

FEES AND EXPENSES

Students enrolling at Arkansas Tech University are assessed tuition and fees to cover the costs of instruction and other student services common to a university setting. Additionally, certain courses requiring individual instruction or special facilities carry fees which are listed with the course description.

Students enrolling for twelve or more semester hours of undergraduate courses for the fall or spring semester are considered full-time. Tuition is assessed for each course at the appropriate credit-hour rate according to residency for full-time and part-time students. In-state tuition is \$138 per credit hour (\$276 per credit hour for out-of-state students) for the first twelve credit hours. An additional \$38 per credit hour (\$76 for out-of-state students) will be assessed for credit hours in excess of twelve. Up to \$9.30 per credit hour (\$18.60 per credit hour for out-of-state students) of the tuition fee for courses taken during the fall and spring semesters will be allocated to athletics.

Full-time students enrolled for the fall or spring semester are assessed a \$25 student activity fee (students enrolled for summer I and summer II are assessed a \$5 student activity fee), a \$50 technology fee, a \$5 publications fee, a \$3 per credit hour instructional support fee, a \$10 assessment fee, and a \$5 transcript fee. Students registering for fewer than twelve semester hours during the fall or spring semester will be charged a \$3 per credit hour instructional support fee, a \$10 assessment fee, a \$50 technology fee, a \$5 activity fee, and a \$5 transcript fee which entitles them to a photo ID card and admission to all University-sponsored activities on the same basis as full-time students.

All fees and charges to students are set by the University's Board of Trustees. Every attempt is made to establish charges in time to appear in the catalog; however, when this is not possible, estimated charges are shown. **The University reserves the right to change fees and charges at any time if conditions necessitate or permit the change.**

Total University charges for instate residents for the school year (twelve hours fall and spring semesters) are estimated as follows:

Tuition (based on 12 credit hours)	\$3,312
Student Activity, publications, technology, assessment, and transcript fees	190
Instructional Support Fee (\$3.00 per credit hour)	72
Room and board:	
Residence Hall with Meal plan (average)	3,725
University Commons Apartments	from 3,186 to 3,950
Books and supplies (estimated)	800

Tuition for courses taken during summer and mini-sessions will be assessed at the appropriate credit-hour rate for each course. A \$10 assessment fee, a \$5 transcript fee, a \$5 activity fee (Summer I and II only) a \$3 per credit hour instructional support fee, and a \$50 technology fee are also assessed each summer and mini-session.

Tuition, fees, and one-fourth of the room and board charges for on campus students are due and payable prior to the beginning of each term. The balance of room and board charges may be paid in three monthly installments. An alternative payment plan is offered via the web site: <http://stuacct.s.atu.edu>.

Fees and Charges

Prices quoted are rates currently in place for the 2004-2005 academic year. All rates are subject to change as necessary.

Undergraduate tuition ^{1,2}	Instate	Out-of-State
Full-time (12 credit hours per semester)	\$1,656	\$3,312
Each credit hour over 12	38	76
Summer and part-time (per credit hour)	138	276
Graduate tuition ^{1,2} (per credit hour)	146	292
Instructional support fee (per credit hour)	3	3
Student activity fee		
Full-time students (fall and spring)	25	25
Part-time and summer students	5	5
Publications fee (required fall and spring semesters)		
Full-time students	5	5
Technology fee (required each semester or term)	50	50
Assessment fee (required each semester or term)	10	10
Transcript fee (required each semester or term)	5	5
International Student service fee		
Per semester (fall/spring)	30	
Per summer term (five-week)	15	
Per mini-term	10	
Residence Hall Board Charges		
19 meal-per-week plan	828	
15 meal-per-week + \$100 Declining Balance Dollars	906	
165 meals + \$100 Declining Balance Dollars	857	
145 meals + \$130 Declining Balance Dollars	857	
106 meals + \$150 Declining Balance Dollars	827	
Residence Hall Room Charges		
Brown, Caraway, and Massie Halls	935	
Jones, Roush, and Turner Halls	935	
Paine and Summit Halls		
Double Room	1,225	
Single Room	1,575	
University Commons Apartments		
2 bedroom apartments	1,975	
4 bedroom apartments	1,593	
Graduation fee	25	
Late registration fee	25	
Adding/dropping courses	10	
Returned check	10	
Replacement of ID card	25	
Post office box rent (required of students living in university housing)	10	
Auto registration	20	

Parking fees and fines (see Traffic Regulations)
(All students parking on campus must have parking permits.)

¹Students who enroll for undergraduate and graduate courses will be charged according to the student's classification.

²Required course fees are listed along with the appropriate course descriptions.

Estimated Living Expenses

All students living in residence halls are required to purchase a meal plan; Declining Balance Dollars (DCB) may be used in Chambers Cafeteria, Doc Bryan Food Court, and Convenience Store.

The room and board charge for students living in residence halls includes basic telephone service. Payment for room and board is due and payable prior to the beginning of the semester. Students may, however, arrange to make four equal payments--one prior to the beginning of the semester and one by the 15th of each month. Room and board charges are subject to change.

When space permits, students may be allowed single occupancy of a residence hall room. The additional charge of \$350 per semester is payable in full upon receipt of the monthly statement.

Residence halls are closed between fall and spring semesters. However, students may remain in the residence halls during all other breaks, provided they notify the residence hall staff of their intentions prior to the break period.

University Commons apartments are available to upper-class students. No board plan is required, and students are able to sign a nine-month or twelve-month contract. Two bedroom and four bedroom apartments are available.

Tuition and all other fees and charges, including room and board charges for students in residence halls, are due and payable prior to the beginning of each term at the Student Accounts Office, in the Doc Bryan Student Services Center, Office 133. Financial settlement, which consists of tuition, fees, and at least one-fourth of room and board, may be made by personal payment or **authorized** financial aid (loans, scholarships, grants, third parties, etc.). Visa, Master Card, and Discover credit cards are accepted for all charges. An alternative payment plan is offered via the web site: <http://stuacct.s.u.edu> Registration is not complete until all financial obligations have been met satisfactorily. Failure to make financial settlement may result in cancellation of the class schedule.

The student identification number is assigned as the student's account number for billing purposes. An alternate nine digit number will be assigned as the student identification number upon written request to the Registrar's Office. Monthly billing statements are payable upon receipt. Invoices for preregistration are mailed approximately thirty days prior to the first day of class. Students must return the top portion of the preregistration invoice along with applicable payment by the due date.

Students with delinquent accounts are not eligible for food service, transcripts, recommendations, advance registration, or readmission to any term. Collection fees for outstanding debts owed to the University may be assessed to the student.

The University reserves the right to amend or add to the regulations of the institution, including those concerning charges and methods of payment, and to make such changes applicable to students enrolled in the University, as well as to new students.

Students officially withdrawing from the University by the end of the fifth day of the semester in a summer term, as listed in the "Academic Calendar" on page v, will receive an 80 percent reduction of tuition for courses which they are enrolled in at time of withdrawal. No reduction in tuition will be made after the fifth day of the summer semester. No reduction in fees will be made beginning with the first day of class of the summer term.

Students registering for the fall or spring semester but officially withdrawing from the University by the end of the second day of the semester, as listed in the "Academic Calendar" on page v, will receive a 100 percent reduction of tuition and fees. Room and Board will be reduced on a pro rata basis. Thereafter, students officially withdrawing by the end of the twenty-fifth day of the semester will receive an 80 percent reduction of tuition only for courses in which they are enrolled at time of withdrawal. No reduction in tuition will be made after the twenty-fifth day of the semester. No reduction in fees will be made after the second day of the semester.

Payment of Accounts

Reduction of Fees and Charges

Reduction of Tuition for Official Withdrawal

In the event a student is receiving student financial aid, any refund amount attributable to a loan, grant, or scholarship will be returned to the appropriate account and not to the student. The amount returned to federal programs will be the amount of unearned Federal aid based on the number of calendar days of attendance up to the sixty percent point of the semester. Aid accounts will be refunded in the following order up to the amount of the original disbursement: Federal Family Education Loan Programs, Federal Perkins Loan Program, Federal PLUS Loan Program, Federal Pell Grant Program, Federal SEOG Program, Arkansas Department of Higher Education Programs, Tech scholarships and private aid. Additionally, students who have received a cash payment of Federal aid money will receive a letter after their withdrawal informing them of any amount to be repaid. These repayments will be made through the Student Accounts Office.

The student will be ineligible for any further Federal financial aid until the required payments are made.

Reduction of Tuition/Fees for Dropping to Fewer Hours

Students dropping to fewer hours before the end of the fifth day of the semester in a summer term as listed in the "Academic Calendar" on page v, will receive an 80 percent reduction for the courses which are dropped. No reduction in tuition will be made after the fifth day of the semester. No reduction in fees will be made once the summer session begins.

Students who are enrolled full-time for the fall or spring semester but drop to fewer than twelve semester hours by the end of the second day of the semester, as listed in the "Academic Calendar" on page v, will receive a 100 percent reduction beginning with the lowest per credit hour charge for each class dropped. Thereafter, students dropping to fewer than twelve semester hours before the end of the twenty-fifth day of the semester will receive an 80 percent reduction beginning with the lowest per credit hour charge for each class dropped. No reduction will be made after the twenty-fifth day of the semester. No reduction in fees will be made after the second day of the semester.

Students enrolled in fewer than twelve hours for the fall or spring semester who drop courses by the end of the second day of the semester, as listed in the "Academic Calendar" on page v, will receive a 100 percent reduction of tuition for the courses dropped. Thereafter, students enrolled in fewer than twelve hours who drop courses before the end of the twenty-fifth day of the semester will receive an 80 percent reduction of the difference between the appropriate per-credit-hour amount and the tuition for courses in which they are enrolled at the time of change. No reduction will be made after the twenty-fifth day of the semester. No reduction in fees will be made after the second day of the semester.

Reduction of Room and Board

A student withdrawing from school will be charged pro rata room and board to the date of official check-out from the residence hall. It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements to do a complete check-out with their hall staff upon withdrawal from the university. Students moving from residence halls between the fall and spring semesters, after indicating they would be in campus housing for the spring semester, will owe a storage charge from the last day of the fall semester through the day the room is vacated. Students moving from the residence hall at their request during an academic year will be charged the full room and board for term of their housing agreement (typically an academic year). Students moving into residence halls during a semester will pay a pro rata charge on room and board.

Students moving out of University Commons apartments before the end of their lease term will forfeit their deposit and will be responsible for all apartment rent.

Out-of-State Residence Status for Tuition and Fee Purposes

Students classified as "out-of-state" must pay out-of-state tuition as shown in the section entitled "Fees and Charges."

No student who is a minor shall be admitted to Arkansas Tech University and classified as in-state for fee purposes unless the parent or legal guardian is a bona fide domiciliary of Arkansas and has resided in this state in that status for at least six consecutive months prior to the beginning of the term or semester for which the fees are to be paid.

Any student not a minor must have lived in the state as a nonstudent for at least six consecutive months prior to the beginning of the term or semester for which fees are to be paid to be classified as an in-state student. The policy in its entirety is available in the Office of the Registrar.

