Reduced Out-of-State Tuition Options

There are two key ways to reduce the cost of college when you decide to attend a college in another Midwest state.

Reciprocity

Minnesota has agreements with several neighboring states to provide lower tuition for Minnesota residents who attend public colleges and universities in those states. This is called **reciprocity**. Typically, non-resident admission fees and tuition are reduced (or eliminated) if you're a reciprocity student.

Minnesota has reciprocity agreements with Wisconsin, North Dakota and South Dakota. It also has an agreement with the Canadian province of Manitoba and a limited agreement with Iowa Lakes Community College in northwestern Iowa.

The programs with Wisconsin, North Dakota and South Dakota cover virtually all full- or part-time students enrolled in undergraduate, graduate and some professional programs.

To learn more about tuition reciprocity, visit www.getreadyforcollege.org/reciprocity.

Midwest Student Exchange Program

Students from Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and Wisconsin may be eligible for tuition reductions at certain Midwest public and private colleges and universities and programs of study. Not all schools participate.

Minnesota residents interested in a Wisconsin or North Dakota public school and Wisconsin or North Dakota residents interested in a Minnesota public school must apply for tuition reciprocity rather than the Midwest Student Exchange Program.

What Rate Do I Pay?

Students in the Midwest Student Exchange Program pay up to 150 percent of the resident tuition rate (which is still below the non-resident rate) at participating public schools or receive a 10 percent reduction in tuition at participating private schools.

When applying to a participating school, students must indicate that they are seeking admission as a Midwest Student Exchange Program student. The institution will evaluate the student's request for this status and respond directly to the student.

Where Can I Get More Information?

A brochure listing eligible colleges, universities and programs of study is distributed to high schools. Information is also available from the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (**msep.mhec.org**).