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Cost of Attendance



To determine each student's financial need, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary uses the following tuition charges, fees, and

expenses based on the average cost of living in Western Pennsylvania for the Fall and Spring semesters. Actual living expenses for each student will vary based on his/her standard of living, spending habits, and values. Learn more about the Seminary's Tuition and Fees.

2025-2026 FULL-TIME MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS, NINE-MONTH

Expense	Single/Efficiency	Multi-Room	Off-Campus
Tuition (27 credits) *	\$12,960	\$12,960	\$12,960
Books, Course Materials, Supplies, and Equipment	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Comprehensive Student Fee	\$400	\$400	\$400
Rent	\$6,570 **	\$9,810 **	\$10,259
Food	\$4,397	\$4,397	\$4,397
Transportation	\$2,985	\$2,985	\$2,985
Miscellaneous ***	\$9,499	\$9,499	\$9,499
Average Federal Loan Fee at PTS	\$132	\$132	\$132
Ordination Exam Fee ****	\$1,611	\$1,611	\$1,611
Total	\$39,284	\$42,524	\$42,973

* 2025-2026 Master's Degree Tuition is \$480 per credit.

** Average rent for unit category. Actual rates may vary depending on size of apartment.

*** Personal care, clothing, cable, telephone, etc.

**** Ordination Exam Fee is only added to the second year of a student who confirms they are pursuing ordination.

PTS has the authority to use professional judgment to adjust the Cost of Attendance on a case-by-case basis to allow for special circumstances. The student should submit written explanation and documentation to be considered.

Federal guidelines consider consumer debt a lifestyle choice and does not include it in the eligibility calculations.

2026-2027 FULL-TIME MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS, NINE-MONTH

2027-2028 FULL-TIME MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS, NINE-MONTH

The following tuition charges, institutional fees, and amounts are based on the average cost of participating onsite in the Doctor of Ministry program. Actual expenses will vary and will be used to determine a student's eligibility for institutional need-based tuition grants.

2025-2026 FULL-TIME DOCTORAL PROGRAM FOR PTS GRANTS

Expense	On Campus	Off Campus
Tuition, based on four courses* (12 credits)	\$4,920	\$4,920
Books, Course Materials, Supplies, and Equipment	\$500	\$500

Expense	On Campus	Off Campus
Comprehensive Student Fee**	\$400	\$400
Meals	\$596	\$596
Housing	\$1,476	\$2,670
Travel ***	\$1,869	\$1,869
Total	\$9,761	\$10,955

*Tuition rate for the Doctor of Ministry program is \$410/credit.

**Fees for the Creative Writing & Public Theology cohort are \$500 for the year.

***Travel costs will vary due to traveling distance.

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2026-2027 FULL-TIME DOCTORAL PROGRAM FOR PTS GRANTS

2027-2028 FULL-TIME DOCTORAL PROGRAM FOR PTS GRANTS

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Expense	
Tuition (12 credits)	\$5,760
Books, Course Materials, and Supplies	\$500
Equipment (computer)	\$870
Travel	\$1,305
Total	\$8,315

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COST OF ATTENDANCE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ADAPTIVE AND INNOVATIVE MINISTRY AND GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN FAITH, WORK, AND THE COMMON GOOD 2027-2028

TOTAL PROGRAM COST OF ATTENDANCE

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