**Midwifery Program Costs**

Tuition and fees include but are not necessarily limited to the following:

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<th>Cost Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Application Fee (non-refundable)</td>
<td>$75</td>
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<td>Enrollment Fee (non-refundable)</td>
<td>$200</td>
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<td>Registration Fee (non-refundable)</td>
<td>$60</td>
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<td>Technology Fee</td>
<td>$40</td>
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<td>Tuition – Academic Credit</td>
<td>$512</td>
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<td>Tuition – Clinical Training Credit</td>
<td>$240</td>
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<td>Client Care Documentation Book fee</td>
<td>$30</td>
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<td>Client Care Documentation Verification</td>
<td>$200</td>
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<td>LD &amp; D Graduation Testing Fees</td>
<td>see LD&amp;D TESTING</td>
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<td>Graduation Fee</td>
<td>$150</td>
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<td>Coursepack and Lab Fees vary by course.</td>
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Tuition and fees are subject to annual increases. Historically, these increases have usually been between 3% and 10%. The College reserves the right to increase tuition by up to 20% in any given year, as needed.

Costs in the following table are an estimate based upon the current recommended course sequence using 2017-18 tuition and fee costs, and coursepack, lab, text, and equipment costs from previous academic year. Actual individual costs may vary. This estimate does not include costs associated with obtaining general education requirements for the degree program, as these courses are transferred in from approved, outside institutions.

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<th>Tuition &amp; Fees</th>
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<td>First Year</td>
<td>$22,230</td>
<td>$1,644</td>
<td>$23,874</td>
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<td>Second Year</td>
<td>$23,272</td>
<td>$721</td>
<td>$23,993</td>
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<td>Third Year</td>
<td>$25,044</td>
<td>$717</td>
<td>$25,761</td>
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<td>Total (estimate)</td>
<td>$70,546</td>
<td>$3,082</td>
<td>$73,628</td>
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Please note that Birthingway tuition is the same regardless of where the student lives or is from. We do not differentiate between in-state and out-of-state residents.

**Lunch Costs**

You are expected to take a turn in providing lunch for your entire core class, approximately once every four to six weeks, depending on size of the cohort group. See LUNCH.

**Midwifery Equipment**

You are required to provide your own midwifery equipment for certain courses.

- First Year Equipment
  - ADC Diagnostic 700 aneroid Latex-free adult blood pressure unit
  - Stethoscope
  - Safety goggles
  - Economy fetoscope
  - Miltex reflex hammer
  - Digital thermometer
  - Notoco pocket otoscope
  - Retractable tape measure (inches and centimeters)
  - Gestational calculator wheel
  - Flexible pelvis model (10.5” x 7” x 7.7”)
  - Fetal model (19” long)
  - Placenta/cord/amnion/chorion model
  - Perineal cloth model (5’ x 6.5”)
• Suturing
  ◦ Mayo Hegar 6” needle holder (Miltex)
  ◦ Russian forceps 6” (Miltex)
  ◦ Rochester pean straight forceps 6.25” (Vantage)
  ◦ Rochester pean curved forceps 6.25” (Vantage)
  ◦ Spencer stitch scissors 3.5” (Vantage)
  ◦ Operating scissors blunt-blunt 5.5” (Vantage)

Equipment kits can be purchased through the College or purchased individually from other sources. Prices of equipment vary based on the quality of the equipment and where it is purchased. Estimated costs for required equipment are included in the Texts and Equipment amounts listed above.

You are not required to own a computer.

Non-Institutional Expenses Near Graduation
Graduates may find they incur a variety of different expenses at or after graduation, including but not limited to, the cost to sit for the North American Registry of Midwives (NARM) certification exam, state licensure fees, costs associated with starting an independent midwifery practice, and student loan repayment. We recommend that you speak to the Midwifery Program Coordinator and/or the Financial Aid Officer to help you plan for these types of expenses.

Midwifery Program Policies

Cohort Year / Catalog Year
Each cohort is required to complete the graduation requirements defined in the catalog for their matriculation year. For example, if you matriculate in spring 2017, you must complete the program graduation requirements from the 2017-2018 Student Handbook and Catalog. This includes completing all the courses listed in the recommended course sequence.

Birthingway will offer the exact courses, or their equivalent, necessary to meet the graduation requirements in your recommended course sequence each year during the three consecutive core years beginning with and following your matriculation year. Failure to follow the recommended course sequence may result in difficulty registering for courses at a later date. Birthingway cannot guarantee that required courses will be available in the same format three years after matriculation. For example, some courses may increase in credit value.

Although you will still be able to complete requirements defined at your matriculation, it may be necessary for you to attend longer courses, portions of different courses, or to complete special testing or individual projects in order to meet your original graduation requirements.

If you do not register for your core classes every term, you will lose your guaranteed place in core.

Joining a New Core/Cohort
The circumstances in which you may join a new core/cohort include, but are not limited to:
• taking leave from one or more core courses for three or more consecutive terms;
• missing courses that fulfill prerequisites for future courses; and/or
• receiving a Withdrawn in at least one core course before taking leave from core.

For information on taking leave from core, see LEAVE FROM MIDWIFERY CORE. See also LEAVE OF ABSENCE in the general institutional policies section.

The Petition to Join a New Cohort form is available from the Midwifery Program Coordinator. The form must include a letter, and any additional supporting information or documentation, addressing the following:

1. Why you are requesting to join a new core/cohort.
2. How the reasons for your leave or need to join a new core/cohort have been remediated or resolved.
3. What plans you have made to ensure successful completion of the Midwifery Program.

Birthingway will form a committee with three staff and/or faculty members to review the petition. If denied entry into a new core/cohort, you may appeal the original decision. See APPEAL PROCESS.