

Approximate Cost for Students in the PTA Program

This cost sheet is provided to give prospective students information about the cost of the program and other expenses that may occur related to becoming a PTA. This approximate cost sheet is prepared for resident students and includes a variety of costs that are directly and indirectly related to the PTA program. Costs such as the licensure examination, professional membership dues, and convention expenses are not controlled or paid to MSC, but are included here to provide "as close as possible" a picture of costs that students may face as they complete the program and become licensed as a PTA. Any question about this information should be directed to the [PTA Program Director](#).

MURRAY STATE COLLEGE Physical Therapist Assistant Program

	Fall	Spring	Summer**	Fall	Spring	Summer	Total
College Hours	17	17	4	13	12	6	69
OK Resident - \$94.00/CH	\$1,598.00	\$1,598.00		\$1,222.00	\$1,128.00	\$564.00	\$6,110.00
Internet - \$102.00/CH			\$408.00				\$408.00
ID Card /Semester	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$60.00
Books (<i>estimate</i>)	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$500.00	\$550.00			\$1,950.00
Course Fees	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$35.00	\$350.00
PTA Student Liability Insurance				\$16.00			\$16.00
PTA Clinical Education Fee					\$938.00	\$938.00	\$1,876.00
PTA Supplies				\$150.00		\$30.00	\$180.00
APTA - OPTA Dues				\$90.00			\$90.00
OPTA Convention Expenses one day				\$75.00			\$75.00
Graduation Fee					\$40.00		\$40.00
PTA Exam Costs						\$765.00	\$765.00
	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Total
TOTAL COSTS	\$2,093.00	\$2,093.00	\$953.00	\$2,218.00	\$2,221.00	\$2,342.00	\$11,920.00

The area of cost indicated by BLUE above represent the technical year of the PTA program.

The estimate of total cost of the PTA technical year and PTA exam cost would be **\$7,734.00**

** Students may be eligible to take the courses listed here as summer in a fall intersession depending on anatomy pre-test performance. Additional information regarding each item above is located on the following pages.

Explanation of items listed in Cost Sheet:

- Oklahoma Resident Tuition & Fees = \$94.00 per credit hour and \$102 for internet based courses – This includes tuition and administrative fees. This would result in an “in-state student” paying \$6,518.00 for tuition. This would not include any additional courses that may be needed to prepare the student to take program prerequisite classes. For example, if a student had not had a full year of high school chemistry, they would need this to be prepared for Anatomy & Physiology class.
- Non-Resident Tuition & Fees = \$221.00 per credit hour – This includes tuition and administrative fees. This would result in an “out-of-state student” paying \$15,249.00. As stated above, this would not include any additional courses that may be needed to prepare the student to take program prerequisite classes. Murray State College does offer a waiver of non-resident tuition if a student meets the eligibility requirements for this waiver. Interested students should contact the Financial Aid Office.
 - The MSC Financial Aid Office. Our office is located in the Administration Building, Room 105. MSC offers a variety of grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships to help students meet the cost of attending MSC. Information collected from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will determine the amount of aid needed for each student. Our primary purpose is to provide counseling and prompt, courteous assistance to students and their parents in identifying, applying for, and receiving financial assistance to meet educational costs.

Contact Information

For information concerning the programs below, contact:

Financial Aid Office

One Murray Campus, Suite AD 105

Tishomingo, OK 73460

Phone: 580-371-2371 ext. 143

Email: mscfao@mscok.edu

- MSC ID cards are required of all students and a fee of \$10 per semester is charged.
- The cost of books is difficult to estimate as there are various sources for students to purchase books. The figures in this cost sheet are based on suggested retail costs provided by publishers. These costs are only an estimate. Book used during the technical portion of the program (second year) are selected with the understanding that students will use these books throughout their career.
- PTA Student Liability Insurance - Payment of student liability insurance must be paid at the beginning of the Fall Semester of the second year. This insurance will cover students through all three clinical experiences and is required before clinical placement.

Explanation of items listed in Cost Sheet: (continued)

- PTA Clinical Education Fee - This fee is required to provide for MSC faculty support and organization of the clinical education component of the program. This includes costs for the faculty to travel to sites to organize, set-up, and evaluate clinical sites. The fee is assessed to PTA 2152 & PTA 2243, which divides the cost between the two semesters in which students have full time clinical experiences. The management of an effective clinical education component requires extensive time and travel to sites to ensure that students have an opportunity for successful clinical experiences.
- PTA Course Fees - Two types of fees are charged in PTA courses. If the course has a lab component then a \$35.00 per course fee is charged to cover consumable items used by students in each course. On all other PTA courses, an accreditation fee of \$35.00 per course is charged. The accreditation fee is charged to students in all non-lab courses and currently covers approximately 1/4 of the total cost of maintaining accreditation.
- PTA Supplies - The additional PTA supplies listed in this section may not be required of every student. At times some clinical sites require specific items, such as a lab coat, scrubs, etc. These items are included in this estimated cost however this is not paid to directly to the program. Also included is a \$30 dollar exit examination fee to purchase a national licensure preparation exam. This will provide the student and the program with valuable information that will help them as they prepare for licensure examination.
- APTA - OPTA Dues - Joining APTA is voluntary for students, but is strongly encouraged. The benefits of belonging to the professional association are reviewed with the students in PTA 2112 and it is at this time that student who choose to join pay their dues of \$90.00. These dues are collected through the PTA program but are paid to APTA. Students receive publications and reduced rates on continuing education and state meetings.
- OPTA Convention Expenses-one day - Each student in the program is required to attend at least one APTA or OPTA meeting. The estimate of \$75.00 is to cover the expense of an in-state meeting. On several occasions in the history of the program, the class has elected to attend national meetings. Fund raising efforts were performed which made individual costs to the student vary. The college has supported the attendance of these national meetings by providing transportation costs, but this is dependent on location and numbers of students attending.

- PTA Exam Costs – Licensure exam costs occur following graduation and are not paid to MSC. The amount of \$765.00 includes the approximate cost of the licensure exam, on-line study prep program, and the cost to attend an exam review course provided by an outside group, but potentially organized through MSC. The cost of this program varies, but is in the range of \$180.00, plus transportation costs. Every attempt will be made to organize this course at our program to decrease the expense for those attending. A breakdown of these fees and who the fees are paid to is included below: (Fees subject to change without notice)

Fee	Amount	Made Payable to
Application Fee	\$ 125.00	Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision 5104 N. Francis Ave., Suite C Oklahoma City, OK 73118-6020 P.O. Box 18256 Oklahoma City, OK 73154-0256 Main Number - 405-848-6841 .. Fax - 405-848-8240
Extended Background Check	\$ 22.49	Trak-1 Technology Attn Board of Medical Licensure P.O. Box 720034 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73172
Licensing Test Fee	\$ 350.00	Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy 124 West Street South 3 rd Floor Alexandria, VA 22314
PEAT – PTA Exam Prep	\$ 70.00	
Testing Center Fee	\$ 40.00	Paid at the site on the day of test.

- PTA students provide their own transportation and/or may be required to furnish housing for on-sight clinical participation, lasting up to six weeks at one affiliation. Every attempt is made to meet student needs related to clinical placement, however the program places students based on their individual education need and past experience. Placement is at the discretion of the ACCE. The majority of clinical education placements are within the 10 county service area of Murray State College, however each student must be prepared to attend any assigned clinical experience.
- Students planning to live on campus in student dormitories need to check with the college for current dorm costs and room deposit fees.

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