Financial Information

Auburn University’s fees have remained somewhat lower than those charged by similar institutions in the Southeast and in other sections of the country. As institutional costs have risen, the Board of Trustees have authorized small increases in fees from time to time by. Every effort is made, however, to hold fees and charges at a minimum.

The following fees and charges are in effect at this time. However, since the catalog must be published well in advance of the next school year, it is not always possible to anticipate changes. Thus the fee schedule may have to be revised. Every effort will be made to publicize changes as far in advance as possible.

Basic Charges (revised July 2006)

The following is a schedule of the tuition structure effective Fall 2006. Students should be prepared to complete registration by payment of fees and charges, upon notice, before the beginning of the term.

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21. Correspondence Study Course Fee

a. Service Fee.............................................................................. | 54.00 | 54.00 |
b. Additional Fee Per Credit Hour............................................. | 133.00 | 133.00 |

* Graduate students’ tuition and fees are waived, provided they are on a one-quarter time or greater appointment and are being paid according to the approved salary structure as Graduate Research or Teaching Assistant. Their appointment date must be effective as of the eighth class day of the semester or September 1 for the fall semester.

**Professional Program Rates — Updated: 7-07-06

a.) The University Fee is used to meet part of the cost of instruction, physical training and development, laboratory materials and supplies for student use, maintenance, operation and expansion of the physical plant, Library and Student Activities. The Student Activities portion of the registration fee includes such activities as intercollegiate athletics, exhibits, G LOMERATA, intramural sports, PLAINSMAN, religious life, social affairs, student government, student union activities and operations, TIGER CUB, and W EGL Radio Station. This fee includes $0.25 held in reserve to cover damage to university property by students.

b.) Students registering for fewer than 10 credit hours will pay the Registration Fee plus the Credit Hour Fee for each credit hour. (Students who register for 10 or more hours will pay the University Fee.) The Registration Fee is waived for full-time faculty and staff. All students except faculty and staff are eligible to participate in Student Activities.

c.) Not charged to faculty and staff.

d.) A student who is a candidate for a degree in a term in which no credit work is taken is required to register in such term as a pre-requisite to graduation. (For members of the faculty and staff the charge shall be reduced to $5.00.) Graduation fee is to be paid in addition to this charge.

e.) This additional music fee is to be paid for each Performance Course of individual instruction. Instruction is available in either half-hour or hour lessons.

f.) Students participating in the Study Abroad/Exchange Program will pay the Auburn Abroad Fee, and any course work resulting in AU credit or grades will be assessed in accordance with the university fee structure.

g.) Students registering for Independent Distance Education Courses will pay the Service Fee plus the additional fee per credit hour. Special lab fees may be associated with certain courses.

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Other Fees and Charges

Late Payment Charges. All students, regardless of classification, must clear tuition, fees and other university obligations by the deadlines set by the university, or be liable for late payment charges. Late payment charges will be assessed following each due date at 1.5 percent of the unpaid balance.

Returned Check Charge ............................................................. 25.00

Note: All checks accepted subject to collection.

Application Fee. An application fee must accompany all applications for admission and is not refundable nor applicable to registration fees. (See “Undergraduate Admissions” section under Academic Policies.) An application fee must accompany the application for housing and is not refundable or applicable to housing fees. (See “Housing and Residence Life” section under Student Services.)

Fees Related to Graduation

Graduation Fee (each degree)...................................................... 20.00

Duplicate Diploma Fee .................................................................. 20.00

Transcript Fee.............................................................................. 20.00

Thesis and Dissertation Binding Fee (per copy) .............................. 7.00

Doctoral Dissertation Microfiling Fee ............................................ 55.00

One-half Tuition Internships: College of Liberal Arts: ARTS 3920, CMDS 7940, COMM 4920, CRIM 4920, HADM 4920, HIST 7920, POLI 4920, POLI 7920, PRCM 7940, RTVF 7940, SOWO 4920, THEA 4920, College of Business: MNGT 4920; College of Human Sciences: CAHS 4920, CAHS 4940.

Fees will be one-half the full University Fee or one-half of the non-Alabama University fee, if applicable, provided students are not enrolled in other courses. Total course load not to exceed nine credit hours. Rent for Student Housing, (see “Housing and Residence Life”) Meal Plans (See “Dining Services” under Student Services.)

Special Service Fees

Cooperative Education Program .................................................... 45.00

Cooperative Education ID Fee (athletic tickets)......................... 37.00

Cooperative Education Diploma Fee ............................................ 15.00

Resignations and Refunds

Students officially resigning prior to the start of a term will not be held liable for fees (other than non-refundable fees). Students resigning during the first 15 class days of the fall and spring semesters and the first 5 class days of the summer term and/or session will be charged a $100 Resignation Fee.

The liability for fees will not be excused for resignations effective after the 15th class day of fall and spring semesters and the 5th class day of summer term and/or session except in cases of resignation caused by personal illness (physicians statement required) or call into military service (copy of activation orders required, excluding temporary training assignments). A pro-rata reduction will be made in cases of personal illness and a full reduction for military service activation. Students having made prior payment will be refunded the amount paid less their liability after the resignation. Students suspended for disciplinary reasons are not eligible for refunds or reductions in liability. Resigning students receiving refunds will first have their refunds applied to any outstanding obligations and to any scholarship, grant or loan which they had received for the term.

Students reducing course loads on or prior to the 15th day of classes of fall and spring semesters and the 5th day of classes for summer term and/or session may be eligible for a partial refund or reduction in liability of tuition and fees. To be eligible, the adjustment must be completed on or before the 15th day of classes of fall and spring semesters and the 5th day of classes of summer term and/or session. In such cases, fees will be reassessed based on the adjusted schedule.

Students who believe that extenuating circumstances warrant an exception to the refund policy must submit an appeal in writing to the Director, Office of Student Financial Services, Martin Hall. Acceptance or rejection of the appeal will be mailed within 10 business days.

Any Federal Title IV financial aid recipients who resign will be liable for any unearned funds received as determined by the Federal Return of Funds Policy. These amounts will be charged back to the student’s university account.
Payment of University Obligations

The Auburn University Billing/Receivable System will bill students the majority of their charges due AU. Among the charges included within this system are those for tuition/fees, Tiger Club, housing and parking. Other charges will be included in the system as deemed appropriate. Any questions concerning a charge should be directed to the department responsible for that particular charge.

AU Billing/Receivable statements will be processed at approximately monthly intervals corresponding to the university’s semester schedule. The first installment for tuition and fees will be billed and due prior to the beginning of each semester. The final installment will be billed approximately one week prior to the beginning of the semester and due on the bill due date. Additional charges will be billed as incurred. All charges appearing on a billing statement must be cleared by the due date for that statement or late payment charges will be assessed. Late payment charges may be waived for tuition resulting from university registration and housing charges when financial aid is processed through the university and evidence of such aid is recorded on the statement.

AU Billing/Receivable statements will be delivered via E-Bill (the university’s electronic billing system.) Students are notified through TigerMail when a new billing statement has been processed, and any other Authorized Users added by the students are sent e-mails to their specified e-mail addresses. The first billing statement of each semester will also be printed and mailed to the student’s mailing address as maintained in the campus-wide student system. Students may request that mailed statements and other billing correspondence be sent to a specified address by contacting the Office of Student Financial Services.

Students are expected to meet all financial obligations when they fall due. The university reserves the right to deny admission, dis-enroll, prevent participation in graduation and withhold transcripts, cap, gown and diploma of any student who fails to meet promptly their financial obligations to the university. It is each students responsibility to be informed of all payment due dates, deadlines, and other requirements by referring to official sources of university information such as this catalog, official calendar of events, announcements printed in the Plainsman, or that disseminated by other means from time to time. Students owing charges for prior terms will not be allowed to register for future terms until all charges are paid.

University registration or other requests for class assignment create a liability for the payment of tuition and fees resulting from assigned classes. Such liability can only be excused when students withdraw or resign in accordance with university procedures.

Checks: Checks given in payment of any university obligation are accepted subject to final collection. If the bank on which the check is drawn does not honor the demand for payment and returns the check unpaid, the student will pay a returned check fee of $25 and any applicable late payment charges. If payment is not cleared promptly, the student’s registration may be canceled. The university has the right but not the obligation to re-deposit any insufficient check without notice to the student or maker.

Collection costs or charges along with all attorney fees necessary for the collection of any debt to the university will be charged to and paid by the debtor.

Veterans: All veterans (Chapters 30 and 32), reservists and guard members (Chapter 106) and veterans’ dependents (Chapter 35) are responsible for paying fees and charges on the same basis as other students. Veterans under the Vocational Rehabilitation program (Chapter 31) and students receiving the Alabama GI Bill should make arrangements for their tuition, fees and books to be paid prior to their first payment due date.

Foreign Students Under Contract: A special administration management/program fee will be negotiated for foreign students who come to the university under a contractual arrangement that requires special administrative and programming arrangements beyond those of the regular academic program of the university.

Alabama and Non-Alabama Student Policy

Students enrolled prior to June 1, 1996 should consult with the Office of Admissions and Records for changes in residency status.

Policy for Students Enrolled for the First Time June 1, 1996, and Thereafter

For the purpose of assessing fees, applicants shall be classified as Alabama or non-Alabama students. Non-Alabama students are required to pay a non-resident tuition fee.

An Alabama student is a person which shall be a citizen of the United States, or a resident alien, and who shall have resided and had habitation, home and permanent abode in the State of Alabama for at least 12 months immediately preceding current registration. In applying this regulation, “applicant” shall mean a person applying for admission to the institution, if applicant is married or 19 years of age, and financially independent. Otherwise, it shall mean parents, parent or legal guardian of his/her person. If the parents are divorced, residence will be determined by the residency of the parent to whom the court has granted custody.

A person who establishes a guardianship for purpose of avoiding non-Alabama fees will be subject to non-resident tuition.

No person who moves to Alabama for the primary purpose of attending college shall be considered to have demonstrated intent to establish domicile in the State of Alabama, and will generally not be considered eligible for classification as a resident student. Clear and convincing evidence to the contrary must be presented to overcome this presumption.

In determining Alabama student status for purposes of assessing fees, the burden of proof is on the applicant.

Additional Persons Eligible for Resident Tuition

1. Military personnel on active duty stationed in Alabama, their spouses and dependent children (as defined by Internal Revenue Codes), as well as military personnel whose “Home of Record” is Alabama, who have continuously filed Alabama income tax returns for the duration of their service, and their spouses and dependent children.

2. Non-resident undergraduate students who have been awarded full academic, athletic or other similar performance tuition scholarships by Auburn University and graduate students appointed on assistantships of at least 1/4-time.

3. Full-time employees of a state of Alabama agency or institution, their spouses and dependent children.

4. Spouse and dependent children of a non-resident, provided the non-resident has been employed in Alabama full-time for at least 12 consecutive months prior to registration, has filed an Alabama Income Tax Return for the tax year prior to the year in which the student is admitted, and did not claim a credit on the Alabama return for income taxes paid to another state.

5. Non-resident students with junior or senior standing selected for programs included in the Southern Regional Education Board Academic Common Market, provided the student does not change to another program not included, is enrolled in 12 hours per term and earns a 3.0 each term. In such cases of change, reduction in course load or failure to meet the grade-point average, the student will be classified as a non-resident for tuition purposes. See section on Academic Common Market for application process.

6. Persons whose spouses by legal marriage are bona fide Alabama residents.

7. Spouses and dependent children of persons who establish domicile within the State of Alabama, provided that the person who establishes domicile is employed full-time in a permanent position in Alabama.

8. Non-resident persons enrolled in programs of Auburn University not funded by tax revenues of the state of Alabama.

9. Students enrolled in the College of Veterinary Medicine professional D.V.M. program admitted under contract with the Southern Regional Education Board.

Initial Determination of Eligibility

To be initially classified as eligible for resident tuition, students must demonstrate that they or their parent, guardian or spouse qualify for one of the eligibility categories prior to the first day of class. A signed statement is required that qualification for the eligibility category claimed has been met prior to registration.

Change in Eligibility for Resident Tuition

Students determined to be eligible for resident tuition will maintain that eligibility upon re-enrollment within 12 months of their most recent enrollment, unless there is evidence that the student subsequently has abandoned resident status (e.g., registering to vote in another state.)
Students failing to reenroll within 12 months must establish eligibility upon re-enrollment.

Students initially classified as ineligible for resident tuition will retain that classification for tuition purposes until they provide clear and convincing evidence that they have established permanent domicile in Alabama. The burden of proof of change in eligibility rests on those requesting change. Evidence relevant to an initial determination of eligibility is also relevant to establishing a change in eligibility.

Non-resident students who carry an academic load considered normal (10 or more hours per term) for students at Auburn University will be presumed to be in the State of Alabama primarily for the purpose of gaining an education and, thus, have not demonstrated the intent to establish a true domicile in Alabama. Clear and convincing proof may overcome this presumption, but again, the burden of proof rests on those requesting change in eligibility. Any change in resident tuition eligibility occurring during an academic term will not become effective until the registration for the succeeding term.

The following types of evidence may contain data to establish twelve-12-month residency in the State of Alabama. In all cases, the person must be at least 19 years of age or married, and financially independent. Otherwise, the person's residency will be based on that of the parent or guardian.

1. Ownership of rental or residential property in the State of Alabama and continuous occupation thereof on an extended term of not less than twelve consecutive months.
2. Full-time permanent employment in the State of Alabama.
3. Possession of State of Alabama License(s) required to do business or practice a profession in Alabama.
4. Legal marriage to a bona fide Alabama resident.
5. Registration to vote in the State of Alabama.
6. Filing of Alabama resident income tax returns.
7. Holding a current Alabama drivers license.
8. Registration of vehicle in Alabama, and payment of property taxes, thereon.
9. Evidence of local banking activity within the State of Alabama for 12 consecutive months prior to making application for residency change.

The Director of Admissions and Records at Auburn University and the Director of Admissions at AUM shall have the responsibility for determining whether a student shall be classified as an Alabama or non-Alabama student. The decision of the Director of Admissions and Records/Admissions Director shall be subject to review by the Residency Committee (at Auburn) or the Chancellor (at AUM) or the designated representative of each, upon written request of the applicant.

Procedures for Appeal of Residency Decision

The following outlines the process by which students may appeal the initial decision of residency for tuition purposes by the Office of Admissions and Records.

Students must submit a letter to the Senior Associate Director of Admissions and Records, addressed to the Residency Committee, requesting residency reclassification and outlining the circumstances that have changed since the initial residency decision.

Along with the letter, students should submit whatever evidence they feel is relevant to their appeal. Examples of the types of evidence that may contain information relevant to reclassification can be found in the Auburn University Residency Guidelines in the AU Bulletin.

The letter of request for appeal and the supporting evidence must be received no later than two business days before the committee meets. The Office of Admissions and Records will prepare all materials for presentation to the committee regarding each individual appeal.

The committee will vote on the merits of each appeal and as it relates to the written guidelines as adopted by the state of Alabama and the Auburn University Board of Trustees.

The Residency Appeals Committee Chair will send a letter to students informing them of the final decision and reason.

All proceedings and votes will be recorded and filed in the Office of Admissions and Records.

The students may submit further appeals to the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs for Enrollment Services if desired.

Academic Common Market

The Academic Common Market is an agreement among 14 Southern Regional Education Board states (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia). According to the agreement, if one of these states does not offer a particular degree program in its state-supported universities, a resident of that state may enroll in that degree program at a university in one of the other states without having to pay out-of-state tuition. Each state specifies which programs offered at out-of-state universities it will allow its residents to attend as common market students. The states of Florida, North Carolina and Texas do not participate in the Academic Common Market. To be eligible for consideration for the Common Market at Auburn, students must be enrolled in degree programs approved to the extent of commonality, classified as a junior or senior at Auburn, have a 3.0 grade-point average for all college-level course work attempted, including transfer work, and be certified as a resident of one of the other states. Auburn students who enter as common market students and do not complete 12 hours per year, and do not maintain a 3.0 or who later change to a degree program not certified as eligible by their home states, lose the waiver of out-of-state tuition. Since out-of-state residence is a requirement for being a common market student, students may not use the time spent as common market students to qualify them as residents of Alabama. For additional information about the Academic Common Market, contact the Provost Office, 209 Samford Hall (334) 844-5779. Application materials are due by March 15 for the following year. If space remains, applications for spring semester received by October 15 will be considered.

Financial Aid

The Office of Student Financial Services at Auburn University provides financial assistance to students who need aid to attend the university. Students seeking assistance are required to file an application for Federal Student Financial Aid annually. Applications for aid should be completed in January or February of the year prior to the academic year in which the student will need assistance. Application materials and a brochure describing available aid programs may be obtained from the Office of Student Financial Services, 203 Martin Hall and on the web at www.auburn.edu/finaid.

Financial aid includes scholarships, grants, loans and part-time employment.

Grants. Federal Pell Grants are provided to undergraduate students who demonstrate exceptional need. Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants are available, in limited number, to undergraduates with the greatest financial need.

Loans. Federal Perkins Loans, Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans, and Institutional Loans provide long-term, low interest loans to students. Some loans require demonstrated financial need. The Health Professions Loan Program makes available long-term loans for students in Pharmacy and Veterinary Medicine.

Work. The Federal Work-Study Program provides part-time employment for students who demonstrate financial need.

Graduate Assistantships. Graduate students may be eligible for teaching and research assistantships and traineeships. Information is available from the department of the student’s major field.

Scholarship

Auburn University appreciates the high level of academic achievement brought to our institution by undergraduate and professional students. The University Scholarship Office stands firm in its commitment to provide due recognition for scholarly achievement through scholarship awards. As such, the University Scholarship Office coordinates five areas of scholarship: Entering Freshman Scholarships, Transfer Scholarships, General University Scholarships, Departmental Scholarships, and External Scholarships.

Freshman Academic Scholarships. The minimum requirements for Freshman Academic Scholarship consideration are a 27 ACT or a 1220 SAT, and a 3.0 high school grade-point average (grade-point average) with all required admissions credentials postmarked by December 1 of the senior year of high school. Only composite test scores from a single test date can be considered in the scholarship process. A student’s application for admission to the university serves as the application for these scholarships so no additional application is necessary to receive
Transfer Scholarships. A limited number of one-year, non-renewable Transfer Scholarships are awarded at four different levels. The minimum requirements for Transfer Scholarship consideration are a 3.2 transfer grade-point average and 32 transfer hours completed as of June 1.

General University and Departmental Scholarships. General University and Departmental Scholarships are awarded in the spring for the next academic year with awards ranging in amount from partial to full tuition for one year. Criteria for these scholarships include but are not limited to academics, geography (city, county, state), class standing, and financial need. Currently enrolled students who have a minimum 3.0 AU cumulative grade-point average following fall semester are automatically considered for any General University Scholarship for which they meet the criteria. For entering freshmen, priority consideration is given to those students who were eligible for Freshman Academic Scholarship consideration. Students should contact the appropriate college/school and department for Departmental Scholarship opportunities. In order for freshmen to complete maximum need consideration for General University Scholarships and Departmental Scholarships, students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year by the Auburn University Financial Aid priority deadline of March 1.

External Scholarships. For scholarships awarded by organizations external to Auburn University, checks and supporting documentation should be forwarded to the University Scholarship Office, The Quad Center, Auburn, AL 36849.