

UHIP – University Health Insurance Plan

Health insurance protection

for international residents studying at participating universities in Ontario, Canada

Fast Facts

1. What is a health insurance plan?
In Ontario there is a health plan called the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP). This plan covers a variety of medical services and is available to Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents.
2. What plan covers international students?
International students are covered by the MANDATORY University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP). This plan offers many of the same benefits as OHIP.
3. What is UHIP?
The University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) was created to offer affordable insurance to pay the cost of the hospital and medical services that you and your family might need to maintain your health while at a participating university in Ontario.
4. Why do I need UHIP?
The cost of medical services including doctors' visits and hospital stays are very expensive. Everyone living in Ontario has to have health care coverage.
5. How do I get UHIP?
The current UHIP premium will be included in your tuition fees.
6. How do I prove coverage when accessing medical services?
You will receive a card that you must show whenever receiving any medical services.
7. Do I need to take anything else with me?
You should pick up a few CLAIM FORMS and carry some with you at all times. Upon each visit to a doctor or health care professional you will be required to show your UHIP card and give them a claim form. [Claim forms](#) are available in Room 157, Mother St. James Building or may also be downloaded from the [UHIP web page](#)
8. When do I get my card?
Cards are available from the first day of classes. Sept 4th 2008.
9. How do I get the card?
**Cards are available from the office of the International Program Coordinator, Room 157, Mother St. James Building.
Drop in or contact Christina Lord at
(519) 432-8353 x 28012 or clord3@uwo.ca**
10. Will I receive medical service without a card?
Medical service will be given but you will be responsible for payment when services are received if you have no insurance.
11. What if I loose my card?
It is extremely difficult to get a replacement so keep it in a safe place. If you do loose it, contact Christina Lord as soon as possible.
12. What does UHIP cost?
The cost of UHIP for 2008-2009 is \$756 for full year undergraduate students. This is included in your tuition fee.
13. If my spouse/ family are joining me, are they covered on my card?
NO. You will have to fill out an application and pay the fee for them. The cost for dependants for 2008-2009 is: \$1296 for a full year single coverage; and \$2592 for full year family coverage and should be registered from the date they arrive in Canada and until the end of your study period.
14. What if I am a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident living outside Canada?
You are required to have UHIP for 3 months. After 3 months you will qualify for OHIP. At that time you will be reimbursed a portion of your fee.
15. How do I get additional information about UHIP?
Contact: [Christina Lord, International Program Coordinator, Room 157, Mother St. James Building.](#)
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