TUITION AND FEES

Credit Tuition

Rates for Academic Year 2025-2026

Fee	Cost
Residents of Harford County	$144.00 per credit hour
Residents of Maryland - Outside of Harford County	$250.00 per credit hour
Non-residents of Maryland/Out-of-Country Residents	$355.00 per credit hour
Consolidated Service [1]	$29.00 per credit hour

[1] *The Consolidated Service fees supports costs associated with student registration, transcripts, academic programing, athletics and student clubs, library resources, learning services, access to student technology requirements and campus infrastructure.*

Rates for academic year 2025-2026 are subject to change at any time per the action of the Harford Community College Board of Trustees. Tuition and fees are non-refundable after the refund deadline. If you do not plan on attending classes, you must officially drop your classes within the stated refund period in order to avoid an outstanding financial obligation to the college. Non-attendance does not constitute a refund or removal of the debt. Please see the academic calendar (https://catalog.harford.edu/academic-calendar/) for refund and withdrawal deadlines for the semester. More information on the Cost of Attendance (https://www.harford.edu/admissions/financial-aid/cost-of-attendance.php) can be found on the Financial Aid website.

Residency and Tuition Procedure

Students at Harford Community College are charged tuition according to their residency. A student's residency is determined at the time of admission to the College. For the purposes of assessing tuition charges, Harford Community College adheres to guidelines established by the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the Code of Maryland Regulations. For complete details, please read the Residency and Tuition Procedure (https://catalog.harford.edu/enrollment-information-policies/#residency) under Enrollment Information and Procedures in the academic catalog for the current academic year.

Additional Fees

Fee	Cost
Credit by Examination Fee (Division Exams Only)	50% of the in-county tuition based on course credit hours
Transcript Fee (electronic)	$7
Returned Check Fee	$35
Returned ACH Fee	$25
Parking Citation	$50 (Handicap Zone: $150)

Course fees vary. Fees are noted within course listing. If you have a scholarship, loan, or other form of financial assistance, you must contact the Financial Aid Office to ensure all of your documentation has been received and your registration is held.

Responsibility for Payment of Tuition and Fees

When submitting your registration, you assume responsibility for tuition, fees, and charges. Tuition and fees are non-refundable after the refund deadline. In order to avoid an outstanding financial obligation to the college, you must officially drop your class within the stated refund period. Non-attendance does not constitute a refund or removal of the debt. Refund dates can be found on the academic calendar (https://catalog.harford.edu/academic-calendar/).

The Finance Office performs account collections for HCC. If the Finance Office collection efforts are unsuccessful, or if any mail correspondence is returned by the USPS as undeliverable, the account will be transferred to the Central Collection Unit of the State of Maryland (CCU). A collection fee equal to 17% of the outstanding debt will be charged to the transferred account. This debt may be reported to the credit bureaus. College services, including registration, will be suspended until the outstanding debt with CCU has been satisfied in full.

Payment Schedules

If you register for an upcoming term more than one week before the due date for that term, an e-bill notification will be emailed to your OwlMail address explaining how to view and/or print your e-bill. It is your responsibility to monitor your HCC OwlMail. If payment is not received by the due date your registration will be canceled.

If you register for an upcoming term less than one week before the payment due date for that term, or if you register after the payment due date, you will not receive an e-bill. In this event, you can view your account and amount due through OwlNet by clicking on the Registration and Payments card and then clicking View Your Bill and Tax Statements. If you register subsequent to the due date, payment is due within ten days of the date you register or you registration will be canceled.

Non-attendance of classes does not constitute a refund or removal of the debt to the College. Refund deadlines can be found in the academic calendar (https://catalog.harford.edu/academic-calendar/).

How to Pay

Cash, Check, or Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express)

- **In-Person:** at the Cashier's Office, located in the Student Center;
- **Online through OwlNet:** Click on Registration and Payments card - Pay for Classes / Set Up a Payment Plan
- **By Mail:** check only (no cash or credit cards by mail).

  Checks payable to HCC should be mailed to:
  Harford Community College-Attn: Cashiers Office
  401 Thomas Run Road
  Bel Air, MD 21015

  Please include the student's name and ID# for all mail-in payments.
- **Telephone** (credit card only) by calling the Cashier's Office at 443-412-2208.

Early payment is encouraged.

Transact Payment Plan

The College has contracted with Transact to make available an installment plan for the fall, spring and summer semesters. To establish a payment plan, students need to complete an online application form. An application fee and down-payment must be paid when the plan is set up.

The remaining balance will be payable in multiple installments of one or more payments based on date the plan is created.

If autopay is elected, your down-payment and subsequent payments will come directly out of your designated bank or credit card account. The $30.00 application fee and down-payment will be immediately withdrawn at the time the plan is established. Each Transact payment plan is only valid for one term. A new Transact online application must be completed for future terms as desired.

Email Notifications

The student will be notified of changes in their Transact payments by email. It is important that the student provide a valid email address and check their email for correspondence regarding their Transact agreement and upcoming payments.

Aid & Waivers

Dual Enrollment High School Waiver

Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) high school students can apply to receive funding for tuition, fees, and textbooks under the Blueprint for Maryland's Future. Students must be approved by HCPS and can apply for eligibility through the Student Planner during the annual scheduling process at their individual high school. HCPS will send the student an email with their approval status to their HCPS account. Tuition and fee waivers will automatically be applied to students approved for dual enrollment. HCC waives 25% of tuition for any credit courses a student enrolls in during the approved academic year and HCPS pays an additional 75% for a total tuition discount of 100%. HCPS also pays 100% of course fees and all relevant textbook costs. For specific account details, please contact the Cashiers office at 443-412-2208. For additional information on eligibility requirements and how to apply, contact your high school counseling office. Please note, this waiver only applies to HCPS. Non-HCPS student must adhere to the College's traditional admissions and dual enrollment procedures.

Health Manpower Waiver

Students who are out-of-county residents may be eligible for the Health Manpower Waiver if enrolled in an eligible state designated program. This waiver was originally intended to reduce tuition to the in-county rate. Students enrolling in the program will be required to pay the full amount of tuition (based on residency) by the payment deadline for the semester. However, at the end of the fiscal year (June 30 or later), eligible students **may** receive a partial reimbursement of the tuition paid. This reimbursement will depend on the level of funding received from the state for that fiscal year. The reimbursement would be no greater than the difference between the student's out-of-county and in-county tuition. Contact the Financial Aid Office at 443-412-2257 for more information.

Need-Based Aid

Federal and State financial aid programs, as well as scholarships, are available to financially eligible students. Information and applications are available at the Financial Aid Office in the Student Center.

Merit-Based Aid

State and private scholarships are available to academically eligible students. Information and applications are available at the Financial Aid Office in the Student Center.

Veterans' Benefits

Students who are eligible for monthly VA benefits may apply for those benefits at the Financial Aid Office in the Student Center or at the Military & Veteran Services Office located in Building 4305 at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Students must pay tuition and fees but are reimbursed through their VA educational benefits. Information about VA educational benefits is available at the Financial Aid Office, the Military & Veteran Services Office, and through the VA website at www.gibill.va.gov (http://www.gibill.va.gov).

Tuition Waiver for Employees of In-County Businesses

Students that have established six (6) months or longer permanent, full-time (a minimum of 32 hours/week) continuous employment with a Harford County business as of the start of a semester may apply to have their out-of-county or out-of-state tuition waived (difference only between in-county and out-of-county/state tuition) for credit classes for that semester. Employment cannot be seasonal in nature. The student pays the full consolidated fees and any course fees. A student's tuition will be adjusted to the in-county rate once the student submits the required documentation, and gets the approval of the college Finance office. Employment documentation must be submitted at the beginning of each term.

The required documentation consists of:

1. A copy of two (2) recent paystubs (last 4-digits of social security number, name, address, date, and number of hours worked must be visible; rate of pay can be blacked out). and
2. On the employer's official letterhead, a statement of the student's full-time employment, dated and signed by an authorized representative of the company (original must be submitted), with contact information.
   or
   If the employer's letterhead displays an address outside of Harford County, Maryland then the student will need to submit an [1] Employer In-County Waiver Form with the appropriate information completed and signed by the employer.

[1] *The Employer In-County Waiver Form can be picked up at the Cashier's office.*

Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver

Any resident of the State of Maryland who is 60 years or older by the start date of a state-supported course shall be exempt from the payment of credit tuition provided course space is available. Seniors should note that all fees must be paid regardless of the waiver of tuition. Students eligible for the senior waiver should contact the Cashiers Office at 443-412-2208 to request the waiver.

Tuition Waiver for Parents of Deaf or Hard of Hearing Individuals

Under House Bill 1384 (effective October 1, 2019), the parent of a deaf or hard of hearing child is exempt from paying tuition at a public institution of higher education for any course that teaches a language or communication mode. This waiver applies to tuition only and all applicable fees must be paid. Students should contact the Cashiers Office at 443-412-2208 to verify eligibility and request the waiver.

Disability Tuition Waiver

Students who receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), or those receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) can be eligible students for this waiver. The tuition waiver is limited to 6 credits per semester if in an undeclared major and 12 credits per semester if in a declared program

of study. To receive the Disability Tuition Waiver, you must be a Maryland resident and be receiving disability benefits from one of the following retirement systems:

1. Social Security Administration: Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
2. Railroad Retirement Board, or
3. A Federal Retirement/Pension System (instead of the Social Security System) for former federal employees receiving total and permanent disability.

Steps to Apply -Submitted paperwork is good for the academic year (fall-spring-summer)

1. Complete an HCC Certification of Disability Form (Available online at www.harford.edu (http://www.harford.edu) and at Cashiers Office).
2. Obtain a Statement of Benefits from the Social Security Administration- must indicate the type of social security benefit being paid to the student.
3. Complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov (http://www.fafsa.gov) by March 1st of each year.
4. Present the completed HCC Certification of Disability Form and Statement of Social Security Disability Benefits to the Financial Aid Office for verification of eligibility and aid status.
5. Once approved (stamped) by Financial Aid, deliver to the Cashiers Office. Allow 2 to 3 business days for the waiver to apply.

Visit www.harford.edu (http://www.harford.edu) or contact Financial Aid or Cashiers Office for more information.

MD National Guard Tuition Waiver

Members of the Maryland National Guard are designated as "in state" and "in county" for residency purposes and are entitled to a credit class waiver of 50% of "in county" tuition. Additionally, all fees for classes taken at Maryland National Guard sites are waived. Student and class fees will be charged for classes taken at non-Maryland National Guard locations.

Eligible students must provide a letter from the Maryland Adjutant General certifying that the member of the Maryland National Guard has at least 24 months remaining to serve or has agreed, in writing, to serve for a minimum of 24 months.

MD National Guard Dependents

Dependent spouses and children of a member of the Maryland National Guard and Maryland Air Guard may request a credit class tuition and fee waiver when a Guard member is called to active duty for a minimum period of six (6) continuous months of service. Eligibility for the waiver for a given semester will be determined by the military status of the Guard member as of the date of the start of a regular fall or spring semester or the start of the first summer session. Eligible students must provide a copy of the spouse's/parent's military orders to active duty and a visual confirmation of the dependent military identification card must be made by a Harford Community College representative.

Maryland Foster Care Recipient

Students who have resided in a foster-care home in Maryland are eligible for a waiver of tuition and fees not covered by other financial aid. The student must complete the FAFSA by March 1 of each year

and be enrolled in a degree program. Call the Financial Aid Office at 443-412-2257 for information.

Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Waiver

House Bill 482 provides an exemption of tuition and fees to unaccompanied homeless youth who are enrolled as a candidate for an associate degree, bachelor's degree, or vocational certificate at a Maryland public institution of higher education.

Qualifications: Students must be declared an unaccompanied homeless youth who is not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian and be defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act as a homeless child or youth. Contact the HCC Financial Aid Office at 443-412-2257 for details on eligibility criteria.