



Program Costs

Estimated costs for the current internship year are

Tuition \$12,000

Tuition to the internship or for the GP Supervised Experiential Learning is paid in installments with the first payment due approximately one month after acceptance to the GP or the DI. The balance is to be paid off approximately three weeks prior to orientation. Other payment plans are available. Accepted interns / students will receive communication with specific due dates and amounts after the ACEND-designated Decision Day. Tuition can be paid via personal check, money order, or credit card with no additional fee.

Application Fee

\$50

The Sodexo Dietetic Internship accepts only credit card payments for the application fee. Details on how to pay for the application are posted under Application Process.

Orientation Fee \$500

Covers daily meal costs for breakfast, lunch, and snacks during orientation week, as well as conference room related costs. This fee is only in effect for an on-site orientation. See “Upcoming Orientation” on the Program Information page for updates.

Orientation Travel and Lodging \$500 - \$1000

This will vary depending on travel to orientation and lodging choices. To save on lodging costs it is recommended that you share a hotel room. Sometimes students and interns share an Airbnb. See “Upcoming Orientation” on the Program Information page for additional details.

Criminal Background Check \$25 - \$75 average

This is dependent on the state, or states lived in, the number of addresses and number of names. It can be as high as \$300. Additional background checks may need to be conducted specifically for supervised practice sites.

Drug Screen \$10 - \$250

This cost varies depending on health insurance coverage.

Lab Coats or Scrubs, non-slip work shoes, PPE \$50-\$250

This cost varies depending on individual hospital requirements.

Textbooks & Supplies \$200-\$300

Transportation/Parking Free - \$100/Month

The internship does not cover travel costs. These costs will vary geographically.

Living Expenses Geographically variable

Technology Expenses \$500+

Computer and MS office or compatible applications.

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Membership \$58

for Student Membership. Membership required.

Dietetic Practice Group Membership \$25 to \$40

Cost varies, optional to join.

Pre-program Physical Exam and Medical Insurance Variable

This is dependent on insurance coverage. Health insurance coverage is mandatory.

Liability insurance \$0

Provided by Sodexo.

Verification of Intern Identity \$0

Provided by Sodexo.

Hospital on-boarding costs \$75 to \$350 varies

Specific supervised practice sites have different on-boarding requirements before placement may begin

- **Criminal Background Check:** additional background check may need to be conducted within 30 days of starting the rotation.
- **Drug Screen:** additional drug screens may need to be conducted 14 – 30 days prior to starting the rotation.
- **COVID – 19 screens:** COVID screens may need to be conducted 7 – 14 days prior to starting the rotation. Plan ahead. Results may take 3 – 6 days to be received; consider rapid test when available and when allowed.
- **Hospital on-boarding paperwork process:** there may be a fee for the hospital to process required on-boarding paperwork and completing on-line orientation materials.

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**\$50 for first application,
an additional \$25 per application thereafter.**

Additional Fee* - Track 1 INFA Certification \$325

***This fee [only applies](#) to interns/students who choose our Integrative Track Specialty Rotation.**

Financial Aid

Financial aid / student loans are available **only** to those who have been accepted into the University of Rhode Island / Sodexo Graduate Program or the MS option. Students can borrow up to \$60,000 through the University of Rhode Island financial aid department. The funds can be used to cover the costs of the internship tuition, URI tuition, and some living expenses.

If you have student loans from prior to admission to the internship, a loan forbearance may be available for interns completing the internship supervised practice. A loan deferment may be available for students completing the GP.

Sodexo provides several scholarships annually. See **Scholarship Information** on the website's **Program Information** page.