

# CAREER & TECHNICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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## Tuition and Fees Information

### Tuition and Fees Schedule 2026-2027 Academic Year

All tuition and fees are correct as of the date of print but are subject to change by action of the State Legislature or the Board of Regents of The Texas State University System. Nonresident tuition (out-of-state and international) is calculated each year by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

#### Tuition and Fees Per Semester

Fall 2026 - Spring 2027

See below: subject to additional fees.<sup>1</sup>

Texas Resident		Nonresident	
Semester Hours	Amount	Semester Hours	Amount
1	245.00	1	673.00
2	490.00	2	1,346.00
3	735.00	3	2,019.00
4	980.00	4	2,692.00
5	1,225.00	5	3,365.00
6	1,470.00	6	4,038.00
7	1,715.00	7	4,711.00
8	1,960.00	8	5,384.00
9	2,205.00	9	6,057.00
10	2,450.00	10	6,730.00
11	2,695.00	11	7,403.00
12	2,940.00	12	8,076.00
13	3,185.00	13	8,749.00
14	3,430.00	14	9,422.00
15	3,675.00	15	10,095.00
16	3,920.00	16	10,768.00
17	4,165.00	17	11,441.00
18	4,410.00	18	12,114.00
19	4,655.00	19	12,787.00
20	4,900.00	20	13,460.00
21	5,145.00	21	14,133.00
22	5,390.00	22	14,806.00
23	5,635.00	23	15,479.00

#### Tuition and Fees Per Summer Session

Summer 2027

See below: subject to additional fees.<sup>1</sup>

Texas Resident		Nonresident	
Semester Hours	Amount	Semester Hours	Amount
1	245.00	1	650.00
2	490.00	2	1,300.00
3	735.00	3	1,950.00
4	980.00	4	2,600.00

5	1,225.00	5	3,250.00
6	1,470.00	6	3,900.00
7	1,715.00	7	4,550.00
8	1,960.00	8	5,200.00
9	2,205.00	9	5,850.00
10	2,450.00	10	6,500.00
11	2,695.00	11	7,150.00
12	2,940.00	12	7,800.00
13	3,185.00	13	8,450.00
14	3,430.00	14	9,100.00
15	3,675.00	15	9,750.00
16	3,920.00	16	10,400.00
17	4,165.00	17	11,050.00
18	4,410.00	18	11,700.00
19	4,655.00	19	12,350.00
20	4,900.00	20	13,000.00
21	5,145.00	21	13,650.00
22	5,390.00	22	14,300.00
23	5,635.00	23	14,950.00

<sup>1</sup> Included in the amounts above are Tuition, Designated Tuition, Institutional Services Fee, Intercollegiate Athletic Fee, Student Service Fee, Medical Fee, Student Center Fee, and Recreational Sports Fee.

Course-related or program-related fees are examples of fees not included in the above estimates. Please review Explanation of Fees (p. 2) in this catalog.

## Explanation of Fees

The following information is not intended to be comprehensive and is subject to change. Tuition, fees, and charges are subject to change by action of the State Legislature or by action of the Board of Regents of The Texas State University System. The following tuition, fees, and charges information should be used only as a guideline for estimating costs. For more information, review SHSU's Cost of Attendance. (<https://www.shsu.edu/cost-aid/cost-attendance/>) For clarification of any matter relating to payment or refund of tuition, fees, charges, and deposits, contact the office or administrative unit from which the charge or refund originated.

Tuition and Designated Tuition: Resident students pay \$50 tuition per semester credit hour during academic year 2025-26 and \$50 tuition per semester credit hour during academic year 2026-27. Nonresident students (out-of-state and international) pay \$455 tuition per semester credit hour during academic year 2025-26 and \$478 per semester credit hour during academic year 2026-27. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board calculates each year the nonresident tuition. In addition, designated tuition is charged at the rate of \$20.00 per semester credit hour for academic year 2025-26 and \$20.00 per credit hour for academic year 2026-27.

## Residence Classification for Tuition Purposes

The Texas Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (<https://www.highered.texas.gov/>) establish the rules and regulations for determining residence classification. These rules are subject to revision by the legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Rules for Texas residency classification for University tuition are different from residency rules for voting, obtaining a Texas driver's license, or tax purposes. The deadline to update a residency status is the census date (Academic Calendar Q-drop day (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/registrar/calendars/academic-calendar.html>)) of each semester.

An individual's initial residency classification is determined based on information from his or her admission application. Texas law classifies each person who applies for admission to a Texas public college or university as:

- A resident of Texas;
- A nonresident; or
- A foreign (international) student.

A nonresident student may qualify to pay in-state tuition by meeting the requirements of a tuition waiver. Current tuition waiver options include but are not limited to

1. the student or his/her spouse or parent is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces and their home of record is Texas;
2. the student or his/her spouse or parent is employed at least half-time by an institution of higher education in Texas as a teacher or professor;

3. the student or his/her spouse or parent has a teaching or research assistantship at any Texas institution of higher education on at least a half-time basis;
4. the student holds a competitive scholarship ([https://www.shsu.edu/institutional-transparency/policy/academic-affairs/850822%20-%20Guidelines%20for%20Awarding%20Competitive%20Academic%20Scholarships/850822-competitive-academic-scholarships\\_2024.pdf](https://www.shsu.edu/institutional-transparency/policy/academic-affairs/850822%20-%20Guidelines%20for%20Awarding%20Competitive%20Academic%20Scholarships/850822-competitive-academic-scholarships_2024.pdf)) awarded by Sam Houston State University of at least \$1,000; or
5. the student or student's family has been transferred to Texas by a company in keeping with the state's Economic Development and Diversification Program.

By state law, the student has the responsibility of registering under the proper residence classification. For more information concerning the rules and regulations for determining Texas residence classification, visit residency (<https://www.shsu.edu/admissions/residency/>) or contact:

Residency Classification Officer  
Sam Houston State University  
Box 2418  
Huntsville, Texas 77341-2418  
(936) 294-1059

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## Payment Information

### Financial Responsibility

**Tuition and Fees:** Students must pay all tuition and fee balances in full by the applicable semester deadline established by the University. Failure to timely pay balances owed or make arrangements for installment payments may result in the student being unenrolled and dropped from course registrations. Payment dates will be published on the Student Account Services (Cashiers) Office website (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/student-account-services/cashiering-services/>).

### Payments

Payments made for registration purposes may be made by cash, cashier's check, personal check, or money order in the Student Account Services in Estill Classroom building, room 103. Online payment options include E-Check, International Wire, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Diner's Club, China Union, JCB, or Discover. All payment items are accepted subject to final payment.

### Installment Payment Plan

Sam Houston State University may offer students the option to pay tuition and fees in full or by installment for the fall, spring, and summer semesters of each academic year in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations, including Tex. Educ. Code §§ 54.007 and 54.0071 and The Texas State University System Rules & Regulations. Installment payment plan terms will be published on the Student Account Services (Cashiers) Office website (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/student-account-services/cashiering-services/>).

It should not be assumed by the student that the University will disenroll (drop their class schedule) them from their courses due to not meeting payment requirements. A student who discontinues going to class without officially resigning from the University will be subject to the grade of "F" in each course and will be financially responsible any university charges.

**STATUTORY WARNING: A STUDENT WHO FAILS TO MAKE FULL PAYMENT OF TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES, INCLUDING ANY INCIDENTAL FEES, BY THE DUE DATE MAY BE PROHIBITED FROM REGISTERING FOR CLASSES UNTIL FULL PAYMENT IS MADE. A STUDENT WHO FAILS TO MAKE PAYMENT PRIOR TO THE END OF THE SEMESTER OR TERM MAY BE DENIED CREDIT FOR WORK DONE THAT SEMESTER OR TERM.**

### Nonpayment of Tuition and Fees

**All Balances:** If a student fails to meet end-of-term payment requirements, the University may prohibit the student from enrolling in future semesters until the student's balance is paid in full. In addition, the University may pursue internal, or external debt collection as described our Past Due Balances web page at <https://www.shsu.edu/dept/sfs/pastdue.html>.

Students who pay fees with a returned item may suffer the above sanctions as well as those detailed in the following section.

### Collections for Nonpayment

Nonpayment by the end of the semester may result in transfer of the student's account to a contracted collection agency and assessment of a collection fee of up to 30 percent of the outstanding balance. The University may also choose to litigate an account on advice of University legal

counsel. Should an account be litigated, the student will be responsible for all litigation expenses including attorney's fees and court costs. Accounts that are referred to a contracted collection agency may also be reported to credit bureaus.

## Returned Item Policy

A returned item is defined as a payment tender returned to the University rightfully unpaid due to no fault of the bank or the University. The item may be paid by the student, or the item may be paid on the student's behalf by a spouse, guardian, friend or sponsor.

**The University reserves the right to refuse credit card and personal checks, including E-Checks, from any student who had any of the fore-mentioned items returned.**

Each returned item is subject to a \$25 processing fee. Students have 10 days from the date on which notice is sent from the Student Financial Services Office in which to pay the returned item and the resulting processing fee or inform the Student Financial Services Office of their intent. Thereafter, the student **may be resigned** from the University. (The student should not assume that he/she will be resigned. If the student discontinues going to class without officially resigning from school, he/she will be subject to the grade of F.) Students who have been resigned are eligible for reinstatement upon redemption of such item(s), plus the resulting processing fee(s) and the payment of a reinstatement charge of \$50. A student who fails to make payment prior to the first day of final exams will not receive credit for the work done that semester and will not be allowed to register for future semesters until the delinquent amount is paid. The student may also lose their class schedule for future enrolled semesters. In addition, the items may be referred to the District Attorney of Walker County for prosecution and collection. Past due accounts are referred to a credit reporting company.

Students will be given the opportunity to be heard regarding any special circumstances. Such circumstances will be given full and fair consideration, and exceptions to the returned check policy may be granted by the Office of Student Financial Services or by a delegated employee, based on the evidence presented.

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## Tuition and Fees Refund Policy

A student enrolled at Sam Houston State University (SHSU) may receive a refund of tuition and fees as a result of dropping courses or resigning from the university, as indicated in the following schedules.

Refunds and credits from one department will be applied to any other outstanding balances in other departments. Any remaining refund will be sent to the selected refund preference with BankMobile Disbursements, a technology solution powered by BMTX, Inc. The university may refund tuition and fees paid by a sponsor, donor, or scholarship to the source rather than directly to the student who has withdrawn if the funds were made available to the university.

Refund policies were established by Senate Bill No. 604 of the 65th Legislature and adopted by the Board of Regents, Texas State University System, in August of 1977, and by the applicable federal regulations regarding first-semester financial aid students.

## Dropping Courses

A student who drops one or more courses for any given term but remains enrolled in at least one course for the remainder of the semester as a student at this university may be eligible for refunds. There is a 100% refund (does not apply to students dropping to "0" hours) for dropping courses within the first 12 class days of fall, spring, and summer terms. Drops must be processed by 11:59 p.m. on the day of the deadline to receive a refund if courses have been paid in full. Students cannot drop their last course. A resignation must be submitted if dropping their only course for the term.

Students may drop courses online without the grade of "Q" until the census day of the term. See the Dropping Classes (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/registrar/registration/drop/>) and Resigning from SHSU (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/registrar/registration/resignations/>) webpages.

### Osteopathic Medical Students:

Students associated with the College of Osteopathic Medicine will be registered in course blocks required for promotion to the next semester. Osteopathic medical students are not permitted to drop individual courses that are a part of these blocks.

## Fall, Spring, and Summer Terms

Date	Refund %
First 12 class days	100%
After 12th class day	None

**NOTE:** Class days are university class days, not the number of days an individual class meets. Class days are to be counted from the first class meeting of on-campus courses as indicated in the Academic Calendar.

## Resignations/Withdrawals

Deadlines and dates may be found on the Resigning from SHSU (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/registrar/registration/resignations/>) webpage.

A resignation is a withdrawal from all courses and becomes effective on the date it is received by the Registrar's Office. The student is responsible for clearing all debts owed to the university before any potential refund is issued.

A resignation will not be allowed if a grade has been earned or a final has been taken.

Students who fail to officially resign from the university will receive the grade earned in each course in which they are enrolled. If a student is enrolled in only one course, they must resign. See Academic Policy Statement 990407 Student Resignations ([https://www.shsu.edu/institutional-transparency/policy/academic-affairs/990407%20-%20Student%20Resignations/990407-student-resignations\\_2025.pdf](https://www.shsu.edu/institutional-transparency/policy/academic-affairs/990407%20-%20Student%20Resignations/990407-student-resignations_2025.pdf)) for more information.

Students receiving financial aid who resign may be responsible for repaying certain types of aid received during the term. For more information, view the Return of Title IV Funds Policy (<https://intranet.shsu.edu/dept/financial-aid/policies-disclosures/TIVReturn.pdf>). Also, review the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (<https://www.shsu.edu/cost-aid/satisfactory-academic-progress/>) to better understand how this could impact future aid eligibility.

### NOTE:

- A resignation will withdraw a student from all registered courses in the entire term. A student cannot resign from a part of term if a grade has been earned in another part of term. Ex. If a student completes Summer I and is registered for Summer II, they will not be permitted to resign from Summer II.
- If this is your first-semester attending SHSU and you are resigning prior to the Census Day (12th Class day for Fall, Spring, Summer), a new admissions application and non-refundable application fee through ApplyTexas.org are required. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Admissions at 936-294-1828 or email Admissions ([admissions@shsu.edu](mailto:admissions@shsu.edu)). ([admissions@shsu.edu](mailto:admissions@shsu.edu))
- If a year or more has passed from the term of resignation, a new admissions application will be required. If you have any questions, please, contact the Office of Admissions at 936-294-1828 or email Admissions ([admissions@shsu.edu](mailto:admissions@shsu.edu)).

A student who is considering resigning should visit the Resigning from SHSU (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/registrar/registration/resignations/>) webpage.

## Tuition and Fees Refund Schedule

### Refund Schedule For Terms 10 Weeks or Greater

Date	Refund
Before the 1st class day	100% (Less \$15 Matriculation Fee)
1st class day through 5th class day	80%
Day after 5th class day through 10th class day	70%
Day after 10th class day through 15th class day	50%
Day after 15th class day through 20th class day	25%
Thereafter	No refund

### Refund Schedule For Terms Less Than 10 Weeks But Greater Than 5 Weeks

Date	Refund
Before the 1st class day	100% (Less \$15 Matriculation Fee)
1st class day through 3rd class day	80%
Day after 3rd class day through 6th class day	50%
Thereafter	No refund

### Refund Schedule For Terms Up To 5 Weeks

Date	Refund
Before the 1st class day	100% (Less \$15 Matriculation Fee)
1st class day	80%
2nd class day	50%
3rd class day and thereafter	No refund

**NOTE:**

- Class days are university class days, not the number of days an individual class meets. Class days are to be counted from the first class meeting of on-campus courses as indicated in the Academic Calendar.
- Once a class day ends, any refund will be calculated using the subsequent refund percentage. (Example: If a resignation is received on the weekend, it will be calculated using the refund percentage for the following class day, not the preceding class day.) The student's last date of attendance/engagement in the course may be used for determining any refund.

The above refund schedules assume all fees have been paid in full. A different schedule applies to installment payment plan participants. Therefore, it is possible that a student enrolled in an installment payment plan could owe **more** in tuition and fees than already collected by the university.

Students who receive Title IV aid and resign on or before completing 60% of the semester will be required to repay the percentage of unearned financial aid according to the federal "Return to Title IV Aid" formula derived from the 1998 Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. Students who receive Title IV aid should contact Financial Aid & Scholarships (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/financial-aid-scholarships-office/>) for specifics.

Repayments are to be returned to lenders and/or program accounts in the following statutorily specified order, provided the student has received funds through the program:

1. Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
2. Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan
3. Federal Perkins Loans
4. Federal PLUS Loans
5. Other federal, state, private or institutional sources of aid
6. The student

More details regarding the Return to Title IV Aid policy (<https://intranet.shsu.edu/dept/financial-aid/policies-disclosures/TIVReturn.pdf>) may be obtained through the Financial Aid & Scholarships (<https://www.shsu.edu/offices-departments/financial-aid-scholarships-office/>) website or by visiting the Financial Aid Office located on the 2nd floor of the Estill Building.