

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

International and Multicultural Student Services

The International and Multicultural Student Services Office provides support services designed to enrich the college experience for multicultural and international students. The office actively recruits multicultural and international students to increase the diversity of the Tech campus, provide the opportunity for cultural exchange, and aid in helping all Tech students develop an appreciation for cultural differences.

The office offers a wide range of services for international students, including orientation, immigration updates, cross-cultural programming, and other support services necessary to ease the transition of international students into the U.S. culture. American college students play a vital role in this process by volunteering to serve as mentors to new international students through the Global Connect program.

Several established organizations receive support from the International and Multicultural Student Services Office, including the Black Student Association, the Hispanic Student Association, the Indian Student Association, the Association for Cultural Interaction, and the Japanese Student Organization.

Working together, programs are developed and sponsored throughout the year to educate faculty, staff and students regarding international and multicultural heritage.

Additional information may be obtained by calling (479) 964-0832, faxing (479) 880-2039, or writing to the Director of International and Multicultural Student Services, Tomlinson Room 029, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, Arkansas 72801, U.S.A.

English Language Institute

The mission of the ATU English Language Institute (ELI) is to provide programs that assist international students in developing the English language skills necessary to successfully pursue academic work in a United States college or university, and to assist in their adjustment to a different culture. The ELI accomplishes the mission by delivering non-credit English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction for international students, and by providing those students with activities that increase the awareness and understanding of American culture. The ELI is an integral part of the Office of International and Multicultural Student Services. Additional information may be obtained by calling (479) 964-0832, faxing (479) 880-2039, or writing to the Director of International and Multicultural Student Services, Tomlinson Room 029, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, Arkansas 72801, U.S.A.

University Bookstore

The Arkansas Tech University Bookstore is located in the Young Building. Textbooks, study guides, school supplies, computer software, caps and gowns for graduation, in addition to other items may be purchased.

A full refund will be given on new or used textbooks until the end of the 5th class day. The following conditions will apply:

1. You need your cash register receipt and Tech I.D.
2. Your new textbooks must be returned in brand new condition with no bent corners or water damage.
3. Wrapped or boxed textbooks must be unopened.

Textbook Refund Policy

An extended period for refunds is available to students who drop a class or withdraw from school. Specific dates will be posted each semester. Students must have a withdrawal slip and receipt. Returns are not allowed on study guides, workbooks, cliffnotes, wrapped or boxed merchandise that is opened, etc. The manager reserves the right to make the decision on the condition or salability of the merchandise.

Buy Back Policy

Students may sell their textbooks for cash at the bookstore during finals week. Fifty percent of the new price will be paid to the student if the bookstore has received a request from the instructor stating the textbook will be used the following semester, the textbook is in good condition (no water damaged books will be bought back), and the bookstore is not overstocked. Textbooks with a new edition pending may be bought back at less than 50 percent of new price. Current market value will be paid on current editions not used or needed for the following semester on campus. A current Tech ID is required to sell books back. The bookstore does not guarantee the buy back of any textbook at any time.

Additional information concerning the University Bookstore may be obtained by visiting their web site at <http://bookstore.atu.edu>, by calling (479) 968-0255, by faxing (479) 964-0861, or by e-mailing bvaughan@atu.edu.

By authority of the Board of Trustees and in accordance with Legislative Act 328, 1967, Arkansas Tech University requires all members of the faculty, staff, student body, and classified personnel to register motor vehicles which they own or operate on the Tech campus or on lands controlled by the University. All registrants shall abide by all traffic and parking regulations as outlined by a printed pamphlet available in the Doc Bryan Student Services Building or at the Department of Public Safety office.

Registration of vehicles shall be accomplished at the time of regular registration for the fall, spring, or summer semesters at the Department of Public Safety located at 1511 North Boulder. All faculty, staff, and students **must** present a current Tech ID card before a parking permit will be issued. All vehicles on Tech campus are required to register and display a current parking permit. Parameters for the operation and parking of motor vehicles may be viewed on the campus map available at the Department of Public Safety. Vehicles are defined as any self-propelled vehicle having two or more wheels.

Parking permits are valid from August 15th one year through August 15th of the next year. After securing a parking permit at the Department of Public Safety, charges are assessed to the student's account at the Office of Student Accounts. Faculty and staff are required to prepay and bring their receipt along with their ID when picking up their parking permit. Parking permits must be displayed by hanging in the rear view mirror so the number can be read through the front windshield from the outside; they may not be taped on the vehicle or laid on the dash or seat. These parking permits can be moved from vehicle to vehicle. Parking permits are the responsibility of the purchaser and must be removed prior to sale or transfer of the vehicle, upon termination of employment or withdrawal from the university. Only one parking permit per individual can be purchased unless the prior parking permit was lost or stolen. The reported lost or stolen parking permit will be invalid. There is no refund for parking permit cost. The registration fee, penalties and fines are published in the ATU parking map.

Temporary parking permits are available at the Department of Public Safety for faculty, staff and students who have misplaced their parking permit. These parking permits are provided at no cost and are valid for a maximum of seven days.

The Health and Wellness Center is located in Dean Hall Room 126. The mission of the Health and Wellness Center is to assist in the educational process of the University by modifying or removing health-related barriers to personal development and learning. It also provides educational services by serving as a health and medical resource for the University community. Most of these services are available free of charge.

The Center is staffed by a registered nurse full time. The registered nurse does physical assessments, treats minor injuries and illnesses, and provides health

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education all within her scope of practice. The RN provides outpatient health services in a strictly confidential manner and make appropriate referrals when necessary.

The Center also has educational materials (i.e. brochures, books, CD's and videos) available to the University community. You can visit the Health and Wellness Center web site at: <http://stuserv.atu.edu/hwc>.

Student Accident and Health Insurance

Arkansas Tech cooperates with a number of other higher educational institutions in Arkansas to make available a student group insurance policy. Students not adequately covered by an individual or family group insurance policy may purchase this policy at the beginning of any semester. Application forms are available at the Health and Wellness Center or online at: www.macori.com. All international students are required to purchase a medical insurance plan that satisfies the requirements of the Office of International and Multicultural Student Services.

Disability Services for Students

Arkansas Tech University is committed to providing equal opportunities for higher education to academically qualified individuals who are disabled. Students with disabilities attending Tech will be integrated as completely as possible into the university community. Tech does not offer a specialized curriculum for students with disabilities nor does it assume the role of a rehabilitation center, but does assume responsibility for modifying campus facilities and procedures to accommodate individual needs where feasible and without posing an undue hardship on the University.

Services arranged through the University's Disabilities Coordinator include consideration of classroom and building accessibility, planning for adequate travel time between classes, note-taking assistance, alternative testing, and similar types of accommodations. Per individual needs, students who may require academic support are encouraged to utilize the departmental tutorial laboratories.

Tech is subject to and endorses both the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The Disabilities Coordinator serves as the coordinator for these federal programs. The Disabilities Coordinator is located in Testing & Disability Services in Bryan Hall, Suite 103, and may be contacted by calling (479) 968-0302, (479) 968-0308 (TDD), (479) 968-0375 (FAX), or by e-mail at disabilities@atu.edu.

University Testing Center

The University Testing Center provides services which assist in the recruitment, retention, and graduation of students. The services offered include testing services.

Testing services include providing registration information and materials and administering examinations such as the American College Test Assessment (ACT), Graduate Record Exam (GRE), Law School Admission Test (LSAT), Miller Analogies Test (MAT), Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), Professional Assessments for Beginning Teachers (PRAXIS), and others. Test registration bulletins and preparatory materials are available for many of these exams via the University Testing Center. Credit by examination is also a testing service. It allows an individual to earn college credit by attaining the qualifying score established by Arkansas Tech University. Examinations included in this program are Advanced College Placement (AP), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), National League for Nursing (NLN), and Arkansas Tech examinations.

Furthermore, the University Testing Center facilities include a computer lab and a study/testing lab. Each of these rooms provides a quiet, comfortable atmosphere for studying. The Center is staffed with a director and one testing coordinator. Arkansas Tech University students may use these services for free (excluding tests). The University Testing Center is located in suite 103 of Bryan Hall and may be reached via phone (479) 968-0302, fax (479) 968-0375, or e-mail universitytesting@atu.edu. For additional information, visit the center's web site at <http://utds.atu.edu>.

Norman Career Services provides online registration for students, alumni, and employers, as well as established web links to ethical employment boards. Registrants may access and provide information through www.monstertrak.com and [interviewtrak](http://interviewtrak.com), including cover letters, resumes, campus recruiting schedules, information sessions, etc. The center hosts and maintains a computerized career interest inventory, called "Discover," which may be accessed online. Services provided to **ALL** classifications of students and alumni include an extensive career library, company videos, career counseling, and resume critiquing. It also provides career workshops to classes, student groups and community organizations to ensure that Arkansas Tech University graduates are well informed, prepared for the job search, and availed of every opportunity to choose from professional alternatives. Career and part-time employment opportunities through business, industry, government, the health field and education are posted through monstertrak.

Norman Career Services hosts recruiters who conduct a variety of interviews each semester. Current contacts are maintained with local, national, and international employers seeking career professionals from every major. Career fairs are hosted each fall and spring for all students.

Additional information concerning Career Services may be obtained by visiting their web site at <http://careers.atu.edu>, by calling (479) 968-0278, or writing to ATU, Norman Career Services, Doc Bryan Student Services Center, Suite 211, Russellville, AR, 72801.