

WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
College of Health & Human Sciences
Department of Physical Therapy

Approximate Expenses for Students during Three-Year Enrollment
(Based on Figures for Academic Year 2025-2026)

***Program Related Expenses:**

	*Books and Testing	Liability Ins.	APTA Dues	EXXAT fees	Immuni-zations	Drug Test, Criminal Background Check	Graduation Application Fee	Gown, Cap, Hood Rental	TOTAL
Semester 1	\$1069	\$15	\$90	\$35	\$180	\$85			\$1474
Semester 2	\$222								\$222
Summer 1	\$612								\$612
Semester 3	\$722	\$15	\$90	\$35		\$85			\$947
Semester 4	\$85								\$85
Summer 2	\$0								\$0
Semester 5	\$106	\$15	\$90	\$35		\$85	\$60		\$391
Semester 6	\$0.00							\$78	\$78
TOTAL	\$2816	\$45	\$270	\$105	\$180	\$255	\$60	\$78	\$3809

*Costs for textbooks will be determined prior to the beginning of each semester. Costs are approximate. Some books are used in multiple semesters.

APTA Dues = \$80 national and \$10 NCPTA

EXXAT fees = clinical education portal for the APPROVE services

Immunizations = example: Hepatitis B Series - \$180 (average cost from public health department, \$60 per shot), other fees depend on vaccination updates as needed

	Tuition and Required Fees		*Program-Related Expenses	TOTAL	
	In-State*	Out-of-State*		In-State	Out-of-State
Semester 1	\$4596	\$10996	\$1474	\$6070	\$12470
Semester 2	\$4596	\$10996	\$222	\$4818	\$11218
Summer 1	\$6600	\$10185	\$612	\$7212	\$10797
Semester 3	\$4596	\$10996	\$947	\$5543	\$11943
Semester 4	\$4596	\$10996	\$85	\$4681	\$11081
Summer 2	\$4840	\$7469	\$0	\$4840	\$7469
Semester 5	\$4596	\$10996	\$391	\$4987	\$11387
Semester 6	\$4596	\$10996	\$78	\$4674	\$11074
TOTAL	\$39,016	\$83,630	\$3,809	\$42,825	\$87,439

* Costs are approximate as of October 10th, 2025

Summer School (2025)	Instate Tuition/Fees/Tuition Differential	\$440/credit hour
	Out of State Tuition/Fees/Tuition Differential	\$679/credit hour

Summer One, DPT students take 15 credits

Summer Two, DPT students take 11 credits

- ❖ Not included is the cost of health insurance for length of program \$8,379.24
- ❖ Not included is the cost of the National Board Exasmination: application fee (NC) \$150.00 and exam fee \$485.00
- ❖ Not included is the cost of clinical travel, clinical housing, clinical meals and other requirements from clinical facilities \$2500
- ❖ Not included is the cost of travel to and from professional meetings (CSM Annual Conference; NCPTA Conference; SCAPTA Conference) \$500
- ❖ Not included is the cost of an as-needed NPTE prep course for 3rd years ranging from \$150-\$500