

University of Houston System Fixed Four Year Tuition Option

The University of Houston System offers a Fixed Four Year Tuition Option as a budgeting tool for undergraduate students. Over a four year period, 12 consecutive fall, spring and summer semesters, the Fixed Four Year Tuition rate is generally less than the regular per credit hour rate which is subject to inflation adjustments. However, by signing a contract for the Fixed Four Year Tuition Option, students are able to establish the same tuition rate for four years and eliminate uncertainty about future tuition increases, allowing students and parents to accurately prepare their educational budget.

The contract for the Fixed Four Year Tuition Option requires students to complete a minimum of 30 credit hours per year, in good standings, including a consecutive fall, spring and summer semester. Student will also be able to take additional semester credit hours over 15 without a rate increase and up to six credits in summer at no additional cost.

In the 2014-2015, academic year, the guaranteed tuition rate (15 hours or more) is \$XXXX per semester (INSERT CAMPUS RATE SCHEDULE OR NUMBER). Although this is higher than the 2014-2015 per credit hour tuition rate for 15 credit hours), students signing a four year fixed rate contract will be able to pay this rate per semester for 12 consecutive fall, spring and summer semesters while regular tuition rates may increase yearly.

FAQs

Q: What is a Fixed Four Year Tuition?

A: A Fixed Four Year Tuition allows a student to pay the same rate for four consecutive year of tuition, that is 12 consecutive fall, spring and summer semesters.

Q: When do I sign up for the Fixed Four Year Tuition plan?

A: When admitted to UH and you register at the end of your orientation you will be offered the opportunity to sign up for the Fixed Four Year Tuition Option.

Q: What happens if I am unable to complete my degree in the four year period?

A: After the contract expires you pay the per credit rate in effect at that time.

Q: What happens if I am unable to complete 30 credit hours in a year?

A: If you cannot meet the performance requirements of the contract you pay the per credit rate in effect at that time.

Q: What happens if I want to cancel the contract?

A: Simply notify the Bursars Office in writing 30 days before the start of the next semester and before you register.

Q: How do I sign up for the Fixed Four Year Tuition plan?

A: Complete the form on the next page and submit it with your first semester payment?

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CONTRACT

This agreement is entered into between The University of Houston (University) and the party (s) signing below (Student) to provide Student with a fixed four year tuition rate through four (4) consecutive academic years, twelve (12) consecutive fall, spring and summer semesters.

The guaranteed tuition rate in effect for students entering the program in the Fall 2014 is \$XXXX per semester. To qualify for the program students must:

- (1) Be a first time freshman admitted unconditionally in the fall semester. (SEPARATE CONTRACT FOR TRANSFERS)
- (2) Enroll in 15 or more college credit hours in initial semester; credit for developmental courses are not counted towards the 15 credit requirement;
- (3) Successfully complete 30 semester credit hours within each academic year;
- (4) Enroll in a degree-seeking four-year program; enrollment in non-degree, non academic professional and public programs or other off-campus programs do not qualify;
- (5) Maintain good academic standing as per the requirements of the student handbook. Or minimum GPA??

To maintain continuing eligibility, program requirements 3, 4, and 5 as stated above must be met throughout the four (4) consecutive academic years (Fall and Spring). Summer enrollment is not required but credits completed during summer can be used toward the 30-credit requirement.

Any other interruptions of attendance, with the exception of participation in a University sponsored cooperative employment/learning experience, may result in disqualification from this program. Students who lose eligibility will be required to pay the University's current per credit hour tuition rate and fees for regular enrollment in effect for that term and thereafter.

This guaranteed rate includes all mandatory tuition and fees associated with enrollment, it does not cover any other charges associated with attendance at the University such as, but not limited to: room and board, textbooks, supplies, fines, transcript fee, late registration fee, drop/add fee, examination/testing fee, new entering student fee, property deposit fee, ID card fee, parking permits, non-traditional credit fees and other voluntary fees.

This Agreement covers only tuition charges as defined, from time to time, by the University and in no way limits the University's rights in respect of matters, including University charges, not covered hereby. The benefits of this Agreement are not

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assignable to any other student, nor may they be utilized for any term beginning four years from the first term of this Agreement. The student will make payments in accordance with the University payment policy

If the enrollment of the student is canceled for any reason (including withdrawal, suspension, or expulsion), the amount of the refund shall be in accordance with the general refund policy of the University. The University reserves the right to offset any amounts refundable hereunder against any amounts owed by the student.

I elect to participate in UH's Fixed Four Year Tuition Plan program and agree to all the terms and conditions outlined above.

Signature

Date

Student ID number

Address

City, State, Zip:
Telephone Number

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