Mercy College of Health Sciences
2020-2021 Academic Year Tuition and Fee List

College Catalog Appendix A

Tuition and fees listed below are for the academic year identified above with an effective date even with the first billing date of the fall term. Tuition and fees may change during the current academic year and in future academic years. Changes impacting the current academic year will be reflected in a separate appendix with the effective date prominently disclosed. An Appendix A for each future academic year will be included in each future catalog. Each student will incur and be responsible for paying the tuition and fees disclosed in the Tuition and Fee Appendix A for each respective academic year in which the student is enrolled.

Regular Tuition

Full-time Tuition (per academic term): $9,166.00
Tuition is charged at the full-time rate when enrollment is between 12 and 18 credit hours in any term.

Part-time Tuition (per credit hour): $721.00
Tuition is charged on a per credit hour basis when enrollment is less than 12 credit hours in any term.

Overload Tuition (per credit hour): $721.00
If enrollment in any term exceeds 18 credit hours, each credit hour in excess of 18 hours has an addition per-credit-hour charge.

Undergraduate Audit Tuition (per credit hour): $180.25
Tuition charged when neither a letter grade nor academic credit is awarded by the College and when enrollment in the course is reflected on the student’s transcript. This rate applies to all courses including Accelerated BSN courses. See the Academic Policies and Procedures Section of the Catalog for more information.

Accelerated BSN (ABSN) Tuition (per credit hour) $642.00
The ABSN program does not use a full-time and part-time structure, instead tuition is calculated on a per credit hour basis and covers nursing courses which have the naming format (NUA-####) and Servant Leadership (SVL-285). For the 2020-2021 academic year, the ABSN program requires 52 credit hours to be completed.

Voluntary and Required Repeats - Any student who repeats any of the ABSN required courses for any reason will incur tuition charges equal to the number of credit hours repeated multiplied by the ABSN credit hour rate.

Non-ABSN Courses - Any student who elects to take courses in addition to the required ABSN program courses will incur additional tuition charges equal to the number of additional credit hours taken multiplied by the College part-time, per-credit-hour rate.

Tuition for the accelerated BSN major will be billed in three installments; the first installment will cover the credit-hour enrollment for the first two 8-week terms, the second installment will cover the credit-hour enrollment for the second two 8-week terms and the third installment will cover the credit-hour enrollment for the final 15-week term.
Paramedic Program Cost (2-term and 3-term): $13,425.00
The Paramedic tuition only applies to and covers only paramedic professional courses which follow the course naming format of EMS-###. Any student who elects to take additional courses in addition to the EMS-### courses will incur additional tuition charges equal to the number of additional credit hours taken multiplied by the College part-time per-credit-hour rate. Any student who is required to or elects to repeat a professional course or classes not required to earn the Paramedic Certificate will incur additional tuition charged equal to the number of repeated credit hours taken multiplied by the part-time-per-credit-hour rate. Students who repeat EMS course(s) will pay the per credit hour tuition rate for the repeated course(s). The combined tuition for courses in the major and additional-course tuition in each term will not exceed the current full-time tuition amount for that term up to 18 credit hours. Enrollment above 18 credit hours of non-EMS courses will result in paying the course overload tuition.

The Paramedic tuition will be billed in two equal amounts for 2-term offerings and three equal amounts for 3-term offerings. Each installment payment is due on or before the first day of each respective term. Tuition is considered fully earned by the College as specified in the Tuition Adjustment Policies Section of the Mercy College of Health Sciences, College Catalog. If a student drops or withdrawals and financial aid must be returned to the government, the student is personally responsible for the full amount of the resulting unpaid tuition.

MercyPlus Tuition $2,500.00
Four professional programs are offered in an on-line, 10-week enrollment period framework known as MercyPlus. The MercyPlus tuition structure allows the student to complete one (1) to twelve (12) credit hours in each 10-week period for a fixed tuition of $2,500. Online programs offered through MercyPlus include Health Care Administration (bachelor degree), Public Health (bachelor degree), RN to BSN (bachelor degree) and Medical Assistant (certificate). The tuition structure covers the professional program courses which are required for the degree or certificate which use the following naming format HCA-###, PBH-###, NSG-4##, and MA-### coded courses. Any professional program course named in a manner which is inconsistent with the format described in this paragraph is not part of MercyPlus and is not included in the flat fee tuition structure. A student may not enroll in more than 12-credit hours in any 10-week term.

Certificate Tuition

Emergency Medical Technician Certificate – Onsite $950.00
Tuition rate applied when a student enrolls in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered on the Mercy College Campus. A student may elect to take this course for six hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

Emergency Medical Technician Certificate - Hybrid 0 to 100 miles $1,100.00
Tuition rate applied when a student enrolls in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered at a location which is 0 to 100 miles away from the Mercy College Campus. A student may elect to take this course for six hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

Emergency Medical Technician Certificate - Hybrid 101 to 150 miles $1,200.00
Tuition rate applied when a student enrolls in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered at a location which is 101 to 150 miles away from the Mercy College Campus. A student may elect to take this course for six hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

Emergency Medical Technician Certificate - Hybrid 151 to 200 miles $1,300.00
Tuition rate applied when a student enrolls in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered at a location which is 151 to 200 miles away from the Mercy College Campus. A student may elect to take this course for six hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

**Emergency Medical Technician Certificate - Hybrid 201 or more miles** $1,400.00
Tuition rate applied when a student enrolls in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered at a location which is 201 miles or more away from the Mercy College Campus. A student may elect to take this course for six hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

**Critical Care Paramedic Certificate** $1,200.00
Tuition rate applied for the course leading to the endorsement as a Critical Care Paramedic (CCP). A student may elect to take this course for five hours of academic credit. If a student elects to take the course for credit, the business-office policies which normally govern short-term certificates are not applicable, but instead, all for-credit policies, including tuition and fee amounts will apply.

**Medical Billing and Coding Certificate** $950.00
This 10-week, entry-level MBC course is intended for individuals interested in a career in an outpatient clinic, specialty clinic or insurance setting utilizing CPT, ICD-10-CM and HCPCS codes.

**Certificate Tuition Notice**
Full Payment for all certificate courses is due at the time of registration and is non-refundable after the first day of class. Deferred payment plans are not offered by the College for certificate programs. Students are not considered registered until Full Payment is received.

If a student is unable to attend any class, the student has a duty to contact the instructor prior to the class to discuss the matter. If a student fails to attend the first class and has not contacted the instructor prior to the class to obtain permission, the student will be administratively dropped from the class by the College and the amount paid by the student will be refunded. If a student wishes to drop a course and receive a tuition adjustment must submit all completed paperwork to the Registrar on or before the first day of class.

The election to take the certificate course for credit must be made by the student at the time of registration. After the class has started this choice is irrevocable.

**Academic Fees**

**ASN Admissions Assessment Math Examination:** $50.00
This exam is intended for students who need to demonstrate mathematical competency to satisfy the math requirement for the ASN admissions prerequisite.

**ASN Material Fee (charged in terms 1 – 6):** $192.00
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to ASN students who were admitted to and started the ASN program before to August 15, 2020. Each ASN student will be charged a fee in each term to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

**ASN Material Fee (charged in terms 1 & 2):** $576.00
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to ASN students who start the ASN program after August 15, 2020. Each ASN student will be charged a fee to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids
provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

BSN Material Fee (charged in terms 1 – 8): $144.00  
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to BSN students who were admitted to and started the BSN program prior to August 15, 2020. Each BSN student (excluding RN to BSN and Accelerated BSN students) will be charged a fee in each term to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

BSN Material Fee (charged in terms 1 & 2): $576.00  
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to BSN students who were admitted to and started the BSN program prior to August 15, 2020. Each BSN student (excluding RN to BSN and Accelerated BSN students) will be charged a fee in each term to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

Accelerated BSN Material Fee (charged in terms 1, 3, 5): $384.00  
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to Accelerated BSN students who were admitted to and started the Accelerated BSN program prior to August 15, 2020. Each Accelerated BSN student will be charged a fee to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

Accelerated BSN Material Fee (charged in terms 1 & 3): $576.00  
**NOTE:** this fee is applicable to Accelerated BSN students who were admitted to and started the Accelerated BSN program after August 15, 2020. Each Accelerated BSN student will be charged a fee to cover supplies and materials issued or made available to the student to help prepare for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. This fee will cover, but is not limited to NCLEX review materials provided online or on paper, supplemental education aids provided online or on paper and any disposable supplies issued to or used by students as part of a nursing course with a lab component.

BSN White Coat Ceremony Fee: $50.00  
All BSN students (excluding RN to BSN students) and Accelerated BSN students will be charged a one-time fee to cover the administrative expenses of the ceremony.

Challenge Examination: $65.00  
Students, who believe they are knowledgeable in certain subject areas and wish to receive college credit for this knowledge, may challenge the course by sitting for the Challenge Examination. Not all courses at Mercy College are available for students to challenge. If a CLEP exam is available for a course, the student may only take the CLEP exam and may not challenge the course. Mercy College will award credit hours through Challenge Examinations provided that the student achieves at least 80 percent on the test in question. The student must pay the Challenge Examination fee prior to taking the Challenge Examination.
Clinical and Lab Make-up: $50.00
Students who miss a clinical or Lab experience and must make it up at a later date will be assessed this fee. The fee must be paid prior to attending the make-up session. If the fee is not paid, the student will be precluded from attending that session.

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Fee (Each Term): $250.00
Students enrolled in Diagnostic Medical Sonography major will be assessed a fee each term due to additional costs associated with the major that are not captured in the normal tuition rate.

Placement Examination: $65.00
A fee will be assessed when a placement examination is administered. The placement examination will be administered for the purpose of appropriately placing the student within the appropriate sequence of courses.

Radiologic Technology Material Fee: $35.00
Students entering the first term of the Radiologic Technology major will be charged a fee to cover supplies and materials that will be issued to the student.

Surgical Technology Material Fee: $60.00
Students enrolled in the Surgical Technology major will be charged a fee in the SUR 101 course for additional laboratory costs.

Administrative Fees

Installment Payment Plan Participation Fee: $40.00
A student may elect to participate in an installment payment plan with the College. In order to enter into an installment payment plan, the student must complete the following on or before the first day of each term: (i) pay 25% of the total tuition and fees due, (ii) pay the participation fee and (iii) execute an installment payment plan agreement. The College will allow the student to pay the remaining balance due in three equal installment payments due on or before the following dates:

Fall Term:
First Installment due October 1
Second Installment due November 1
Third Installment due December 1

Spring Term:
First Installment due February 1
Second Installment due March 1
Third Installment due April 1

Summer Term (the first day for ALL summer classes is the first day of the 15-week term):
First Installment due June 1
Second Installment due July 1
Third Installment due August 1

All terms and conditions of the installment payment plan will be stated in the plan document. Students who have failed to comply with the terms of any prior installment payment plan with the College, or who have made a late payment to the College or who have issued a check to the College that has been returned for insufficient funds may not be allowed to participate in an installment payment plan. Installment payment plans are not available to students enrolled in non-credit certificate courses.
Diploma Replacement: $25.00
A fee is charged for a replacement diploma.

Graduation: $110.00
A fee is charged in the final semester of a student’s academic degree or certificate to cover the costs associated with commencement ceremony activities and is required from all graduating students, whether the student attends the ceremony or not.

Late Fee: $80.00
In any term in which Full Payment of all tuition and fees is not received by the due date a late payment will be assessed. See Financial Information section of the College Catalog for more information.

ID Badge Replacement: $15.00
A fee is charged to replace a lost or stolen ID badge.

Parking Violations: $45.00
A fee may be imposed upon any student who parks in any area on the College main campus or the Mercy Medical Center campus, which is not expressly identified and designated for student use, this includes but is not limited to spots designates as “Guest” spots. In addition, a fee may be imposed upon any student who fails to properly place a valid College parking sticker in his or her car.

NOTE: Mercy College Students are not permitted to park at 921 6th Avenue, also known as ACE and/or College Hill. If you park at 921 6th, Newbury Living (the building owner) will have your vehicle towed.

ALSO NOTE: Parking in a spot marked for handicapped persons without the proper state-issued permit is a violation of state law. The College will contact the Des Moines Police Department when violations come to our attention which may result in fines and towing costs imposed on the vehicle owner.

Impression Fee for Printing and Copying – Black Ink: 5 cents per single-side page
Students who exceed the allocated quantity of free impressions for copying and printing each term will incur an impression fee. A copy or print request that has content on both sides of the sheet of paper will be charged two impressions.

Impression Fee for Printing and Copying – Color Ink: 15 cents per single-side page
Students who exceed the allocated quantity of free impressions for copying and printing each term will incur an impression fee. A copy or print request that has content on both sides of the sheet of paper will be charged two impressions. Any copy or printed page that utilizes a colored-ink output device will be charged the colored copy fee for each impression generated by the device regardless of the amount of colored ink used to generate the impression.

Plotter Printer Poster: $10.00 per poster
Any member of the campus community who wishes to print a single-sided, 3-foot x 4-foot poster will incur this fee regardless of the ink colors or quantity of ink used.

Returned Check: $30.00
A fee is charged each time a student’s check is returned, whether for non-sufficient funds (NSF) or any other reason. In the event a check is not honored by the drafter’s financial institution and if a subsequent attempt to pay tuition and or fees occurs after the payment deadline, a late payment fee may also be imposed. A student who issues a subsequent check to the College that is not honored by the drafter’s financial institution (e.g. a second NSF) may not participate in an Installment Payment Plan.
Transcript: $10.00
A fee is charged for each official transcript provided. This fee is charged via a third party.

**Mercy College Training Center Fees**

**NREMT Full Exam** $275.00
Fee incurred when attempting the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) exam. The full exam covers six skills: Patient Assessment – Trauma, Dynamic Cardiology, Static Cardiology, Oral Station Case A, Oral Station Case B, and the Integrated Out-Of-Hospital Scenario.

**NREMT Partial Exam** $150.00
Fee incurred when re-testing 3 or less skills on the NREMT exam.

**CPR Instructor** $150.00
Instructor course for those wishing to teach First Aid, Basic Life Support (BLS), Heartsaver, or Family and Friends Courses.

**CPR Part 1 Basic (initial and renewal)** $75.00
The cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) course provides certification for those interested in working in a healthcare profession.

**CPR Part 2 Skills Validation** $40.00
Student must complete Part 1 of CPR prior to attending this skills lab session. Students are also required to purchase a student manual not included in disclosed fee.

**PALS – Instructor** $150.00
Course prepares the provider to teach Pediatric Advances Life Support (PALS) and Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition and Stabilization (PEARS).

**PALS – Provider** $180.00
Course designed for healthcare providers who care for critically ill or injured children.

**PALS – Renewal** $150.00
This course is designed to renew PALS certification for healthcare providers.

**ACLS – Instructor** $150.00
This course prepares the Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and PALS provider to teach these courses.

**ACLS – Provider** $180.00
ACLS is a course designed for healthcare providers who respond to cardiovascular emergencies, and provide advanced care.

**ACLS – Obstetrics** $180.00
This course is the traditional ACLS course but with an obstetrics emphasis.

**ACLS – Experienced Provider** $180.00
This course is designed for healthcare providers who have certified in ACLS at least twice before.

**ACLS – Renewal** $150.00
This course is designed to renew a participant's ACLS certification.

**Pediatric Heartsaver® First Aid/CPR/AED**  
$80.00  
This course is designed to meet the regulatory and credentialed training requirements for child care workers. It is interactive video based, instructor led course that teaches basic first aid, CPR, and AED skills for children. Students are also required to purchase a student manual not included in disclosed fee.

**Heartsaver® First Aid**  
$80.00  
Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED is a classroom, video-based, instructor-led course that teaches students critical skills needed to respond to and manage a first aid, choking or sudden cardiac arrest emergency in the first few minutes until emergency medical services (EMS) arrives.

**Advanced Stroke Life Support**  
$180.00  
This course addresses the prehospital, emergency department, and stroke unit management of patients with acute stroke.

**Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support**  
$180.00  
This course is designed to improve the quality of trauma care and decrease mortality. The program is based on a prehospital trauma care philosophy, stressing the treatment of the multi-system trauma patient as a unique entity with specific needs.

**EMS Instructor**  
$300.00  
This course prepares students to become EMS instructors. This course meets the requirements for the classroom instruction portion for Iowa EMS Instructor endorsement. Candidates must also attend an IDPH Instructor Endorsement session to complete the process.