

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### About the Dependent Partial Tuition Waiver (DPTW)

1. What costs are covered by this tuition waiver?

The waiver benefit is a 50% reduction in the cost of residential tuition. In no case may registration, course fees or any other fee be waived.

2. Are faculty eligible if they are on a 9-month academic year contract?

Yes, all employees on the Montana University System payroll who meet the eligibility requirements may take advantage of this benefit. Academic year contracts are eligible if the other service requirements are met.

3. How do I know if my child or stepchild is a qualified dependent?

Your child or stepchild must be unmarried, must not have reached the age of 25, and must be claimed as a dependent for federal tax purposes during the calendar year that includes the first day of the semester during which the tuition waiver is utilized.

4. Does the waiver apply to students at all undergraduate levels?

Yes, the waiver may be used for any certificate program, two-year degree or to obtain a first undergraduate degree at any unit of the Montana University System.

5. Does the partial tuition waiver cover graduate course work?

No, the waiver may not be used to obtain a graduate degree.

6. Will this waiver be rescinded if I terminate employment before the end of the academic term for which my dependent is receiving it?

Yes, an employee must remain employed at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  time the entire academic term in which the waiver is utilized.

7. Can this waiver be used to take online course work?

Yes, if the online course is for credit and per credit hour tuition is charged for the online course.