

Information for Students About the Totally and Permanently Disabled Fee Waiver At the University of Memphis

1. The fee waiver is valid for one calendar year, whether or not it is used each semester. Recipients of this fee waiver must reapply each year. Example: Recipients who receive the fee waiver for Spring, Summer and Fall semesters must reapply prior to the start of the Spring semester the following year.

2. Information about fee waivers is found on the Bursar's website:

https://www.memphis.edu/usbs/discounts_waivers_ta/index.php

Click on: "Tuition Waivers"

Click on: "Programs for Persons with Disabilities" and you will see the following: "Totally and

Permanently Disabled with Audit Only or Credit Course (s) options

Enrollment for audit or credit is limited according to space availability. To qualify for the "tuition reduction" in this program, participants must annually complete an application available at Disability Resources for Students (WT 110), **may not be sponsored by a Vocational Rehabilitation program**, and **may not register before the specific deadline for each semester**. Application date must be no more than 6 months older than renewal date. Your renewal date is

Totally and Permanently Disabled – Audit Only

Tennessee residents who are totally and permanently disabled, and who are incapacitated from working at an income producing occupation, may AUDIT courses without paying tuition charges. These charges may include the following: maintenance fees, program services fees, and special course fees for Business, Fine Art, Engineering, Law or Nursing Programs. Regents Online Degree Program courses may not be audited.

Totally and Permanently Disabled – Credit Courses

Tennessee Residents who are totally and permanently disabled and incapacitated from working at an income producing occupation, may enroll in courses for **CREDIT** at the cost of one-half the normal per credit hour fee, not to exceed \$ 70.00 per semester. These charges include maintenance fees and program services fees. **Fees NOT included** in this fee waiver include, but are not limited to, Fine Art course fees, Business Course fees, Engineering course fees, UM online program fees, RODP online program fees and materials fees for courses which require an additional fee. In addition, undergraduate students who are enrolled in 12 or more course hours, with at least one course on campus, will automatically have \$300 in Dining Dollars charges each fall and spring semester.

AFTER COURSE SELECTION, participants must contact Student Accounts, (678-3343) for applicable fee waivers prior to the appropriate fee payment deadline to avoid a \$ 100 late payment fee and course registration being subject to cancellation.

To the treating physician of _____
(name of patient)

(date of birth)

Pursuant to TCA § 49-7-113:

“Disabled persons suffering from a **permanent total disability that totally incapacitates the person from working at an occupation which brings the person an income, . . .** may be enrolled in courses for credit at state supported college and universities without payment of tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees or registration fees, except that the . . . board of regents of the state university . . . system may provide for a service fee that may be charged by the institutions under their respective jurisdictions, the fee to be for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of keeping the records of such students and not to exceed . . .seventy dollars (\$70.00) a semester.”

The University of Memphis requires students applying for the fee waiver show eligibility by completing this form for initial eligibility and then submitting a newly completed form once per year on the anniversary of the initial eligibility. Students are also required to submit the TPD Request Form to the USBS Office <https://umwa.memphis.edu/topdesk/index.php/usbs/index> after course selection to have the TPD Waiver applied to tuition fees prior to the fee deadline to avoid deletion of classes. The treating physician must certify that the student meets these criteria. The above named student is requesting attendance at the University of Memphis under this program. If, in your professional opinion, your patient meets the above criteria, please sign the attached certification. If you have any questions, please contact me at 678-2880.

Sincerely,

Tara Buchannan
Director
Disability Resources for Students

Enclosure

CERTIFICATION OF PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITY
To be filled out by Medical or Health Care Provider
Please type your answers directly into this form.

When the form is completed, please print and sign it. The completed and signed form can be sent directly from the professional practitioner to Disability Resources for Students (DRS) by fax to 901-678-3070 or email to drs@memphis.edu, or it can be given to the student to submit to DRS.

I, _____, do hereby certify as follows:
(treating physician)

1. I have knowledge of the facts set forth hereinafter, which are true and correct
to my personal and professional knowledge and belief.

2. I am the treating physician for _____
(patient)
_____ and am aware of his/her medical condition.
(patient's date of birth)

3. _____ has a permanent total disability.
(patient)

4. The permanent total disability totally incapacitates _____
(patient)
from working at an occupation which brings him/her an income.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(treating physician)

Office Phone: _____

Office Address: _____