

**UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEMS AT
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE MEDICAL CENTER
MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE PROGRAM
TUITION, FEES, AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

TUITION PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Students are responsible for payment of tuition by the deadlines as specified by the program. Students have the sole responsibility for obtaining financial aid, if needed, in order to complete tuition payments by the required deadlines.

Undergraduate (3+1) University of Tennessee students pay tuition to the university. They must follow the tuition schedule and requirements specified by the university. Information can be found at <https://onestop.utk.edu/>.

In 2019, a laboratory fee of \$750 per semester is assessed to each 3+1 student to cover student laboratory expenses. This fee is payable to UT Medical Center. Payment schedule follows the University of Tennessee tuition schedule.

4 + 1 students pay tuition and fees to the UHS MLS Program. Fees are due upon on the University of Tennessee tuition schedule. Tuition and fees for the 4 + 1 program for 2019 is \$16,800 payable in three increments. The fee includes tuition and laboratory fees. **The tuition is subject to change each year, based upon University of Tennessee tuition increases and UT Medical Center program costs.**

All students who are offered admittance into the program must submit a \$250.00 fee with their letter of acceptance to secure their position in the class. This is a non-refundable fee.

LATE FEES

3+1 students:

If a 3+1 student does not pay tuition by the deadline specified by the university, he or she will be assessed a late fee. If the student has not paid tuition by the deadline, the university will cancel all classes.

If classes are cancelled by the university due to non-payment of fees, the student will be dismissed from the program.

4+1 students:

Students may not attend classes or continue in the program if tuition is not paid by the due dates. If a student has an extenuating circumstance and anticipates a late payment, he or she should notify the program director as soon as possible. In extreme circumstances, exceptions will be considered but are not guaranteed.

Because admission is competitive and alternate candidates cannot be accepted after the program begins, tuition refunds are not given for students who withdraw from the program.

FINANCIAL AID

3 + 1 Students:

Undergraduate (3 + 1) students should contact the University of Tennessee office of Financial Aid and Scholarships for information. For further information, refer to <http://web.utk.edu/~finaid/> and / or <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>.

4 + 1 Students:

1. Because the MLS Program at the University of Tennessee Medical Center is not a Title IV school, 4 + 1 students who are enrolled directly through the University of Tennessee Medical Center are not eligible for federal Stafford loans, Pell grants, or other federal funds.
2. 4 + 1 students may obtain loans from local credit unions, banks, or other lending agencies. The student has the sole responsibility for securing financial aid for the clinical year. The MLS program at the medical center cannot provide loans to individuals in the program and is not responsible for locating loans for students.
3. The University of Tennessee Medical Center MLS program is a participant with Sallie Mae student loans (www.salliemae.com). See the program director for information regarding Sallie Mae.
4. **As soon as the student is admitted into the program**, he/she should begin obtaining sources of financial aid. Students who wait until a few weeks before the program commences to seek financial aid may not be successful.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Scholarships may be available based upon merit and financial need from the University of Tennessee Medical Center John Evans Scholarship fund which was created in memory of a UTMC pathologist. The program director will provide students with the form as well as information and directions for applying for this scholarship.

Other scholarships are often available annually from professional organizations. The program director will attempt to notify students of scholarship opportunities as they become available; however, students are responsible for locating and applying for available scholarships.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE POLICY:

A student who does not comply with the terms of the tuition policy may be dismissed from the program. A student has the right to appeal dismissal as specified in the Student Grievances and Appeals Policy.