

## Tuition & Fees

Tuition at Lower Columbia College is set by the Washington State Legislature and may change according to the State's budget situation. Find the current tuition and fee information online or in the LCC Admissions Center. See below for contact and other important information.

Phone number for Cashiering: **(360) 442-2210**

Phone number for Registration: **(360) 442-2370**

Webpage for tuition & fee rates: [lowercolumbia.edu/tuition](http://lowercolumbia.edu/tuition)

Webpage for Veterans' information: [lowercolumbia.edu/veterans](http://lowercolumbia.edu/veterans)

Cashiering and Registration located in Admissions Center (ADC)

Veterans' Services located in Student Center (STC)

### Residency Classifications

The Washington State Legislature sets requirements and procedures for determining a student's residency classification.

The Registration Office will make an initial determination of residency status from the information provided on the student's Application for Admission and notify those who have been classified as a nonresident at the time of registration.

To request a review of nonresident status or apply for reclassification, the student must submit a complete Residency Questionnaire with the required documentation to the Registrar no more than 30 calendar days after classes begin. It is up to the student to prove residency, and inadequate or erroneous documentation may result in denial of reclassification for that particular quarter.

### Washington State Residents

Washington State Resident students must verify that they have lived in Washington for one year and have established residency in the State of Washington, including U.S. Citizenship. If residency cannot be determined at the time of registration, the student will be required to pay non-resident tuition and fees. Complete residency rules are detailed in RCW 28B.15.012.

Students who are not a permanent resident or U.S. Citizen may be eligible for reduced tuition, if they have resided in Washington State for three years immediately prior to receiving a high school diploma and completed the full senior year at a Washington high school or completed the equivalent of a high school diploma. To determine eligibility, contact the LCC Registrar at (360) 442-2372.

### Oregon Border Residents

Residents of Oregon Border Counties (Columbia, Clackamas, Clatsop, Multnomah, Washington) for 90 days may qualify for a reduced rate.

### Non-Residents

Individuals who do not otherwise qualify as "resident students" under the provisions of RCW 28B.15.012 and RCW 28B.15.013 pay the non-resident rate. See also: International Students.

### International Students

Those who are not eligible to pay the "Washington State Residents," "Oregon Border Residents," or "Non-Residents" rate, pay the International rate.

### Veterans

Veterans of the Desert Storm, Iraqi Freedom and Afghanistan conflicts may be eligible for reduced tuition and fees. For details see [lowercolumbia.edu/veterans](http://lowercolumbia.edu/veterans) or visit the Veterans' Office in the Student Center.

### Special Audit Rate for Senior Citizens

If space is available after the first class meeting, Washington residents 60 or older may audit up to two classes for \$2.50 per class plus applicable fees. Audit rate applies to credit classes only.

### Tuition Waivers

Students may qualify for reduced tuition if they are a:

- Classified state employee or Washington Public Higher Education Employee
- Student seeking a high school diploma
- Student enrolled in more than 18 credits of vocational classes
- Washington National Guard member

For details, contact the Registration Office, (360) 442-2370.

### Miscellaneous Fees

In addition to tuition, LCC students may be assessed fees based on program and course selections. Current charges are listed in the class schedule and online at [lowercolumbia.edu/tuition](http://lowercolumbia.edu/tuition).

### Adult Basic Education (ABE)

Students enrolling in Adult Basic Education (ABE) courses pay \$25 per quarter.

## Apprenticeship

Students enrolled in apprenticeship programs pay per credit (\$54.00) and per clock hour (\$3.60) fees. They also pay the Technology, Facilities, Tutoring Center and Fitness Center Upgrade fees.

## Computer Lab

A fee of \$27.10 per class is charged for certain classes identified in the course listings section of the catalog.

## Distance Education

A fee is charged for courses that use LCC's Learning Management System, CANVAS or other online systems. The Distance Education fee is \$6.00 per credit (up to 10 credits) for each class. Distance Education Hybrid and Enhanced classes require a Distance Education fee of \$3.00 per credit (up to 10 credits).

## English as a Second Language (ESL)

Students enrolling in English as a Second Language (ESL) courses pay \$25 per quarter.

## Facilities

Quarterly tuition includes a \$1.60 per credit (up to 18 credits) fee for facilities maintenance and college security.

## Fitness Center Upgrade

Quarterly tuition includes a \$2.50 per credit (up to 10 credits) fee to fund an upgrade of the campus fitness center.

## Fitness Center Use

The Fitness Center User fee is a flat \$20.00 per student per quarter.

## GED Courses

Students enrolling in GED preparation courses pay \$25 per quarter.

## GED Testing

\$120 for first time on all four tests. Re-testing: \$30 per test.

## High School Completion

Students taking courses to earn a high school diploma are charged a per credit fee based upon residency status (\$53.80 per credit for residents and \$107.59 for non-residents). They also pay the Technology, Facilities, Tutoring Center, Matriculation, Fitness Center Use and Fitness Center Upgrade fees.

## ID Card Replacement

All new LCC students are provided with an identification (ID) card. ID cards are required for campus services such as the library, computer labs and testing centers. Student ID cards are available in the LCC Bookstore. The ID card is NOT issued quarterly; it is valid for the duration of the student's time at LCC. The charge for a replacement ID card is \$10.00.

## Lab

Nonrefundable lab fees are collected for certain classes. Where applicable, this fee is shown with class listings in the class schedule.

## LCC Employees

Eligible LCC employees pay \$10 per class, plus applicable fees.

## Matriculation

Quarterly tuition includes a matriculation fee of \$1.50/credit, up to 10 credits.

## Parking Permit Replacement

All LCC students are provided with a parking permit each year at no charge once tuition arrangements have been made. Permits are valid for the entire academic year (fall through summer). Permits can be picked up at Cashiering in Admissions. The charge for a replacement parking permit is \$10.00.

## Resident Excess Credit

Residents pay \$96.53 per credit above 18 credits.

## Running Start

Running Start students will be charged tuition for college credits exceeding 15 in any one quarter (charged at the 1-10 credit tuition rates for 16 credits and above). This does not apply to those enrolled in vocational programs or at Skills Centers. Running Start students are responsible for paying applicable college fees.

## Technology

Quarterly tuition includes a \$3.00 per credit (up to 12 credits) technology fee. A photo ID card, which serves as your activities card, library card and computer lab card, is issued as part of this fee. The ID card is not issued quarterly; it is valid as long as you are at LCC. See "ID Card Replacement" for lost, stolen, or damaged cards.

## Transcript

A \$10.00 fee is charged for each official transcript requested. Unofficial transcripts can be printed from the online services page on the LCC website.

## Tutoring Center

Quarterly tuition includes a \$.50 per credit fee (up to 10 credits) to fund tutoring services available to all LCC students in most courses.

## Vocational Excess Credit

Vocational students taking over 18 credits who meet certain requirements pay only \$7 per credit (residents); non-residents over 18 credits pay \$28.

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