

Registration and Fee Responsibility Agreement

Payment of Fees/Promise to Pay

I understand that when I register for any class at The University of Tennessee at Martin ("UTM") or receive any service from UTM, I accept full responsibility to pay all tuition, fees, and other associated costs assessed as a result of my registration and/or receipt of services. I also agree to pay all room, board, parking citations, library fines, bookstore charges, class fees, and other charges assessed by UTM by the applicable semester due dates. See <http://www.utm.edu/departments/bursar/tuition.php> for a full listing of fees.

I further understand and agree that my registration and acceptance of these terms constitutes a promissory note agreement (i.e., a financial obligation in the form of an educational loan as defined by the U.S. Bankruptcy Code at 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(8)) in which UTM is providing me educational services, deferring some or all of my payment obligation for those services, and I promise to pay for all assessed tuition, fees and other associated costs by the published or assigned due date. I understand that any monies owed to UTM under a payment plan constitute an education loan that cannot be discharged in bankruptcy.

I am responsible for fees associated with class drop/add if I fall below full-time status or completely withdraw from the University. I have reviewed and understand the published tuition refund schedule found at <http://www.utm.edu/departments/bursar/refunding.php> and understand those terms are incorporated herein by reference. I further understand that my failure to attend class or receive a bill does not absolve me of my financial responsibility as described above. If I am unable to attend UTM for any reason, I must officially withdraw through the Registrar's Office.

In addition, if UTM is required to return Federal Title IV funds (federal aid) or federal veteran benefits as a result of my dropping of classes or withdrawal (official or unofficial), I acknowledge and agree that I am responsible for the repayment of the federal aid to the University.

Delinquent Account/Collection

Financial Hold: I understand and agree that if I fail to pay my student account bill or any monies due and owing in full to UTM by the scheduled semester due date, UTM will place a financial hold on my student account, preventing me from registering for future classes, requesting transcripts, or receiving my diploma, until my debt is paid in full.

Late Payment Charge: I understand and agree that if I fail to pay my student account bill or any monies due and owing UTM by the scheduled due date, UTM will assess late payment and/or monthly finance charges at up to the highest rate allowable under Tennessee law on the past due portion of my student account until my past due account is paid in full.

Collection Agency Fees: I understand and accept that if I fail to pay my student account bill or any monies due and owing UTM by the scheduled due date, and fail to make acceptable payment arrangements to bring my account current, UTM may refer my delinquent account to a collection agency. I further understand that I am responsible for paying the collection agency fee which may be based on a percentage at a maximum of 33.3 percent of my delinquent account, together with all costs, fees, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs, necessary for the collection of my delinquent account. Finally, I understand that my delinquent account may be reported to one or more of the national credit bureaus.

Communication

Method of Communication: I understand and agree that UTM uses e-mail as an official method of communication with me, and that therefore I am responsible for reading the e-mails I receive from UTM on a timely basis.

Contact: I authorize UTM and its agents and contractors to contact me at my current and any future cellular phone number(s), email address(es), or wireless device(s) regarding my delinquent student account(s)/loan(s), any other debt I owe to UTM, or to receive general information from UTM. I authorize UTM and its agents and contractors to use automated telephone dialing equipment, artificial or pre-recorded voice or text messages, and personal calls and emails, in their efforts to contact me. Furthermore, I understand that I may withdraw my consent to call my cellular phone by submitting my request in writing to Bursar's office or in writing to the applicable contractor or agent contacting me on behalf of UTM.

Updating Contact Information: I understand and agree that I am responsible for keeping UTM records up to date with my current physical addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers by following the procedure at <http://www.utm.edu/departments/registrar/address.php>. The linked procedure is incorporated herein by reference. Upon leaving UTM for any reason, it is my responsibility to provide UTM with updated contact information for purposes of continued communication regarding any amounts that remain due and owing to UTM.

Entire Agreement

This agreement supersedes all prior understandings, representations, negotiations and correspondence between the student and UTM, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the matters described, and shall not be modified or affected by any course of dealing or course of performance. This agreement may be modified by UTM if the modification is signed by me. Any modification is specifically limited to those policies and/or terms addressed in the modification.