Tuition and Fees

Registration at the University consists of enrolling in classes and paying required fees and charges. Registration cannot be completed and no student can be formally in a class until all required fees and charges, including any prior balances, are paid to the Office of Fiscal Affairs.

Fee Payment Plans

Prairie View A&M University offers the following fee payment plans for the payment of tuition and fees:

1. **Full Payment In Advance**
   - Full payment of tuition and fees in advance of the beginning of the semester.

2. **Installment Payment Plan (Fall/Spring semesters only)**
   - Payment of one-half of tuition and fees in advance of the beginning of the semester, payment of one-quarter prior to the start of the sixth class week, and payment of the final one-quarter prior to the beginning of the eleventh class week. The University will not accept initial payment for an amount less than the required 50%.

Unpaid Obligations

Students who do not fulfill their financial obligations when due are subject to the following actions by the University:

1. **First Installment**
   - Students failing to make a minimum payment of 50% of their tuition and fees at the beginning of the semester will be dropped from enrollment on the 12th day of class for Fall/Spring semesters. Students that are dropped will have all of their tuition and fees dropped, except that on-campus students will be required to pay a prorated portion of the board and laundry charges.

2. **Second and Third Installments**
   - Students failing to make the second and third installment payments by the required due dates will be subject to the following penalties:
     a. Assessed $50 installment late fee per late payment
     b. Blocked from future registrations
     c. Blocked from receiving transcripts

Fee and Financial Aid Refunds

Fee refunds will be given for withdrawal from the University within the time constraints described in the refund schedule sections below. A full refund of applicable tuition and fees will be given for courses dropped within the first 12 class days of the fall or spring semesters, or within the first 4 class days of summer session, provided that student remains enrolled at the institution for that semester or session. Students who wish to withdraw from the University after registering must follow prescribed procedures for withdrawal or assume liability for all fees assessed. Withdrawal forms are available in the Registrar’s Office. Students who have questions or concerns regarding the calculation of their refund may appeal by letter to the addresses below and should state in their letter the portion of the refund that is being questioned. Allow 30 days for response.

**Financial Aid Refunds**
- Executive Director of Student Financial Services
- Prairie View A&M University
- P.O. Box 2967
- Prairie View, TX 77446-2967

**Fee Refunds**
- Manager of Treasury Services
- Prairie View A&M University
- P.O. Box 248
- Prairie View, TX 77446-0248

**Fee Refund Schedule**

The following schedule applies to refunds of tuition and fees (excluding room, board and laundry) for students who withdraw from the University.
**Tuition and Fees**

**Fall or Spring Semester**
Prior to the first class day 100%
During the first five class days 80%
During the second five class days 70%
During the third five class days 50%
During the fourth five class days 25%
After the fourth five class days None

**Summer Sessions**
Prior to the first class day 100%
During the first, second, or third class day 80%
During the fourth, fifth, or sixth class day 50%
Seventh class day and thereafter None

Board and Laundry charge refunds will be handled as follows:

**Board Plan.** Payments made for board will be refunded in full to students who officially withdraw before the first day of official registration for that term. Refunds of actual payments on or after the first day of official registration for actual payments will be prorated on a daily basis less an early withdrawal fee of ten (10) percent of the semester rate.

**Laundry Fee.** Laundry fee refunds will be prorated on a weekly basis.

**Financial Aid Refund Schedule**

The University is required to reimburse the Title IV (Federal Financial Aid) programs based on the percentage of these funds applied to the total charges for the first time students receiving aid from these programs according to the following schedule.

**Fall or Spring Semester**
Prior to registration 100%
Within week 1 90%
Within week 2 80%
Within week 3 80%
Within week 4 70%
Within week 5 60%
Within week 6 60%
Within week 7 50%
Within week 8 50%
Within week 9 40%
Within week 10 40%
After week 10 None

**Summer Term**
Week 1 80%
Week 2 60%
Week 3 40%
Week 4 and after None

Students who receive overpayment checks from these federal programs and withdraw from the University within the first 10 weeks may be required to return a portion of these funds to the Title IV program.
## Schedule of Tuition and Fees

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<td>Tuition</td>
<td>All students are required to pay tuition to help defray the cost of instruction and general operation of the University. Tuition rates are as follows.\n\n  - Resident – Undergraduate\n  - Resident – Graduate\n  - Non-Resident\n  - For the fall/spring semesters, minimum tuition is $120 for Resident students and $262 non-resident students. For the summer term, minimum tuition is $60 for Resident students and $262 for non-resident students.</td>
<td>$44\n$48\n$262 per semester credit hour</td>
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<td>Board Authorized Tuition</td>
<td>All students are required to pay Board Authorized Tuition to help defray the cost of instruction and operation of the University.</td>
<td>$36 per credit hour</td>
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<td>Lab</td>
<td>Students who register for lab courses are required to pay a Laboratory fee for each lab course to help defray the cost for lab equipment, supplies etc.</td>
<td>$5 - $30 per course</td>
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<td><strong>Student Services</strong></td>
<td>All students are required to pay a student service fee, which is used to provide recreational activities, intercollegiate athletics, student publications, and other student programs, services and activities. Maximum fee is $150 per fall/spring semester.</td>
<td>$14 per semester hour</td>
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<td><strong>Student Center</strong></td>
<td>All students are required to pay a student center fee, which is used to support the construction, operation and maintenance of the Memorial Student Center.</td>
<td>$40 (fall/spring) per semester\n$20 (summer) per session</td>
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<td>Computer Access</td>
<td>All students are required to pay a computer access fee to help defray the cost of maintaining centralized academic computer labs for all students.</td>
<td>$4 per semester credit hour</td>
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<td><strong>Student Health</strong></td>
<td>All students are required to pay a student health fee to cover the cost of providing basic health care and urgent care services in the University’s Health Center. Students are entitled to unlimited office visits in the University’s Health Center and a 15% discount on lab, x-ray and pharmacy services.</td>
<td>$75 per fall/spring semester\n$25 per summer session</td>
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<td>Registration</td>
<td>All students are required to pay a fee to cover:\n  - Registration\n  - Late Registration (fall/spring)\n  - Late Registration (summer)\n  - Registration in Absentia (resident)\n  - Registration in Absentia (non-resident)</td>
<td>$10\n$25\n$12.50\n$15.00\n$17.50 per semester</td>
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<td>International Education</td>
<td>All students are required to pay a fee to provide funding to assist students participating in international student exchange or study programs.</td>
<td>$1 per semester</td>
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## Tuition and Fees

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<th>$5 per semester credit hour</th>
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### Room Rent

A charge assessed to students living on campus to cover the cost of operating the privately operated housing facilities.

#### Fall/Spring Semester

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<td>Phase I and II</td>
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<td>$1,560</td>
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<td>10 week session</td>
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<td>8 week session</td>
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<td>5 week session</td>
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Room rent is collected directly by the company operating the facilities. For students with financial aid overpayments, the University facilitates the rent payment by assessing the charge to the student’s fee account and remitting a check directly to the operator of the facilities.

### Board Plan

A charge assessed to all students living on campus to cover the cost of providing the following required meal plans:

#### Fall/Spring Semester

| 21 Meals per week, $25 in points | $998 |
| 14 Meals per week, $50 in points | $946 |
| 10 Meals per week, $100 in points | $884 |
| 7 Meals per week, $200 in points | $811 |
| 5 Meals per week, $250 in points | $780 |

#### Summer Session

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<td>Laundry Plan</td>
<td>A charge assessed to students living on campus to cover the cost of providing a centralized Laundromat. The charges assessed are:</td>
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<td>Fall/Spring Semester</td>
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<td>I.D. Card</td>
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<td>Application</td>
<td>A fee assessed to all students applying for admission to the University. The fee helps to defray the costs associated with the admissions function.</td>
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<td>Late Fee</td>
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<td>Graduate Student</td>
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<tr>
<td>Auditing</td>
<td>A fee assessed to students desiring to audit a course. The fee is used to defray the administrative cost associated with providing the services.</td>
<td>$10 per course</td>
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<td>Returned Check</td>
<td>A fee assessed to students whose check for payment of their fees does not clear their bank. The fee is used to defray the costs associated with handling/collecting returned checks.</td>
<td>$25 per check</td>
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<td>Certificate</td>
<td>A fee assessed to students receiving a certificate for completing a non-degree program at the University.</td>
<td>$6 per certificate</td>
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<td>Diploma/Graduation</td>
<td>A fee assessed to graduating students to help defray the costs associated with performing a degree audit and issuing a diploma to student. The fee is as follows:</td>
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<td>Doctoral</td>
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<td>Graduate (Masters)</td>
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<td>Undergraduate</td>
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<td>Late Fee</td>
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<td>Installment Carrying</td>
<td>A fee assessed to all students electing to pay by the installment plan. The fee is used to help defray the cost associated with record keeping and collections.</td>
<td>$36 per semester</td>
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<td>Distance Learning Fee</td>
<td>A fee assessed to all students who take only electronically-delivered courses.</td>
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<td>$25 (summer)</td>
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**Biology Equipment Access Fee**  
A fee assessed to students enrolling in Biology courses to help defray the cost of providing and maintaining instructional equipment.  
$60 per course

**College of Business Equipment Access Fee**  
A fee assessed to students enrolled in Business courses to help defray the cost of providing and maintaining instructional equipment.  
$40 per course

**Engineering Equipment Access Fee**  
A fee assessed to students enrolled in Engineering courses to help defray the cost of providing and maintaining instructional equipment.  
$40 per course

**Installment Late**  
A fee assessed to all students who have not paid their installment payments by the due date. The fee is used to help defray the cost associated with record keeping and collections.  
$50 per occurrence

**Transcript**  
A fee assessed to all current and former students desiring an official transcript. The first transcript is free.  
$5 per transcript

**Vehicle Registration**  
A fee assessed to all students operating vehicles on campus to cover the cost of providing and maintaining parking facilities.  
$35 (fall/spring)  
$15 (summer)  
per semester

**Communications Equipment Access Fee**  
A fee assessed to students enrolled in Communications courses to help defray the cost of providing and maintaining instructional equipment.  
$10 per course

**New Student Orientation**  
A fee assessed to students enrolled in the New Student Orientation program.  
$60 per student

**Remediation**  
A fee assessed to students enrolled in non-course based remediation to help defray the cost of administering the remediation program.  
$50 (fall/spring)  
$25 (summer)  
per course

**Library Fines**  
Students who return late or lose library books will be subject to library fines.  
Over-due books:  
$0.25 per day  
Reserved Materials:  
$0.02 per day minimum  
$50.00 maximum  
Lost Book:  
Replacement Cost + $15

* Fee rates are subject to change. The most current fee rates will be published in the Course Schedule for each semester.

** Fee waived for students who take only distance learning courses and who do not reside on campus.

**Tuition and Fee Exemptions**

Tuition and fee exemptions are provided by the University to students who fall within one of the following categories and meet the criteria established by the State of Texas:

1) Highest Ranking High School Graduate (Texas Education Code §54.201)
2) Children of Texas veterans (Texas Education Code §54.203)
3) Veterans of Texas (Texas Education Code §54.203)
4) Children of Disabled Firemen and Peace Officers (Texas Education Code §54.204)
5) Disabled Peace Officers (Texas Education Code §54.2041)
6) Blind and Deaf Students (Texas Education Code §54.205)
7) Students from Other Nations of the American Hemisphere (Texas Education Code §54.207)
8) Children of Prisoners of War or Persons Missing in Action (Texas Education Code §54.209)
9) Students in Foster or Other Residential Care (Texas Education Code §54.211)
10) Aid to Families with Dependent Children (Texas Education Code §54.212)
11) Educational Aides (Texas Education Code §54.214)
12) Texas National Guard/ROTC Students (Texas Education Code §54.22155)
13) Students Enrolled in Fully Funded Courses (Texas Education Code §54.217)
14) Prisoners of War (Texas Education Code §54.219)

Students desiring more information about tuition and fee exemptions should contact the Admissions Office at (936) 857-2626.

**Tuition Waivers**

Tuition waivers are provided by the University to students who fall within one of the following categories and meet the criteria established by the State of Texas:

1) Military Personnel and Dependents
2) Teaching or Research Assistant
3) Scholarship Student

Students desiring more information about tuition waivers should contact the Admissions Office.

**Tuition Rebate**

First-time freshmen beginning with Fall 1997 may earn a $1,000 rebate. See Texas Education code, Section 54.0065 for full disclosure. Briefly, a $1,000 rebate will be given to students who complete their degree programs with no more than three attempted hours in excess of the minimum number of semester credit hours required for the degree.

Eligible Students:
1) First-time Freshmen entering Fall 1997 semester or later.
2) Rebate for the first baccalaureate degree from a Texas public university.
3) Only Texas residents with all attempted coursework at Texas public institutions of higher education, who paid resident tuition.
4) Have no more than three, attempted hours in excess of their catalog’s required hours to graduate. Hours attempted include transfer credits, course credit earned or specific sections, and
5) Make a formal request for the rebate at the same time application for graduation is made.

**Undergraduate Semester Credit Hour Limit**

Effective Fall 1999, all resident students enrolling for the first time at a state institution of higher education in Texas will be subject to paying non-resident tuition rates for excessive undergraduate credit hours. The state has defined excessive undergraduate credit hours as attempted credit hours that exceed by at least 45 hours the number of hours required for completion of a student’s declared degree plan. For students with undeclared majors, their degree plan is assumed to be 120 hours. We urge affected students to seek academic advisement throughout their college career, to minimize the number of excessive undergraduate hours and to avoid the higher tuition rates.