



Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees must be paid before classes begin.

This requirement will be waived for students who have been certified for a PELL grant or continued financial aid/scholarship. The College reserves the right to revise the Tuition/Fee Schedule at the beginning of any Academic Term. The Tuition/Fee Schedule will be listed in the Schedule of Classes for each Academic Term.

EACC has contracted with FACTS, a tuition management company, to offer students a convenient method to arrange payment schedules and pay tuition in installments. The cost to use the FACTS tuition payment plan is \$25.00 a semester. Under this plan, payments of tuition and fees must be made by pre-arranged bank drafts or by pre-arranged credit card charges. To complete a payment plan and to schedule pre-arranged tuition payments, visit www.eacc.edu/e-cashier.htm or complete an agreement at the EACC Business Office.

Various payment schedules may be viewed online.

Tuition and Fees Schedule

Credit Courses (2008-2009):

Sem Credit Hrs	In-County ¹	In-State	Out-of-State
1 - 14	\$55/hour	\$63 /hour	\$77/hour
15 or more	\$825	\$945	\$1,155

(A \$5 per credit hour building-use fee (maximum \$75) and a \$3 per credit hour technology fee (maximum \$45) will be added for classes.

Residency in St. Francis County for tuition purposes is dependent upon (1) satisfaction of the State Residency requirements and (2) establishment of residency in St. Francis County six months prior to registration. Proof of this residency can be satisfied by presenting to the Director of Admission and Registration a copy of the tax assessment statement from the county assessor.

“No student shall be admitted to a state-supported college or university in Arkansas and be classified as an ‘instate’ student for student fee purposes unless he or she is a bona fide domiciliary of Arkansas and has resided in this state in that status for at least six (6) consecutive months prior to the beginning of the term or semester for which the fees are to be paid.” The student is responsible for supplying proof of residency. A statement, in full, of the requirements is available in the Office Admissions and Registration. Students who misrepresent residency may be suspended. For dependent students, the residency of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be used to determine the appropriate tuition.

Non-Credit Courses: Fees generally range from \$5 to \$100.

Late Registration Fee: \$10

Credit by Experience or Exam: \$20 per credit hour

Graduation Fee: \$25

Special Fees: As listed within each course description or program requirements.

Testing Fees: Varies depending on type of testing.

Transcript Fee: \$2

Distance Learning Fee: (per course) \$30

Tuition Waivers/Discounts

Arkansas residents 60 years of age and older may attend CREDIT classes tuition free when taking classes for credit and on a space-available basis. Students 60+ will be required to pay all additional fees. Students aged 50-59 will receive a 50% tuition discount for CREDIT classes taken for credit. All students enrolled in CREDIT classes are required to pay a building-use fee of \$5 per credit hour, a \$3 per credit hour technology fee, and any special fees.

St. Francis County public school employees and their dependents qualify for a 50 percent reduction in tuition for credit classes when taken for credit.

Refund Policy: No refunds of student tuition/fees will be made unless a student OFFICIALLY withdraws through the Office of Admissions. Full refunds are given only if a student officially drops or withdraws before the first day of the semester. If a refund is due to a student receiving financial aid from the PELL GRANT program, a portion of the refund shall be returned to the PELL GRANT program in accordance with federal regulations. **Students who fail to follow the proper withdrawal procedures will be responsible for tuition once classes begin. Failure to attend classes does not constitute an official drop/withdrawal.**

No refunds are given for drops, withdrawals or non-attendance after the 11th day of a spring/fall semester or after the 11th day equivalent of a summer term.

Refund Schedule:

Credit Courses- Spring & Fall Semester

Prior to First Day of Semester	100%
First Day of Classes Through 11th Class Day	80%
After the 11th Class Day	NONE

Credit Courses- Summer

Prior to First Day of Semester	100%
First Day of Classes Through 4th Class Day	50%
After 4th Class Day	NONE

FEDERAL RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS POLICY

Effective October 07, 2000, Fall Semester, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 change the formula for calculating the amount of aid a student & school can return when the student totally withdraws from all classes, or stop attending all of his or her classes prior to completing at least 60% of the semester.

The Federal Government requires if a student withdraws or stop attending prior to the 60% point in the semester then the school or the student may be required to return a portion of the tuition, fees, & books (Institutional Charges) paid to EACC for the semester. The federal formula is applicable to a student receiving federal aid other than Federal Work Study if that student withdraws on or before the 60% point in time in the semester.

The Institutional Charges must be returned to the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), and refer the matter to the Department of Education.

The Federal Government regulations also specify the order in which monies will be returned to the aid programs and the student.

ALLOCATING A PORTION OF THE RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS TO STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

The college must distribute the Return of Title IV Funds in the following order:

1. Federal Direct Stafford/Federal Direct Plus Loans
2. Federal Pell Grant
3. Federal Supplemental Education Grant (FSEOG)
4. Other Title IV Programs (State Student Incentive Grant)
5. Other Federal, State, Private Aid Programs
6. The Student

RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS TO FEDERAL PROGRAMS

When Title IV students officially withdraw or stop attending classes without officially withdrawing, refunds to federal programs are calculated. The percentage of Title IV aid to be returned is equal to the number of calendar days remaining in the semester divided by the number of calendar days in the semester. Schedule breaks of more than four consecutive days are excluded.

If Student Withdraws: First Day of Classes	FEDERAL RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS POLICY (EARNED AID)	FEDERAL RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS POLICY (UNEARNED AID)
Within week 1	7.3%	92.7%
Within week 2	13.8%	86.2%
Within week 3	20.2%	79.8%
Within week 4	26.6%	73.4%
Within week 5	33.0%	67.0%
Within week 6	39.4%	60.6%
Within week 7	45.9%	54.1%
Within week 8	51.4%	48.6%
Within week 9	57.8%	42.2%
After week 9	60%	100%

EXAMPLE: In general, the new law assumes that students “earn” their Federal financial aid awards directly in proportion to the number of days of the term they attended. For example, a student who withdraws completing only 40% of the term will have “earned” only 40% of any Title IV aid received. The school and/or the student must return the remaining 60% to the U.S. Department of Education.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS WILL DETERMINE THE RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS METHOD TO BE USED FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE.