 credits or pay reduced tuition in either semester, your aid package may be adjusted. If you are not planning to be full time, you should notify the Financial Aid Office as soon as you can. Any time you change your enrollment status, receive a scholarship, tuition waiver or other resource, or correct and/or change the information on the FAFSA, an aid adjustment may result.

**Types of aid available:**

**Federal College Work Study** utilizes federal funds to provide employment opportunities to graduate students who file on time and demonstrate financial need.

**Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan** is available to graduate students regardless of financial need.

**Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan** is a loan in the student's name for graduate and professional studies. In order for a graduate or professional student to receive a Federal Direct PLUS Loan they must first file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students apply for the Federal Direct PLUS Loan at [https://www.studentloans.gov](https://www.studentloans.gov). Approval for the Direct PLUS Loan is based on good credit and the student being enrolled at least half-time in a graduate or professional degree program.

Please feel free to visit the UNH Financial Aid website ([http://www.unh.edu/financialaid](http://www.unh.edu/financialaid)) for further information.

**SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

Satisfactory progress in a course of study must be maintained by all students who receive federal financial aid. The current standards for satisfactory academic progress are available upon request from the UNH Financial Aid Office.

**Veterans Benefits**

Military servicepersons, veterans, and their dependents should investigate their eligibility for veteran’s benefit payments. Questions may be addressed to any local Veterans Administration office; the VA Education Benefits toll-free number, 888–442–4551 (888-GIBill); the VA website at [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov) or the Military and Veteran Services office at UNH (603) 862–0643, or via email UNH.Veterans@unh.edu (UNH.Veterans@unh.edu)

In accordance with 38 USC §3679(e), students using VA Chapter 33 Post-9/11 GI Bill® or VA Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation will not accrue late fees for unpaid bill items other than tuition and fees covered by Chapters 31 or 33. Moreover, UNH reserves the right to impose a late fee if the difference between the amount of the student’s financial obligation and the amount of the VA education benefit disbursement remains unpaid after student bills are due. Differences may be a result of, but not limited to, charges for housing, meal plans, parking permits, or if the student is not entitled to 100% of Chapter 33. GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at [https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill).