



**GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY AND AWARDING
NONRESIDENT TUITION REMISSIONS FOR GRADUATE
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

Wisconsin State Statute: University of Wisconsin Chapter 36 University of Wisconsin System 36.27(3)(c): The board may remit nonresident tuition, in whole or in part, but no other fees, except in special circumstances as approved by the chancellor, to worthy and needy foreign students and to students who are United States citizens but whose residence is not in the United States.

1. Current and future budget constraints will be taken into consideration when making all decisions on nonresident tuition remissions. Individual remission amounts and number of remissions available are subject to adjustments during any semester based on funds available.
2. To be considered for the nonresident tuition remission, a graduate student applicant must be in F-1 status, an applicant for F-1 status (outside the U.S.), or a citizen of the U.S. whose legal residence is outside the United States. Applicants for political asylum will be considered for the nonresident tuition remission on a case-by-case basis.
3. Consideration will be given to distributing nonresident tuition remissions among students from the widest possible variety of countries and genders as equitably as possible.
4. Previous eligibility and receipt of a nonresident tuition remission as an undergraduate student at UW Oshkosh in no way assures continuation of that remission at the graduate level of education.
5. Nonresident tuition remission decisions for new and continuing graduate students will be made by the Director of Graduate Services in consultation with the International Student Services Coordinator. If warranted the Nonresident Tuition Remission committee may also be consulted to make an award decision.
6. The decision to grant a nonresident tuition remission to a new graduate student will be based on:
 - Financial need
 - Academic achievement (new students: admission in full standing; continuing students: cannot be on academic probation or suspension and must have achieved a minimum grade point of 3.00 or higher.)

Be aware a nonresident tuition remission is not intended to be a resource by which an applicant can receive a full waiver of all tuition upon admission into a program.

7. International graduate students who were admitted without a nonresident tuition remission and request a nonresident tuition remission as a continuing student must:
 - Complete one full semester (at least six graduate credits)
 - Be in academic full-standing
 - Cannot be on academic probation or suspension
 - Earn a minimum 3.00 grade point average
 - Complete a new "Confidential Declaration of Financial Resources" form
 - Prove financial need by demonstrating a substantial change in financial support from the time of admission to the university to the time of remission application



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8. Continuing graduate student nonresident tuition remission recipients must meet all of the following requirements for the continuation of the nonresident tuition fee remission in future semesters:
- Maintain full-time student status - Enroll in nine graduate credits per semester or six credits if a graduate assistant
 - Be in academic full standing
 - Cannot be on academic probation or suspension
 - Maintain a minimum 3.00 cumulative graduate grade point average or higher

Exceptions to the full-time status provision may be granted only in the last semester of the degree program if remaining requirements are less than full-time status course enrollment. This and any other requests for an exception to the full-time status provision of the tuition remission must be approved by the respective Graduate Program Coordinator, Director of Graduate Services and International Student Services Coordinator.

9. A graduate nonresident tuition remission recipient is eligible for the nonresident tuition remission to cover coursework leading toward the completion of their initial and single graduate degree at UW Oshkosh, but not for additional graduate coursework after the initial graduate degree has been completed (i.e. completion of a second master's, certificate or graduate achievement program) or for concurrent graduate course work for a dual degree or certificate. A graduate nonresident tuition remission recipient is eligible for the nonresident tuition remission to cover summer coursework provided the coursework counts toward the completion of their initial and single graduate degree at UW Oshkosh and also meets all other remission requirements.
10. An applicant who has already earned a graduate degree in the United States is not eligible for the nonresident tuition remission. Other applicants who have not previously earned a U.S. graduate degree get priority consideration.
11. International graduate students sponsored with grants from their home governments are ineligible for the nonresident tuition remission. Those receiving government loans will be considered on an individual basis.
12. The nonresident tuition remission is rescinded immediately in the semester after a graduate student's cumulative graduate grade point average goes below a 3.000 or is on academic probation or suspension.
13. The graduate student whose nonresident tuition remission has been rescinded is eligible for reinstatement of the remission in the semester immediately following the rescission provided eligibility requirements are met.
14. A nonresident tuition remission will be permanently revoked upon a second, separate occurrence of not meeting any or all eligibility requirements.
15. There are no circumstances by which an applicant/student may request and be granted a complete remission (full nonresident and all resident tuition). State of Wisconsin and UW System policy do not allow the awarding of a complete remission.



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16. APPEALS PROCESS:

Graduate students who have been denied a nonresident partial tuition remission award, or have had her or his tuition remission award rescinded for not meeting eligibility requirements, should contact the Office of Graduate Studies for information about how to proceed with an appeal. Invoking an appeals process alone does not imply or guarantee that an appeal will be granted.