



College Cost Comparison

These are actual cost comparisons for real students looking to save money on their degree. Names have been changed to preserve anonymity.

Mary T.

32, Virginia, Looking to go back to school

Mary started her degree in the past, but never finished. She is looking to earn her Bachelor's degree in business and has prior credits. She is also a mother, so she wants to finish her degree completely online.

	Rutgers University Online	Brandman University	University of Maryland University College	University of Phoenix	Thomas Edison State University
Degree Program	BA in Business Administration	BBA in General Business	BS in Business Administration	BS in Business	BS in Business Administration
Tuition Per Credit	\$550	\$500	\$499	\$415	\$327
Book Costs & Fees Per Credit	\$150	\$50	\$51	\$59	\$50
Cost Per Credit	\$700	\$550	\$550	\$474	\$377
Credits Transferred	18	18	18	18	18
Online/Campus/Hybrid	Online	Online	Online	Online	Online
Total Cost of Degree (without Lumerit)	\$71,400	\$56,100	\$56,100	\$48,382	\$38,488
Potential Savings Through Global Digital Classroom	\$21,000	\$19,950	\$25,200	\$19,752	\$15,622
Total Cost of Degree (with Lumerit)	\$50,400	\$36,150	\$30,900	\$28,630	\$22,866
Time to Completion in Years (at 30 credits per year/full-time pace)	3.4 years	3.4 years	3.4 years	3.4 years	3.4 years

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Steph G.

18, Texas, High School Senior

Steph is looking for a degree in psychology or biology, and is open to both on campus and online options. She is a high school senior with no prior college credits.

University of Houston

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Liberty University Online

Waldorf University

Thomas Edison State University

Degree Program	BS in Psychology	BS in Biology	BS in Psychology	BA in Psychology	BA in Biology
Tuition Per Credit	\$337	\$337	\$390	\$290	\$327
Book Costs & Fees Per Credit	\$85	\$101	\$50	\$0	\$50
Cost Per Credit	\$423	\$438	\$440	\$290	\$377
Credits Transferred	0	0	0	0	0
Online/Campus/Hybrid	Online	Campus	Online	Online	Hybrid
Total Cost of Degree (without Lumerit)	\$50,712	\$52,600	\$52,800	\$34,800	\$45,280
Potential Savings Through Global Digital Classroom	\$14,692	\$6,435	\$23,355	\$9,126	\$18,081
Total Cost of Degree (with Lumerit)	\$36,020	\$46,165	\$29,445	\$25,674	\$27,199
Time to Completion in Years (at 30 credits per year/full-time pace)	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years

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Dan S.

20, Pennsylvania, High School Graduate

Dan graduated high school a few years ago, but took a job instead of going to college. Now, he wants to earn his degree in management by going on campus to an in-state school. Because he didn't go to college immediately, he has no prior credits.

	University of Pennsylvania	Penn State University	Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Grove City College	Liberty University Online
Degree Program	BS in Management	BS in Management	BS in Management	BS in Management	BS Business Administration
Tuition Per Credit	\$1,581	\$637	\$300	\$575	\$390
Book Costs & Fees Per Credit	\$254	\$65	\$155	\$33	\$50
Cost Per Credit	\$1,834	\$701	\$455	\$608	\$440
Credits Transferred	0	0	0	0	0
Online/Campus/Hybrid	Campus	Campus	Campus	Campus	Online
Total Cost of Degree (without Lumerit)	\$220,136	\$84,152	\$54,583	\$77,883	\$52,800
Potential Savings Through Global Digital Classroom	\$88,261	\$30,076	\$13,253	\$19,606	\$23,580
Total Cost of Degree (with Lumerit)	\$131,875	\$54,076	\$41,330	\$58,277	\$29,220
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