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Payment of tuition, fees, books, room and board are due by the payment due date (see academic calendar for specific dates at www.blinn.edu). A payment plan is available for tuition, fees, room and board (see Installment Payment Plan). Internet registration requires payment by the stated due date. Failure to pay by the due date will result in the student being dropped from classes.

TUITION, FEES, AND ALL OTHER CHARGES LISTED IN THIS CATALOG WERE THOSE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE CATALOG WAS SUBMITTED TO THE PRINTER. THE COLLEGE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE ANY OR ALL SUCH CHARGES AT THE BEGINNING OF ANY SEMESTER WITHOUT NOTICE AS A RESULT OF ACTIONS BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE OR THE BLINN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. PLEASE CHECK THE COLLEGE WEB SITE, www.blinn.edu, FOR CURRENT CHARGES.

Tuition and General Fee

Tuition	Per Semester Hour
In-District Tuition	\$40.00
Out-of-District Tuition	81.00
Out-of-State/International Tuition	159.00
General Fee	32.00

**Tuition and General Fee Schedule - All Semesters
Effective Fall Semester, 2011
(Minimum charge is for 3 semester hours.)**

Semester Hours	Total In-District Students	Total Out-District Students	Total Out-of-State/International Students
1-3	\$216.00	\$339.00	\$573.00
4	288.00	452.00	764.00
5	360.00	565.00	955.00
6	432.00	678.00	1,146.00
7	504.00	791.00	1,337.00
8	576.00	904.00	1,528.00
9	648.00	1,017.00	1,719.00
10	720.00	1,130.00	1,910.00
11	792.00	1,243.00	2,101.00
12	864.00	1,356.00	2,292.00
13	936.00	1,469.00	2,483.00
14	1,008.00	1,582.00	2,674.00
15	1,080.00	1,695.00	2,865.00
16	1,152.00	1,808.00	3,056.00
17	1,224.00	1,921.00	3,247.00
18	1,296.00	2,034.00	3,438.00
19	1,368.00	2,147.00	3,629.00
20	1,440.00	2,260.00	3,820.00
21	1,512.00	2,373.00	4,011.00
22	1,584.00	2,486.00	4,202.00
23	1,656.00	2,599.00	4,393.00
24	1,728.00	2,712.00	4,584.00

High School Dual Credit

Tuition	Per Semester Hour
In-District Tuition	\$40.00
Out-of-District	81.00
General Fee	14.00

Semester Hours	Total In-District*	Total Out-of-District
1-3	\$162.00	\$285.00
4	216.00	380.00
5	270.00	475.00
6	324.00	570.00
7	378.00	665.00

* The Board of Trustees has waived the Dual Credit Tuition and Fee for In-District Students
In-District Students (Students who have legal residence in Washington County, Texas)
Out-of-District Students (Students who have legal residence in Texas but not Washington County)
Out-of-State/International Students (Students who reside outside the state of Texas or outside the United States)
High School Dual Credit Students (Students who are enrolled in dual credit [high school/college] courses)

General Property Deposit

The Board of Trustees has determined not to collect a general property deposit. However, students shall be held responsible for the payment of damages to and/or lost or stolen college property, and for all unpaid accounts and insufficient checks. Students owing the college for damaged, stolen or lost college property or unpaid accounts will not receive an official transcript or college credits. The college may also suspend or dismiss such students from class, and/or refuse re-admittance to the college. Unpaid accounts are subject to the College's collection policy.

Nonfunded Course Tuition

If you are enrolling in a course which you have previously taken two or more times and have received a grade of A-F, W, Q, QF, you will be charged an additional \$50 per semester credit hour (SCH) for the course. This charge will be added to your student account the business day following your registration session. These additional charges must be paid prior to the end of late registration or your account will be put on hold. The following groups of students are exempt from this Nonfunded Course Tuition charge:

1. Foreign or Out-of-State students.
2. Those who have already received a Bachelor's degree.
3. Those who have course work prior to Fall 1996.
4. Remedial courses.
5. Technical courses.

Music Lesson Fees

Music (voice, piano, or music instrument, two credit hours (50 minutes per week).....	\$175.00
Music (voice, piano, or music instrument, one credit hour (30 minutes per week)	100.00

Non-Refundable Fees

(Per Semester unless otherwise noted)

Allied Health Liability Fee	\$10.00
Class Change Fee in Person (per form)	15.00
Class Change Fee via myBlinn (on-line).....	No Charge
Credit by Examination (CLEP)	No Charge
Emergency Medical Services Student Liability Fee.....	30.00
Foreign Student Application Fee	200.00
Graduation Fee.....	No Charge
Installment Plan Fee	25.00
Internet Connection Fee (Resident Students)	No Charge
Nonfunded Course Tuition (See Above).....	50.00 SCH
Overnight Refund Fee.....	30.00
Replacement of Identification Card Fee	7.00
Replacement Fee, Blinn Bucs Card (See Blinn Bucs Refund Card)	20.00
Registration Fee	No Charge
Late Registration Fee.....	100.00
Reinstatement Fee (before the official day of record and/or excessive absences).....	50.00 per class
Reinstatement Fee (after the official day of record)	50.00 per semester credit hour
Returned Check Fee.....	25.00
Transcript (Electronic).....	No Charge
Transcript (Official Hard Copy)	7.00
Vehicle Registration Fee (Fall and Spring Semester).....	50.00
Vehicle Registration Fee (Spring Semester Only).....	25.00
Vehicle Registration Fee (Summer Only).....	25.00
Vocational Nursing Testing Fee.....	15.00

Fees By Course

Course-specific fees are listed in the *Course Schedule* next to the individual course listed. Some Physical education classes have facility-use fees and are listed next to the applicable class in the *Course Schedule*.

Allied Health Program Fees

There is a \$300 program fee (per semester) for the following Allied Health programs: Associate Degree Nursing; Dental Hygiene; Emergency Medical Technician (Paramedic only); Physical Therapist Assistant; Radiologic Technology; and Vocational Nursing.

Alternative Teaching Certificate

Application Fee.....	\$40.00
Program Tuition	3,200.00
Re-enrollment Fee	200.00
Long Term Substitute Fee.....	400.00
Makeup Session Fee	100.00
Principal Hire Fee	400.00

Auditing of Courses

Three Hour Course	\$55.00
Four Hour Course	65.00

Testing Fees

ACCUPLACER/COMPASS Test.....	\$45.00
GED Test.....	85.00
TEAS	45.00
HOBET	35.00
THEA Quick Test.....	40.00
Additional Score Report	10.00
Proctored Exam (Non-Blinn Student)	25.00



FOOD SERVICE FOR CAMPUS HOUSING

(Available on Brenham Campus Only)

Food Service Prices Per Semester

Flexible Meal Plan.....	\$1,350.00
Full Meal Plan (Scholarship).....	1,350.00
Blinn Bucs - Cafeteria or The Cove	
Residence Hall Plan (Minimum for Residence Halls).....	750.00
Summer (per term).....	210.00
Apartment Meal Plan (Minimum for Apartments).....	450.00
Summer (per term).....	160.00
May Minimester.....	150.00
Additional Purchase (minimum).....	25.00

Meal plans cannot be carried over to the following semester or refunded.

Individual Meal Prices

Breakfast.....	\$6.25
Lunch.....	7.25
Dinner.....	6.75

All prices include sales tax (8.25%) and are subject to change without notice.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

(Cost is per semester, two students per room)

Deposit.....	\$300.00
Housing Agreement Buy-Out Fee.....	400.00

Residence Hall With Semi-Private Room

Residence Hall	Room Rent	Residence Hall Meal Plan (Required)	Total
Melcher	\$1,250.00	\$750.00	\$2,000.00
Beazley	1,250.00	750.00	2,000.00
Helman	1,250.00	750.00	2,000.00
Hallstein	1,250.00	750.00	2,000.00
Buccaneer	1,200.00	750.00	1,950.00
Lockett	1,200.00	750.00	1,950.00
Katherine Atkinson	1,050.00	750.00	1,800.00
Spencer	1,075.00	750.00	1,825.00
Holleman	875.00	750.00	1,625.00
Memorial	875.00	750.00	1,625.00
Solons	875.00	750.00	1,625.00
Private Room-Additional	425.00		
Summer (each term)	350.00	210.00	560.00
Private Room-Additional Summer (each term)	125.00		
Minimester	250.00	150.00	400.00

Bert and Mae Dean Wheeler Residence Hall

(Cost is per semester)

	Room Rent	Residence Hall Meal Plan (Required)	Total
Semi-Private Bedroom	\$2,200.00	\$750.00	\$2,950.00
Private Bedroom	2,500.00	750.00	3,250.00
Private Bedroom/Private Bath	2,800.00	750.00	3,550.00

Blinn College Park Apartments

(Cost is per semester, one student per room)

Deposit.....	\$300.00
Housing Agreement Buy-Out Fee.....	400.00

Apartments	Room Rent	Apartment Meal Plan (Required)	Total
Four Bedroom Units	\$2,200.00	\$450.00	\$2,650.00
Two Bedroom Units	2,250.00	450.00	2,700.00
Summer (Per Term)	600.00	160.00	760.00
Minimester	325.00	150.00	475.00

Library Fees and Fines

Overdue Charges	
General circulation.....	25 cents/day, maximum of \$10.00 per book
Reserve circulation (1 – 2 hour use in library only).....	25 cents/hour, maximum of \$10.00 per book
Reserve circulation (3/5 day).....	\$1.00/day, maximum of \$10.00 per book
Lost Material Charges	
Price of item.....	\$30.00 minimum if out of print
Fines owed.....	\$10.00 per item maximum (not refundable)
Processing fee.....	\$10.00 per item (not refundable)
Binding fee.....	Actual Cost
Damaged Materials Charges	
Depends upon damage and repairs needed -- ranges from the cost of the entire book, to rebinding charge to \$3.00 repair charge	
Photo Copies.....	10 cents per copy
Microform Copies.....	15 cents per copy
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	
Charges billed to the College by TexShare libraries for bills owed to them by the student	
Library and Computer Labs	
Printing Charges: First \$15 at No Charge, then..... 7 cents per copy, 12 cents duplexed page	

Vehicle Parking Fines

Parking Tickets (Per Violation).....	\$40.00
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Fines in Relation to Student Housing Facilities

1. Key Replacement (resident halls).....	\$25.00
2. Key Replacement (apartments).....	50.00
3. Lock change out (resident halls).....	50.00
4. Lock change out (apartments).....	150.00
5. Improper room check-out.....	\$5.00 to \$25.00 (depending upon condition)
6. Failure to check-out at end of semesters.....	25.00
7. Failure to return key at check out (resident halls).....	50.00
8. Failure to return key at check-out (apartments).....	150.00

All outstanding fines and fees must be paid in full prior to registration.

Installment Payment Plan

Blinn College offers a payment plan through NelNet Business Solutions (formerly FACTS Management) for the total of tuition, fees, room and board. Students must sign up for the payment plan online through the MY BLINN registration system. Payment options vary by semester and registration date. Payment plans are not available for the minimester or summer semesters.

A student who fails to make full payment for their balance due, including incidental fees, by the final payment due date will be prohibited from registering for classes until the balance due is paid in full. A student who fails to make payment prior to the end of the semester may be denied credit for the work done that semester.

The Payee (Blinn College) reserves the right to withdraw the student from class if the Note (balance due) is not paid in full by the final payment due date. If the Promiser (student) is withdrawn and subsequently pays the balance due in full, the Promiser may petition the Registrar, through Enrollment Services, for reinstatement.

Return Check Policy

When notification is received by the college that a check has been returned unpaid, the student responsible for the check is sent notice by certified mail giving 15 days to redeem the check with cash or certified funds and pay the service fee. If not redeemed within the 15 day period, the returned check may be submitted to local authorities for collection or turned over to a collection agency.

Once the student's account reflects the return of an unpaid check, the college may require future payment to be by cash or certified funds. The student's account will remain on hold until payment is made.

Use of Collection Agencies

If student accounts become past due, the College will initiate internal collection efforts, which may consist of correspondence. As a final effort, the College may employ an outside collection agency.

State Tuition Rebate Program

Texas Education Code (54.0065) authorizes tuition rebates for students who complete a baccalaureate degree with no more than 3 credits in excess of those required for their degrees. To be eligible for rebates under this program, students must meet all of the following conditions: (1) they must have enrolled for the first time in an institution of higher education in the fall 1997 semester or later, (2) they must be requesting a rebate for work related to a first baccalaureate degree received from a Texas public university, (3) they must be a resident of Texas, must have attempted all coursework at a Texas public institution of higher education, and have been entitled to pay resident tuition at all times while pursuing the degree, and (4) they must attempt no more than 3 hours in excess of the maximum number of semester credit hours required to complete the degree under the catalog under which they were graduated.

The amount of tuition to be rebated to a student under this program is \$1,000, unless the total amount of undergraduate tuition paid by the student to the institution awarding the degree was less than \$1,000, in which event the amount of tuition to be rebated is an amount equal to the amount of undergraduate tuition paid by the student to the institution. For additional information, contact the baccalaureate-granting institution to which you are planning to transfer.

Refund Policy

Drop/Withdrawal from College

Tuition and Mandatory Fees

Drops and withdrawal from college are official at the time that the Office of Admissions and Records is notified. Notification should be made in person or in writing. Students will have their tuition and mandatory fees refunded 100% before the first class date. After that time, students who drop or withdraw from classes will have their tuition and mandatory fees refunded according to the following schedule:

Drop/Withdrawal Schedule Texas Administrative Code (Chapter 19, § 21.5) <i>Blinn College Board Policy FBB (Legal)</i>		
Length of Class Term in Weeks	Last day for 70 percent refund	Last day for 25 percent refund
2 or less	2nd class day	n/a
*3	3rd class day	4th class day
4	4th class day	5th class day
5	5th class day	6th class day
**6	5th class day	7th class day
7	7th class day	9th class day
***8	8th class day	10th class day
9	9th class day	11th class day
****10	9th class day	12th class day
11	10th class day	14th class day
12	12th class day	15th class day
13	13th class day	16th class day
14	13th class day	17th class day
15	14th class day	19th class day
*****16	15th class day	20th class day

* Minimester

** Summer I & II Semesters

*** 8 Week Semester

**** 10 Week Summer Semesters

***** Fall and Spring Semesters

Tuition and fees paid directly to the institution by a sponsor, donor, or scholarship shall be refunded to the source rather than directly to the student. If a student who has a scholarship withdraws before the end of the semester, the scholarship is revoked and the student may be required to repay the scholarship fund.

Non-Mandatory Fees

Students who withdraw prior to the first day of class will have all non-mandatory fees refunded. Students who withdraw on or after the first day of class will be refunded as follows:

- (1) The refund on room and board is proportional with no room refund after the eighth week.
- (2) There is no refund on vehicle registration fee.

Blinn Bucs Refund Card

All Blinn College student refunds are issued through Higher One, a financial services company focused exclusively on higher education. Blinn College no longer issues refund checks; all refunds are processed through Higher One. Higher One offers Blinn College students a choice in the timing and the delivery of student refunds. The initial Blinn Bucs refund card is issued to Blinn College students at no cost and automatically sent to the students mailing address; however, there is a \$20 fee to re-issue the card. Students and parents can learn more about the Blinn Bucs refund card through the Business Office website, <http://www.blinn.edu/businessoffice/>. Students can activate their refund card and learn more about Higher One services and fees at <http://www.blinnbucs.com>.

Return of Title IV Funds

If a student withdraws prior to the receipt of aid, the aid award is cancelled. If a student withdraws on or before the 60% point in time of period of enrollment, calculated using calendar days, a portion of the total of all Title IV funds awarded to a student (Pell Grant, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Stafford Loan, Federal PLUS Loans and Academic Competitive Grant) must be returned, according to the provisions of the Higher Education Act Amendments of 1998. The calculation of the return of these funds may result in the student owing a balance to the college and/or the Federal Government. The Business Office must send refunds applied to Stafford and SLS loans directly to the lender. If the student retains a balance, their account will be placed on hold until such time that the balance is repaid. These accounts will be subject to collection actions by the College.

Military Service

If a student withdraws because he or she is called to active military service, the College District, at the student's option, shall refund the tuition and fees paid by the student for the semester in which the student withdraws.

Education Code 54.006(f) *Blinn College Board Policy FBB (Legal)*