## **TUITION AND FEES**

## FEES

Registration and tuition fees are established by the Board of Trustees as required by the Florida Legislature. These fees are subject to change without notice. As of fall 2017, the authorized fees are:

# PER CREDIT HOUR TUITION AND FEES FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

	Florida Resident	Non-Florida Resident
Undergraduate	\$205.57ª	\$618.87 <sup>b</sup>
Per Semester Fees		
Intercollegiate Athletics	\$10.00	\$10.00
Student Health Services	\$93.69	\$93.69
Transportation Access <sup>c</sup>	\$95.13	\$95.13

<sup>a</sup> This amount includes \$48.21 per credit fees.

<sup>b</sup> This amount includes \$67.89 per credit fees.

<sup>c</sup> Transportation Access is \$88.72 in the summer term. Fall/spring = \$95.13; including the sales tax.

Registration fees for course audits are the same as the above fees, except that no assessment will be made for the out-of-state portion.

## **TUITION AND FEE WAIVERS**

Students using a tuition and/or fee waiver for part of the fee payment must pay their portion **on or before the last day to pay fees**.

For detailed requirements and updated information on tuition and fee waivers, please visit the FIU website for **Tuition and Fee Waivers**.

Pursuant to Florida Statutes 1009.26, F.S. 1009.265, F.S. 1009.25 and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, FIU is authorized to waive tuition and associated fees for the following categories:

## Congressman C.W. "Bill" Young Veteran Tuition Waiver Program

Pursuant to F.S. 1009.26 (13), the Congressman C.W. "Bill" Young Veteran Tuition Waiver Program allows FIU to waive out-of-state fees for:

- An honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed Forces, the United States Reserve Forces, or the National Guard who physically resides in this state while enrolled in the institution; or
- 2. Entitled to and uses educational assistance provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for a quarter, semester, or term beginning after July 1, 2015, who physically resides in this state while enrolled in the institution.

Tuition and fees charged to a student who qualifies for the out-of-state fee waiver under this subsection may not exceed the tuition and fees charged to a resident student.

## **Veteran Non-Resident Tuition Waiver**

Pursuant to F.S. 1009.26 and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, FIU is authorized to waive the out-of-state portion

of tuition for veterans of the United States Armed Forces, Guard, and Reserve forces, their spouses, and dependents who meet one of the following three conditions:

- Active-duty service member of the U.S. Armed forces stationed outside of Florida.
- Honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Armed forces.
- Spouses and dependents of veterans who physically reside in the state of Florida and are using Veterans benefits for the term that the waiver is requested. Note: If your entitlement has run out or you are not using the Veterans benefits, you will not be eligible for the out-ofstate waiver.

### Purple Heart Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statute 1009.26(9) and Board of Governors Rule 7.008 (I) FIU will waive undergraduate tuition for each recipient of a Purple Heart or other combat decoration superior in precedence. The waiver covers only tuition and fees associated with credit hour instruction provided directly by the university and does not include any additional fees that may be charged for specialized programs or by external organizations, living expenses, and courses taken elsewhere as a transient student.

#### **Classroom Teacher Waiver**

Pursuant to Florida Statute 1009.26(10) and Board of Governors Rule 7.008 (F) students who are employed as a classroom teacher in a Florida District School are eligible to use the <u>Classroom Teacher Waiver</u>. The Classroom Teacher Waiver Program covers in-state tuition up to 6 credit hours. This waiver can only apply to undergraduate courses in the areas of Special Education, Math, or Science that have been approved by the Department of Education.

### **Non-resident Tuition Waiver**

Pursuant to Florida Statute 1009.26 and Board of Governors Rule 7.008 (1) FIU is authorized to waive the out-of-state fee for all students, including undocumented students, who demonstrate they:

- Attended a high school in the state of Florida for 3 consecutive years; and
- Graduated from a Florida high school immediately after those 3 years of consecutive attendance; and
- Applied for enrollment in a state university, Florida College System institution, or Florida Career Center or Charter Technical Career Center in Florida within 24 months after high school graduation.

The waiver is only available for up to 110% of the required credits hours of an undergraduate degree or certificate program for which the student is enrolled and cannot be applied to non-degree work or graduate degrees. The approval of this waiver does not grant eligibility for financial aid, scholarships or loans from the University, the state, or the federal government, as defined in the Florida Statutes, <u>Chapter 2014-62</u>, <u>Section 5</u>, 1009.26 Fee Waivers. Additionally, receipt of this out-of-state fee waiver does **NOT** constitute classification as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. Students who receive this waiver remain classified as non-Florida residents for tuition purposes and are NOT eligible for state financial aid, including Bright Futures.

## FIU Employee Waiver and Dependent Waiver

Pursuant F.S. 1009.26 (3) and Board of Governors Rule 7.008 FIU is authorized to offer eligible employees the opportunity to enhance their education by attending classes at the university with the intent of receiving a college degree or by attending classes that are related to their job assignment. If an employee does not enroll for credit hours in a given semester, the program allows the employee's dependent or spouse the opportunity to enhance their education by attending classes at the university, with the intent of receiving an undergraduate or graduate degree. For more information regarding FIU employee tuition waiver, please contact Human Resources.

## **Dual Enrollment Waiver**

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.25(2) (a) Fee exemptions, FIU is authorized to waive tuition and associated fees for eligible secondary, or home educated, students who enroll in postsecondary courses that are creditable toward both a Florida high school diploma and an associate or baccalaureate degree. Early admission is a form of dual enrollment through which eligible secondary students enroll in a postsecondary institution on a full-time basis in courses that are creditable toward the high school diploma and the associate or baccalaureate degree.

## Homeless or Temporary Shelter Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.25(f) Fee exemptions, FIU is authorized to waive tuition and associated fees for any student who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, excluding university housing, or whose primary nighttime residence is a public or private shelter designed to provide temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized, or a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

## Linkage Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.21, international students from Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Eastern Europe, France, Israel, Japan, and West Africa are also eligible for out-of-state tuition waivers through the Florida Linkage Institutes administered by other institutions.

### Persons 60 years of age or older Fee Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.26(4) Fee Waivers and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, persons 60 years of age and older who meet Florida residency requirements set forth in Rule 6C-7.05 and who attend credit classes in a state university may be allowed to enroll on a **space available basis without payment of fees**. No academic credit shall be awarded for attendance in classes for which fees are waived under this rule. Courses, such as Independent Study or individual instruction for which direct costs increase for each student admitted are not available under this free course policy.

Participants in Sponsored Credit Institutes and Programs Waiver

Pursuant to Statute Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.26 Fee Waivers, participants of sponsored credit institutes and programs are eligible to receive a waiver of tuition and fees for all courses of the designated program as authorized by the board of trustees of the university. The department offering a sponsored program will need to submit a list of all participants.

### Special Risk Surviving Dependent/Spouse Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statute Title X, Chapter 112, 112.19(3) and <u>Board of Governors Rule 7.008</u>, FIU is authorized to waive the tuition and related fees for a total of 120 credit hours for the spouse and children of any eligible individuals listed below that are killed in the line of duty. Please Note: The tuition waiver benefit provided to the child will be effective until their 25<sup>th</sup> birthday. The spouse benefit must be commenced within the first 5 years of death and entitlement will continue up until the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fallen individual's death.

- Dependents of Deceased Law Enforcement, Correctional, or Correctional Probation Officers Employed by the State or Political Subdivision [Florida Statutes, Title X, Chapter 112, 112.19(3)]
- Dependents of Deceased Firefighters Employed by the State or a Political Subdivision [Florida Statutes, Title X, Chapter 112, 112.1911(3)]
- Dependents of Deceased Emergency Medical technician or Paramedic Employed by the State or Political Subdivision [Florida Statutes, Title X, Chapter 112, 112.1912(3)]
- Dependents of Deceased Teacher or School Administrator Employed by a Florida District school Board [Florida Statutes, Title X, Chapter 112, 112.1915(3)]
- Dependents of Deceased Active Duty Member of the United States Armed Forces [Florida Statutes, Title X, Chapter 112, 112.1915(3)]

Eligible students should submit a Letter of Verification on letterhead from a superior official or Human Resources Department from the deceased individual's employer. The verification letter should include all pertinent information as it relates to the statutes as well as student name, date of birth, etc. Please submit letter via the "Document Upload" feature on the student portal under the Student Financials department. If you have any questions, please contact waivers@fiu.edu.

## Victims of Wrongful Incarceration Waiver

Pursuant to Florida Statute Title XLVII, Chapter 961, 961.06(1B) and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, FIU is authorized to waive tuition and associated fees for up to 120 hours of instruction for an individual that was wrongfully incarcerated and has proof that the conviction was vacated by the court. In addition to the original sentencing court issuing its order finding that the person neither committed the act, nor did aid, abet or act as an accomplice or accessory to the act or offense can qualify for this tuition waiver.

### Select STEM Waiver

Beginning in the 2021-2022 academic year, <u>F.S.</u> <u>1009.26</u> and <u>Board of Governors Rule 7.008</u> provide a waiver for students enrolled in a Baccalaureate Program of Strategic Emphasis, as identified below in bullet 3. This waiver is equal to receiving a 50% discount on all **eligible** tuition, fees, and courses on a term-by-term basis. This waiver is available to students who meet **ALL** the criteria below:

- Are classified as instate for tuition purposes; and
- Have earned at least 60 semester credit hours towards a baccalaureate degree within 2 academic years after initial enrollment at a Florida public postsecondary institution; and
- Are accepted and enrolled in a primary major/degree in one of eight Programs of Strategic Emphasis as designated by the Board of Governors of the State of Florida. These are: Computer and Information Sciences, Information Technology, Civil Engineering, Computer Electronics Engineering, Electrical and Engineering, Mathematics, Physics, and Management Information Systems. Specific FIU eligible programs are listed on the website; and
- Are enrolled in 3000 and/or 4000 level classes leading to the major degree as noted above; and
- Have not previously earned a bachelors' degree; and
- Are in good academic standing (not warning, probation, or dismissal)

This waiver is only available for up to 110% of the required credits hours of the eligible undergraduate degree program for which the student is enrolled.

## **Online Free Seat Waiver**

Beginning in the 2021-2022 academic year, <u>F.S.</u> 1009.26 and <u>Board of Governors Rule 7.008</u> provides a waiver of tuition and fees for **one online course** in the first term and discounted tuition in subsequent terms for students who meet certain criteria and are enrolled in an online baccalaureate degree program, as defined in the <u>Board of Governors Online Program Inventory</u>. Students must meet certain criteria to receive this waiver and there are restrictions. Please visit the website for detailed information.

## State Employee Tuition Waiver

Pursuant to F.S. 1009.265 and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, FIU is authorized to waive in-state tuition up to 6 credit hours for students who are employed by the State of Florida. Any special laboratory or other required student fees (except health fees and athletic fees) must be paid by the individual prior to the Last Day to Pay. Waiver is restricted to courses taken at FIU. State employees may register in regular lecture and laboratory courses. The following courses and programs are excluded: College of Law, Continuing Education courses including market rate & self-supporting programs, Undergraduate limited access programs, dissertation, thesis, directed individual study, directed research courses, internships, and any one-toone instructional courses. All students are required to meet the course prerequisite requirements. Students should complete registration on their assigned appointment time (degree seeking students) or on the date appropriate for their program (non-degree seeking students, certificate students, transient students, etc.).

After enrolling in the semester, State Employees should submit their completed and approved State Employee Waiver Forms online through their <u>MyFIU</u>. Follow the steps to <u>Submit Forms Online</u> and select "Student Financials" as the department.

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Title XLVIII, K-20 Education Code, Chapter 1009 Educational Scholarships, Fees, and Financial Assistance, 1009.25(2) (c-d) Fee exemptions, and Board of Governors Rule 7.008, FIU is authorized to waive tuition and fees for any student who is or was at the time he or she reached the age of 18 in the custody of the Department of Children and Families or a relative or nonrelative under section 39.5085, Florida Statutes; who was adopted from the Department of Children and Families after May 5, 1997; or after spending at least six (6) months in the custody of the Department of Children and Families after reaching 16 years of age. Additionally, material and supply fees and fees associated with enrollment in career preparatory instruction shall be exempted. Any student requesting this exemption must provide certification of eligibility from the Department of Children and Families or its contracted providers to the university in which the student seeks to enroll. This exemption shall remain valid up until the time the student reaches the age of 28.

## FEE PAYMENT

Fees may be paid online through the MyFIU portal (my.fiu.edu) or in person at the Student Financials Office, located on the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (Student Academic Success Center 101), and on the Biscayne Bay Campus (Academic Center One 140). The online payment system accepts credit card payments of AMEX, DISCOVER, MASTERCARD, and VISA. (Note: There is a 2.65% non-refundable convenience fee applied to all domestic credit card payments and a 4.25% nonrefundable convenience fee for all international credit card payments). Check payments may be processed through the online system without a fee. The university is not responsible for cash sent through the mail. Please take into consideration delivery and processing time when mailing your payment. The Student Financials Office is not responsible for any delayed or misdirected mail by the U.S. Postal Service or Campus Mail Services.

Failure to pay fees by established deadlines will result in late payment fees and may cause you to be dropped from all courses. See the *Fee Liability* section below.

## PAYMENT PLAN

The payment plan will allow students to pay the current term's tuition and fees in installments. The first/initial installment of a student's total tuition and fees must be paid by the Last Day to Pay, and the remaining balance will be due by the established installment due date deadlines. There is a \$15.00 service charge to sign up for the plan. Enrollment in the Payment Plan can be accomplished by going to the MyFIU portal (my.fiu.edu) and selecting "Payment Plan" in the Finances section. Installments not paid on time will be subject to the late payment fee.

### LATE REGISTRATION FEE

Students who register after the established registration deadline will be subject to \$100 late registration fee.

## LATE PAYMENT FEE

Students who pay fees after the established payment deadline will be subject to a \$100 late payment fee. If

applicable, this fee may be assessed in addition to the late registration fee described in the preceding section.

#### FLORIDA PREPAID TUITION PLAN STUDENTS

Students utilizing the Florida Prepaid Tuition Plan must pay their portion of the student fees not covered by the plan by the published last day to pay fees. You may opt out of Florida Prepaid each term by filing out an opt-out form with the Student Financials Office before the last day to pay.

## FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS

Financial aid is available to those qualifying through the Financial Aid Office. A limited number of short term loans are available to full-time enrolled students who may experience difficulty in meeting fee payment due dates. A student whose financial aid awards do not cover full tuition and fees must pay the difference between financial aid awards (less Federal Work Study) and the final fee as posted.

Students can view their "Anticipated Aid" online through my.fiu.edu.

## FEE LIABILITY

Students are liable for all fees associated with all courses in which they are registered at the end of the drop/add period. The fee payment deadline is published in the official university calendar. If fees are not paid in full by the published dates, registration in all courses for the term may be canceled.

## REINSTATEMENT OF CLASSES

Appeals for reinstatement of registration for classes dropped for fiscal reasons must be filed in writing on the prescribed form with the Student Financials Office by the time specified on the cancellation notice. Reinstatement will be considered for all classes on the class schedule at the end of the drop/add period. Reinstatement cannot be requested selectively for certain classes. All reinstatement activity, including fee payment, must be completed by the date on the cancellation notice. All students whose registrations have been reinstated will be assessed a late payment fee. If the late registration fee is applicable it will also be assessed.

## CHECKS

The university will accept personal checks for amounts due to the university. These checks must be in the exact amount due only. The Student Financials Office will not accept checks above the amount due, third-party checks, or checks for cash. State law requires that a service fee be assessed on a check returned unpaid by the bank for any reason. Service fees are based on the amount of the unpaid check. Checks for \$0.01-\$50.00 are charged a \$25.00 fee; \$50.01-\$300.00, a \$30.00 fee; \$300.01-\$800.00, a \$40.00 fee; and a fee of 5% of the amount of the check for all checks greater than \$800.00. Checks returned by the bank can be redeemed only by cash, cashier's checks, or money orders. A personal check will not be accepted to replace a dishonored check. If a check is returned from an online payment, returned check fines will also be charged per the amounts indicated above.

Returned checks will be assigned to an agency for

collection if not promptly paid. When an account has been assigned, the collection agency fee will be added to the university charges for collection at the current contract rate. Returned checks on student accounts will result in cancellation of classes and will require petition for reinstatement. See the Reinstatement of Classes section above.

The Student Financials Office will not accept a check on any student's account which has had two previous dishonored checks.

## REFUNDS

Refunds will be processed and issued to all students whose fee accounts show overpayment after the last day to pay fees. Refunds will be issued via direct deposit. Direct deposit information can be entered online in the Finances section of the MyFIU portal (<u>my.fiu.edu</u>). If direct deposit information is not provided, the refund will be issued in the form of a check and will be mailed. Students to whom refunds are due will not be required to submit refund applications to receive their refunds; it will automatically be calculated. If there is an amount due to the university in the accounts receivable system, the refund will be held until an arrangement to pay the prior balance has been made.

Students who have completed registration, have paid all fees due, and have completely withdrawn from the university prior to the end of the fourth week of classes are eligible for a refund of 25% of total fees paid.

In the following exceptional circumstances, a full refund of total fees paid will be made upon presentation of the proper documentation:

- Death of a student or immediate family member (i.e., parent, spouse, child, or sibling). Death certificate required.
- Involuntary call to military service. Copy of orders required.
- Illness of student of such severity or duration to preclude completion of courses. Confirmation by a physician required.

Processing of refunds will begin after the end of the add/drop period for each semester.

Refunds for tuition and fees are not available due to changes in the mode of education. No appeals are available for requests denied due to mode in education changes.

Appeals for tuition refunds must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Registrar within 6 months after the end of the term for which the refund is requested. There are no exceptions to this policy. Refunds for financial aid recipients will be determined based on the US Department of Education "Return of Title IV Funds Policy (R2T4)".

### **REPEAT COURSE TUITION CHARGES**

### Repeated Attempts of Courses

The 1997 Legislature passed House Bill 1545, which mandates that undergraduate students pay additional charges for the **third time a student either takes or attempts the same college credit course.** Any undergraduate course taken, beginning fall 1997, and all courses taken after this date, will be subject to the repeat surcharge. Attempted hours mean those hours dropped/withdrawn after the drop/add period or failed. Withdrawals, incompletes, and dropped courses will be

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subject to the tuition surcharge, if they are fee liable. All students are included, regardless of type of residency. Undergraduate courses are 1000- to 4000-level courses. **Exceptions:** 

- Any course work taken prior to fall 1997.
- Credits earned through: cooperative education, military, waivers, audits, individualized study, courses that are repeated as a requirement of a major (except courses repeated more than 2 times to increase GPA or meet minimum course grade requirements), courses intended to continue over multiple semesters.
- Attempts taken at previous institutions prior to enrolling at FIU.
- Any non-fee liable withdrawal of dropped course.
- Graduate-level courses (courses at 5000-level or above).
- Effective summer 2000, students who withdraw or fail a class due to extenuating circumstances and financial hardships may be granted an exception only once for each class.
- Students wishing to appeal the repeat surcharge may complete an Appeal of Repeat Course Surcharge form, which may be obtained in the Registrar's Office, located on Modesto A. Maidique Campus (Primera Casa 130).

## EXCESS CREDIT SURCHARGE

Effective fall term 2009 and thereafter, all undergraduate students who enter or transfer to FIU are subject to Florida Statute 1009.286, excess credit surcharge. This statute governs the number of credits a student can take before being assessed excess credit surcharges. Excess credit threshold and the excess credit surcharges vary based on the student's first-time-in-college admission term. It is important that students communicate with their undergraduate or academic advisors in order to stav on track towards graduation and to avoid excess credit surcharges that may have financial repercussions. Please be aware that courses in which students receive grades of DR, W, WA, WI, IN, and F can count towards excess credit calculations. For more detailed information, see Excess Credit Surcharge in the University Undergraduate Rules and Regulations section of this catalog.

Additional information regarding excess credits and related surcharges can be found at **onestop.fiu.edu**.

### PAST-DUE ACCOUNTS

Delinquent accounts are sufficient cause to prohibit registration, graduation, release of transcripts, or release of diplomas.

The university reserves the right to assign any past-due account to an agency for collection. When an account has been assigned, the collection agency fee will be added to the university charges for collection at the current contract rate.

### DEADLINES

Students are reminded that deadlines are strictly enforced. The university is not able to grant credit or to extend the fee payment period beyond the time set in its official calendar. The university does not have the authority to waive late fees unless it has been determined that the university is primarily responsible for the delinquency or that extraordinary circumstances warrant such waiver. The university has no authority to extend deadlines for individual students beyond those set by the official calendar.

## PARKING RULES AND REGULATIONS

All persons who park vehicles on the university's campuses must register their vehicle(s) with the department of Parking and Transportation, obtain a decal or permit, and display the decal or permit, as prescribed by the Parking Rules and Regulations. The university assumes no liability for vehicles parked or operated on university property. The issuance of a decal or permit does not guarantee a place to park.

### Transportation Access Fee

All enrolled students will pay a Transportation Access Fee each semester. The fee will appear on the student fee schedule.

Students may request parking decals online at parking.fiu.edu or at the Parking and Transportation offices located in the PG5 Market Station at Modesto A. Maidique Campus, or in the Wolfe University Center 353 at the Biscayne Bay Campus. Each student needs to bring a current vehicle registration when obtaining a decal at the office. All decals must be permanently affixed to the outside of the vehicle, either on the left side of the rear bumper or lower left corner, on the outside of the rear window. All decals are valid until the expiration date indicated on the decal. A duplicate decal will be issued, upon request, for an additional charge. This decal is valid only for the vehicle under which it is registered. Duplicate decals are available to persons who have obtained an original decal for the current academic year. The duplicate decals are for additionally owned vehicles and for situations where the original decal must be replaced due to an accident, maintenance, etc.

## Housing

All students living in university housing complexes need to obtain a current semester housing sticker from Parking and Transportation. This sticker allows a vehicle to be parked legally in student housing areas. This sticker is valid for the indicated semester(s) only. This housing sticker should be affixed to the left or right side of a current student decal.

### Disabled

Any person who has been certified in accordance with Sections 320.084, 320.0848, or 320.0842 of the Florida Statutes, and has been issued a Disabled placard by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Bureau, shall obtain and display a university parking decal in the classification which would otherwise be appropriate.

## Towing and Impoundment

The university may tow and impound any vehicle found to be parked illegally or in violation of the parking rules and regulations.

### **Rules and Regulations Pamphlets**

A copy of the University Parking Rules and Regulations is available online at <u>parking.fiu.edu</u> and at the Parking and Transportation offices located in the PG5 Market Station at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, or in Wolfe University Center 353 at Biscayne Bay Campus. It is the responsibility of each student to become familiar and comply with the university's parking and traffic rules and regulations.

## regulations. LIBRARY FINES

Per book per library hour	\$0.25
Maximum fine per book	\$10.00
Lost book fine	\$100.00

Note: All fees are subject to change as permitted by law. Additional fees may be added and special-purpose fees may be assessed in some instances.