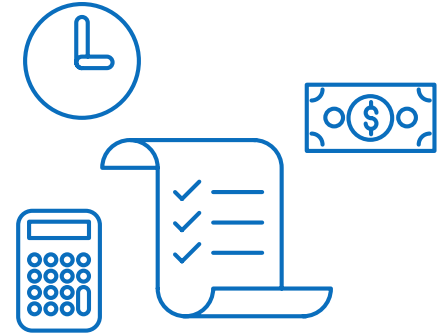


Understanding application fees & fee waivers



Application fees

An application fee is a payment you make to a college upon submitting your application. Each program in the Common App for transfer can choose their own application fee, and many programs don't charge a fee at all.

There are a few places within the Common App for transfer that list programs' application fee requirements:

Add programs

There are several basic requirements that are automatically displayed in this section, including application fees.

Did you know?

You can find programs that charge no fee in the Add Program tab of the application and at commonapp.org/explore.

Requirements Grid

The Requirements Grid lists out all the requirements (including application fees) for all colleges that use Common App. You can find this downloadable PDF in our Solutions Center.

Fee waivers

A fee waiver lets you apply to a college without paying an application fee. The Common App wants to make sure that application fees aren't a barrier for any student trying to submit an application. That's why we have the Common App Fee Waiver.

The Common App Fee Waiver will waive the application fee of any program you apply to through Common App.

You can find the Common App Fee Waiver in the Personal Information section. To apply for this fee waiver:

1. Answer “Yes” to the fee waiver statement.
2. Enter your signature to certify your request.

Keep in mind, the Common App Fee Waiver isn’t the only fee waiver available to you. Many colleges also offer their own application fee waiver, specific to their school. Be sure to check with each college to confirm their own fee waiver policies.

400+

colleges have no application fee for transfer students

45K+

transfer applicants received a fee waiver in 2022–2023

Need more information on application fees and fee waivers? Visit commonapp.org/help.