

Genetic Counseling Program

Financial Considerations

Work Positions

Genetic counseling students can be successful in securing hourly part time student positions. These positions involve working up to 20 hours a week for a faculty member for an hourly wage. In addition, some positions obtained by students provide them with research experience that can be used for their Master's thesis.

General Scholarships:

There are a few scholarships that genetic counseling students are eligible to apply for, available through the Graduate School of Public Health and the University. When eligible, genetic counseling students have been successful in obtaining these scholarships in the past.

MS in Genetic Counseling

The following is an estimation of tuition and fees for the MS in Genetic Counseling degree. These only represent an estimation as tuition rates change each year.

First year	Pennsylvania Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition	\$13,795 per term	\$23,407 per term
Other costs	\$475 per term	\$475 per term
Cost per term	\$14,270	\$23,882
Summer		
Students will not have any program costs during the summer term.		
Second year	Pennsylvania Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition (4 credits per term*)	\$1,122 per credit	\$1,916 per credit
Other costs	\$295 per term	\$295 per term
Cost per term	\$4,783	\$7,959

*In some circumstances, students using federal loans may be required to take a minimum of 5 credits per term in the second year. This would result in an additional cost of \$1,122 for Pennsylvania residents and \$1,916 for out of state residents per term in the second year.

Dual Degree: MS in Genetic Counseling/MPH in Public Health Genetics

The total number of credits required to complete the dual degree program is 62 credits. There are different options available for obtaining 62 credits over the course of the program. It is possible to complete the dual degree within 4 academic terms, however, most students complete both degrees within 5 academic terms.

The following is an estimation of tuition and fees for the Dual Degree program. These only represent an estimation as tuition rates change each year.

First year		
Expenses	Pennsylvania Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition	\$13,795 per term	\$23,407 per term
Other costs	\$475 per term	\$475 per term
Cost per term	\$14,270	\$23,882
Summer term I		
Students will not have any program costs unless they are registered for courses during summer term I.		
Second year <u>if full-time student</u> (9-15 credit hours)		
Expenses	Pennsylvania Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition	\$13,795 per term	\$23,407 per term
Other costs	\$475 per term	\$475 per term
Cost per term	\$14,270	\$23,882
Second year <u>if part-time student</u> (less than 9 credit hours)		
Expenses	Pennsylvania Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition	\$1,122 per credit	\$1,916 per credit
Other costs	\$295 per term	\$295 per term
Cost per term is dependent on the number of credit hours the student pursues each term		
Summer term 2		
Tuition (2 credits)	\$1,122 per credit	\$1,916 per credit
Other costs	\$295 per term	\$295 per term
Cost of summer term 2	\$2,539	\$4,127