

# MEDPREP Tuition Waiver Guidelines

## Fall/Spring Semesters

Fall/Spring tuition waivers are awarded on the basis of scholarship and financial need for the academic year (fall and spring semesters). A spring-semester-only tuition waiver may be awarded if any become available.

### Eligibility

To be eligible, a student must be a post-baccalaureate undergraduate student enrolled in MEDPREP. He/she may not hold another University appointment which provides a tuition waiver. The student must demonstrate financial need based on the current FAFSA (Federal Application for Federal Student Aid) form on file with the Financial Aid Office at SIUC.

1. A continuing student must be in **good standing** in MEDPREP and have taken a minimum of **two science courses** totaling at least **four graded hours** during the last long (fall or spring) semester enrolled and have earned a minimum **2.5 GPA and 2.5 BCPM** in all courses for that term.
2. New students who entered in the summer must earn a minimum **2.5 GPA and 2.5 BCPM** for all summer courses in order to receive a tuition waiver awarded for the fall and spring semesters.
3. Course load, specific courses taken, and participation in support activities within the program will be considered in evaluating applications.
4. Students must be registered for the semester for which they are requesting a tuition waiver at the time of application review.

### Retention of Tuition Waiver

In order to keep the tuition waiver once it is awarded, the recipients must be enrolled in at least **one MEDPREP course** during each semester of the awarded waiver and complete a minimum of **eight graded hours** each semester during the academic year. At least **two graded science courses** must be taken each term. Additionally, students must be **physically in attendance** at SIUC and enrolled in a minimum of **two “brick-and-mortar” (on-campus, not online) courses**, as well as **MEDPREP Convocation**, for each semester they receive a tuition waiver. Students must remain in **good standing** in MEDPREP and earn a minimum **2.5 GPA and 2.5 BCPM** each semester. Fall semester recipients who meet all of the retention criteria will be awarded the waiver for the following spring semester without reapplication. Any new awards for the Spring Semester will be for the Spring Semester only.

### Application

The deadline for receiving all applications and financial information for fall/spring semester is **May 10**. If a student has previously held a tuition waiver, s/he may reapply for a waiver. If a student has lost a tuition waiver, s/he may reapply for a waiver only if eligibility has regained. Any applications received after the deadline will be considered for a special waiver for the spring semester only if any become available.

### Prioritization of Applicants

Applicants are prioritized into four applicant groups. The primary applicant group, consisting of continuing (second-year) students who have never received a MEDPREP waiver, will be considered first. Other applicants will be considered in the following order: The second applicant group consists of continuing students who have previously received waivers, with students having fewer waivers receiving priority. The third applicant group consists of newly-accepted (first year) students, with students having fewer waivers receiving priority. The final applicant group consists of students who have been granted a continuance in the program (third year students). Additional prioritization within applicant groups will be based on eligibility criteria as described above. Students who were awarded a tuition waiver previously but lost it due to not meeting retention criteria are allowed to reapply in subsequent award cycles if they have regained their eligibility.

### Award Notification

Students will be notified by e-mail upon the awarding of the tuition waiver. An acceptance form will be attached to the award announcement and must be returned to MEDPREP before the waiver becomes effective. Students who have been awarded a tuition waiver for a given term **MUST make the prepayment toward the tuition and fees for that term**. Once the award has been finalized, the prepayment will be applied toward the student's fees. **The tuition waiver does not cover any fees.**

# MEDPREP Fall/Spring Tuition Waiver Application

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)
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You may submit your completed application and upcoming academic year FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) in PDF format via email, U.S. mail, or in person to the address at left no later than May 10.

Please complete *all* information requested on this application.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Number, Street, Apartment			Email
City	State	ZIP	Telephone
Do you have a Bachelor's degree?		Have you ever been awarded a MEDPREP Tuition Waiver?	
<b>Yes</b>	<b>Degree:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>I currently hold a waiver.</b>
	<b>Institution:</b>		<b>I have previously held a waiver.</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>Expected graduation date:</b>		<b>I have never held a waiver.</b>
Do you have an upcoming academic year FAFSA on file with the SIUC Financial Aid Office?			Do you have a Statement of Selective Service Registration on file with the SIUC Financial Aid Office? (Available in the Forms section of the Financial Aid website, <a href="http://fao.siu.edu">http://fao.siu.edu</a> .)
<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b> <b>Yes</b>	
Do you hold another university appointment that provides a tuition waiver?			<b><i>If No, any financial aid awarded cannot be paid to you.</i></b>
<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>		
Do you or your parents currently have <i>private</i> (non-FAFSA) education loans?			
<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	If you wish to have the committee consider these loans, provide documentation from the lender(s) or financial aid office.	

Income Statement (Include financial assistance you will receive or employment you will hold during the term for which you are applying.)

Explain why you need/merit a tuition waiver. Please be concise and confine your explanation to the space below.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. I am fully aware that any intentional falsification of information contained herein may result in the denial of this application or loss of aid currently held. I realize, furthermore, that this waiver may be revoked if I fail to meet the designated requirements of being enrolled in MEDPREP, in maintaining the hour and grade requirements, and in being in academic good standing as specified in the guidelines for tuition waiver.

Signature and Date