

International Student Fees Fact Sheet

Taxes on scholarships / fellowships

- For comprehensive information, see <https://global.utexas.edu/iss/advising-services/taxes>.
- There is a mandatory 14% tax withheld from scholarship or fellowship payments made to nonresident aliens for students with a valid F or J student visa.
- The withholding rate is 30% for students without an appropriate student visa.
- If the student is from [a treaty country](#) and has completed the treaty benefit application process, no taxes will be deducted from the scholarship/fellowship payment or any taxes that have been deducted will be refunded.
- Eligibility for a tax treaty exemption is based on visa status, country of residence, and other criteria such as history of presence in the United States.
- To check eligibility for applying for tax treaty benefits, contact the [International Students and Scholars Office](#). Once the necessary form has been submitted and approved, the Office of Accounting will process a refund.
- Students may apply for a refund for taxes withheld the previous year by submitting form 1040NR directly to the IRS.
 - If the department wants to give out a certain net payment amount, they can increase the gross of the payment to include the amount that will be taken out by the tax.

Insurance Requirement - for Visa status of F or J

- The Texas Board of Regents requires that all international students enrolled at UT in a visa status of F or J carry health insurance
- Enrollment in the [UT Student Health Insurance Plan](#) is automatic at the time of registration
- The cost of the policy is included in the student's tuition and fee bill
- The Fall tuition bill will reflect the cost of insurance for the Fall semester
- The Spring tuition bill will reflect the cost of insurance for both Spring and Summer semesters
- Information Sessions regarding UT Health Insurance are offered during Fall Orientation

Voluntary Insurance Enrollment – for other Visa Status

- Only students in an F or J visa status are required by University of Texas System Board of Regents to maintain health insurance and are automatically billed for insurance
- Students in any other visa category have the option to purchase the [UT Student Health Insurance Plan](#) during their studies at UT.
- There are deadlines each semester to purchase the Student Health Insurance Plan

Waivers

In certain cases listed below, students holding comparable coverage may be eligible to waive enrollment in the UT Student Health Insurance Plan. Please see the ISSS [insurance waivers webpage](#) for further waiver eligibility information:

- Graduate student with an Academic Assignment (TA/GRA/AI)
- Spouse/Child of a UT Employee
- Student graduating in Spring
- Graduate Student with a Fellowship
- Student with US Employer Insurance
- Student with Individual Insurance

Additional Fees

In addition to the health insurance costs that are automatically billed towards tuition, International students are subject to the following fees also added to tuition:

- The ISSS Support Services Fee is \$125 per semester for all non-immigrant international students enrolled at the university, regardless of how many hours they are taking
- A Health Insurance Administrative Fee of 5% added to the cost of the Student Health Insurance Plan premium; mandatory
- International Supplemental Insurance: insurance for the month arrived in the US and before they start to work/school and can get employee insurance (It is a mandatory fee or I think can be paid by dept funding on an SS2 waiver)
- Evacuation fee: Medical Evacuation/Repatriation of Remains coverage that is not covered by employee insurance (transportation of the individual's bodily remains back to their area of principle residence); mandatory

Insurance Contact Information

- Insurance Advisor (for General Insurance-Related Inquiries): intlinsurance@austin.utexas.edu
Tel (512) 471-1211
- To schedule an Insurance Advisor appointment, see the [appointments page](#)
- For information regarding the UT Health Insurance Plan Provider, please visit utexas.myahpcare.com