Finance & Funding Webinar
for Bryan School Master’s and Certificate Programs
Information Resources

- This webinar was created by the Bryan Graduate Recruitment Team as a resource for students interested in master’s and certificate programs.

- Today’s presentation will focus on finance and funding options used by current Bryan graduate students.

- For more information or details about the resources discussed, please reach out to the contacts listed on each slide.
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UNC Greensboro is a designated Minority Serving Institution.

The Bryan School graduates more African American undergraduate business students than any other business school in North Carolina.

UNCG was ranked #1 in N.C. for social mobility by U.S. News & World Report in 2021.
Recent Rankings

#2  On Campus MBA in U.S. - Greatest Resources for Minority Students
    Princeton Review, 2022

#34 Best Online Graduate IT Program in the U.S.
    U.S. News, 2021

#48 Best Online MBA in the U.S.
    The Princeton Review, 2021

#2 Best Online Master’s in Business in North Carolina (Non-MBA)
    U.S. News, 2022
Meet them at bryan.uncg.edu/gradambassadors
Other Upcoming Events

Application Webinars
Topic-Based Webinars
One-on-One Meetings
Recruiter Q & A Sessions
Virtual Info Sessions

Register at go.uncg.edu/bryangrad
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- Primary source of information for UNC Greensboro students
- Tuition Rates & Fees
- Payment Plan Options
- Course Registration
- Academic Calendars
- Financial Aid Options
- Visa Requirements
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Tuition Rates

Tuition rates are published at Spartan Central.

Tuition Differential
Bryan graduate courses have additional tuition differential fees which help provide services like:

- Career coaching
- Professional development
- Business partnerships
- Alumni connections
- And more!

### UNC Greensboro
GRADUATE Tuition and Fees
Fall 2023 - Spring 2024
Main Campus

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<th>Program Designated as On-Campus (B-Greensboro Main or R-Gateway Campus Students)</th>
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### Tuition Differentials

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Note: Tuition and fees are subject to change pending legislative approval.
Estimated Program Costs

Estimated program costs can be found on your program’s webpage: bryan.uncg.edu/programs

- Select Program
- Then click Program Costs
## Estimated Costs by Program

### MS in Retail Studies

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<td>$41,000</td>
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Assumes 2 yrs of full-time, on-campus study

### MS in IT & Management

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<td>$39,000</td>
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Assumes 1 ½ yrs of full-time, on-campus study

### MBA

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<td>$62,000</td>
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Assumes 2 yrs of full-time, on-campus study

### MS in Accounting

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Tuition Rate Categories

- The state of North Carolina partially subsidized tuition costs for residents is in NC.
- Tuition Rate Categories:
  - In-State | Out-of-State | Out-of-NC
  
  *International students with F-1 visas typically pay the Out-of-State tuition rate*

- Residency status is determined by NC Residency Determination Service
More About Tuition Rates

- **Out-of-State** students can request **Out-of-NC** tuition rates if they are:
  - enrolled in an online program,
  - physically residing outside of North Carolina, and
  - legally classified as an out-of-state student (non-NC residents)
Fee Bills & Timeline

Your fee bill will only include tuition and fees *for enrolled courses*

**APPROXIMATE TIMELINE FOR NEW GRADUATE STUDENTS**

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<th>Fall Enrollment</th>
<th>Spring Enrollment</th>
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<td>Course Registration</td>
<td>Begins late April</td>
<td>Begins mid-November</td>
<td>Begins mid-February</td>
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<td>Fee Bills Sent</td>
<td>Begins early July</td>
<td>Begins mid-November</td>
<td>Begins mid-April</td>
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<td>Payment Due</td>
<td>Early August</td>
<td>Early January</td>
<td>Early May</td>
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Fee bills are posted to UNCGenie ([ssb.uncg.edu](http://ssb.uncg.edu)) which is accessible to admitted students. Login instructions will be included in your program welcome email.
Tuition & Billing Contact

UNCG Cashiers & Student Accounts Office
Available Monday through Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm (EST)
336-334-5831 or cashier@uncg.edu
## Housing & Living Expenses

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<th>Estimated Annual Costs</th>
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<td>Health Insurance</td>
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<td>Unlimited Meal Plan</td>
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Learn more about meal plan options by visiting the [SpartanCard website](#).

Learn more about graduate student housing options by visiting the [Housing & Residence Life website](#).
Visa Process

- Visa Process Outline:
  https://international.uncg.edu/international-students-and-scholars/obtaining-or-renewing-your-visa/

- Required Documents:
  Graduate Financial Certificate + Bank Statement + Affidavit of Support + Passport Copy

To obtain your form I-20 and to request a student visa, you must certify that you have available financial resources to support a full course of study for one academic year. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security requires that a student be enrolled full-time to maintain student status.

Total Minimum Budget (2023): $41,283

International Student and Scholar Services
M-F 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (EST)
336-334-5404 | isss@uncg.edu
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*used by current Bryan graduate students*

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<td>Monthly Payment Plan</td>
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<td>Fully-Funded by Employer</td>
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<td>Partially-Funded by</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>Military Assistance/Other</td>
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Direct Payment

- Credit Card
- Electronic Check (*bank draft*)
- Mail (*checks and money orders*)
- In-Person (*cash, check and money order payments*)
- International bank transfer

336-334-5831
cashier@uncg.edu
csh.uncg.edu
Monthly Payment Plans

- Payment Plan Options:
  - 5 payments - Requires 20% deposit
  - 4 payments - Requires 25% deposit
  - 3 payments - Requires 33% deposit

All options have $35 set up fee

Monthly Payment Plans can also be used by students with graduate assistantships.
Employer Contributions

- Some employers offer full or partial tuition benefits
- Selected current and past employers:
  - Arch MI
  - Cone Health
  - Truist
  - MetLife
  - Renfro Brands
  - Charter Communications
  - Deloitte
  - First National Bank of PA
  - NC A&T
  - TE Connectivity
  - GXO Logistics, Inc.
  - HanesBrands
  - Johnson & Johnson
  - NC SECU
  - WFMY News 2

- Employer-sponsored students may be able to defer payment of a balance covered by the third party.

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Private Loans

- Does not require FAFSA
- Credit-based loans offered by private lenders to help students finance their degree program.
  - Usually require a good credit history and/or a co-signer
  - Can be more costly than federal education loans
  - Limited options for international students
UNCG Funding Partner for International Students

- Prodigy Finance: for international students enrolled in full time, on campus programs
- Approved Bryan graduate programs:
  - MBA
  - MBA/MSN
  - MS in IT Management
  - MS in Accounting
- No cosigner or collateral required
- Loans can be used for tuition and living expenses
- Once admitted, complete their online application

866-533-3304
info@prodigyfinance.com
prodigyfinance.com
Other Loan Options for International Students

Most student loan issuers will require a U.S. citizen to co-sign on your loan application. A co-signer would ultimately be responsible for repaying your student loan should you default on payments. Make sure you discuss your options thoroughly with a trusted friend or family member before applying for student loans.

- Access Group: lending.accessgroup.org
- Sallie Mae: salliemae.com
- American Education Services: aessuccess.org
- Wells Fargo: wellsfargo.com

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Scholarships

• Scholarship opportunities are *limited* and *highly competitive*

• **All incoming students** are considered for scholarships based on their graduate program application.

  Fall 2023 Priority Application Deadline: March 1

• Scholarship decisions are made *after admissions decisions* and notifications are sent throughout the year

• Scholarships range from $500 - $2,500

  *After completing their first semester, returning students use the Spartan Scholarship System (S3) → uncg.academicworks.com*
Bryan School Graduate Assistantships (GAs)

Opportunity to earn a stipend by working on campus up to 18 hours/week

Example positions: Research Assistant, Marketing/Recruitment Assistant, Administrative Assistant

AVERAGE STIPEND: $3,500 per semester

These positions are limited and highly competitive

Fall Priority Application Deadline: March 1

2022-2023 Bryan School Graduate Assistantships

210 Requested
28 Awarded*
*including returning students

NOTE: Bryan School graduate assistantship decisions are made after admissions decisions and notifications are sent throughout the year.

For Bryan School GA’s
→ Apply through program application

For UNCG GA’s
→ After admission, apply through Spartan Talent

spartantalent.uncg.edu

BRYAN.UNCG.EDU
Other Employment Opportunities

• On-Campus Employment
  International students are also eligible to work in student-facing, on campus positions
  → Apply through Spartan Talent: spartantalent.uncg.edu
  → Apply through Handshake: handshake.uncg.edu (hourly positions)

  Example positions: Admin. Support Associate  Tech Support Technician  Shuttle Bus Driver

• Off-Campus Employment
  After one year of enrollment, international students may also be eligible for off-campus employment. More information is available on IPC website
External Scholarships

• Your Country’s Embassy
• Your Country’s Over-Seas Educational Advisors (OSEAS)
  https://educationusa.state.gov/find-advising-center
• American Communities Affiliated with your Country
  https://uncg.campuslabs.com/engage/organizations
• American Professional and Trade Associations
  Complete listing of professional and trade associations in the U.S.:
  http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_industry_trade_groups_in_the_United_States

[Download the Scholarship & Funding Search Guide from IPC]

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fastWEB! [fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com)

Peterson’s CollegeQuest [petersons.com/college-search.aspx](http://petersons.com/college-search.aspx)

CollegeNET MACH25 [collegenet.com/mach25/app](http://collegenet.com/mach25/app)

College Board [bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college)

Scholarships.com [scholarships.com/scholarship-search.aspx](http://scholarships.com/scholarship-search.aspx)

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Funding for Study in The United States [fundingusstudy.org](http://fundingusstudy.org)

International Student Voice Magazine [isvmag.com](http://isvmag.com)

International Student.com [internationalstudent.com/scholarships](http://internationalstudent.com/scholarships)

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Apply early for as many scholarships as possible. If you submit your application on the day before window closes, your application will still most likely get declined even though it was not late.

Apply for scholarships from professional organizations in your chosen field.

Apply for every available opportunity. You never know if you will get something unless you apply. As a grad student, I was happily surprised when I received a scholarship from a UNCG donor.
Advice from Current Students

Graduate Assistantships

Be proactive about cultivating relationships with faculty from your department and maintain excellent grades! These two things open students up to graduate assistantship opportunities which are really helpful in financing grad school.

Be sure to get a good understanding of exactly what you are getting from your department beforehand.

If you are eligible for an assistantship, how long is it guaranteed (with good performance)?

If you are receiving a scholarship, how much is available and if this amount will change based on number of students or if there is preference given to a certain demographic over another?

Remember, even though you may never use the resources on campus, you still have to pay all the fees, so account for that.
Advice from Current Students

UNCG undergraduate students

Take advantage of the accelerated master's program for UNCG undergraduate students. It helped me financially because I was paying for one class but the credit applied to both degrees. Another perk is that I get to graduate sooner.

Employer Funding Advice

Ask your employer if they will help fund your education.

Go to work for an employer who will pay for your education.
Advice from Current Students

*General*

Make a budget and use the payment plan option so the cost isn’t a shock to your wallet and savings.
Make a plan B in case you do not get the funding you expect.
Make a plan for paying tuition and fees before joining the program - it can be a combination of loans, scholarships, or any other means.
Explore your health insurance options to save money. I recommend the pay-as-you-go plan. It’s a very affordable option!
Only borrow what you need, even though it’s tempting to borrow the max, you do have to pay it back and it adds up quickly.
Loans are not necessarily a bad thing. They can also help supplement funds if you are doing full time classes and can’t work full time.
Make a plan for textbooks and material costs. Look into potential tax advantages of taking a loan.
Calculate your total out-of-pocket expenses for the program so you have a good idea of your costs.
Look into available tax credits for out of pocket expenses. The ROI makes going to UNCG sensible. It is a great investment.
This is one of the more affordable programs and the classes are excellent.
Information Resources

Bryan School Graduate Student Ambassadors: bryan.uncg.edu/bryan-school-graduate-student-ambassadors

Bryan Graduate Connections: bryan.uncg.edu/bryan-graduate-connections

Spartan Central: spartancentral.uncg.edu

Bryan School Academic Programs: bryan.uncg.edu/programs

UNC Genie: ssb-landing.uncg.edu

NC Residency Determination Service: ncrestidency.org

UNCG Financial Aid Office: fia.uncg.edu

UNCG Cashiers Office: csh.uncg.edu

UNCG Military-Affiliated Student Services Office: military.uncg.edu

Prodigy Finance: prodigyfinance.com/student-loans

S3 Spartan Scholarship System: uncg.academicworks.com

Spartan Talent: spartantalent.uncg.edu

Handshake: handshake.uncg.edu

International Programs Center (IPC): international.uncg.edu

IPC External Scholarship & Funding Search Guide
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