

## Tuition and Fees

Bristol Community College receives some of its funding from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is subsidized by state tax revenues. This means that students pay only a portion of the total cost of a BCC education.

### Tuition and College Fees per credit hour

Massachusetts and nearby Rhode Island residents

Tuition	\$ 24/credit
College Fee	\$142/credit
Total	\$166/credit

Many nearby eastern Rhode Island residents pay in-state tuition and fee rates under the New England Regional Student Program. See *Admissions for details*.

The New England Regional Student Program allows out-of-state students from New England to enroll in BCC programs at in-state tuition if the public colleges and universities in the student's home state do not offer the program. In addition, the College accepts students for day classes from nearby eastern Rhode Island (Adamsville, Barrington, Bristol, East Providence, Little Compton, Middletown, Newport, Portsmouth, Tiverton, and Warren, RI) at in-state tuition rates. The Admissions office and the NERSP Web site at [www.nebhe.org](http://www.nebhe.org) have additional information. Students enrolling in evening and weekend classes have no residency requirement and are charged the same cost per credit as in-state students.

### eHealthCareers (see page 130)

Students enrolled in eHealthCareers cost per credit hour. Costs for mandatory fees for healthcare courses are additional and found below.

Tuition	\$ 24/credit
College Fee	\$221/credit
Total	\$166/credit

### All other students

Tuition	\$230/credit
College Fee	\$142/credit
Total	\$352/credit

*Tuition is set by the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education.*

The College Fee portion of the per credit charge is collected from all students and used to pay for general College operations not funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. These include, but are not limited to, instructional computer equipment, educational supplies, audio-visual aids, library books, and laboratory supplies.

### Other required fees

**Student Support Fee** \$37/semester  
(nonrefundable)

**Registration deposit** \$ 50/year  
(nonrefundable and applied to the total semester charge)

**Registration deposit** for students admitted to  
*Nursing and Dental Hygiene Programs*  
\$200/year

(nonrefundable and applied to the total semester charge)

**Student Health Insurance** \$823/year  
(nonrefundable; may be waived)

**Insurance cost** for the Spring semester is  
\$564

**Mass PIRG** \$ 9/semester  
(nonrefundable; may be waived)

**Application fee** (nonrefundable)

Massachusetts and nearby

Rhode Island residents \$10/one time

Out-of-state residents \$35/one time

*Additional fees as required*

### Instructional Support Fee

This fee is charged for courses with high personnel, technology, or materials costs. Courses that carry this fee are identified in the course description with the sentence "Instructional Support Fee applies."

1 credit	\$ 9	6 credits	\$54
2 credits	\$18	7 credits	\$63
3 credits	\$27	8 credits	\$72
4 credits	\$36	9 credits	\$81
5 credits	\$45		

### Additional program costs (approximate)

Clinical Laboratory Science	\$600
Culinary Arts	\$1,250
Dental Hygiene	\$2,500
Healthcare Information	\$500
Medical Assisting	\$400
Nursing	\$850
Phlebotomy	\$600
Occupational Therapy Assistant	\$800
Therapeutic Massage	\$500

Tuition may be modified by action of the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education after publication of this catalog. Fees may be modified by the College Board of Trustees. Because of changing costs and/or state and legislative actions, adjustments may be required after publication of this catalog. Bristol Community College reserves the right to make these adjustments, and tuition and fees are subject to change without notice.

### Estimated costs for a BCC education

The table below gives you an idea of the actual cost of a BCC education for a Massachusetts resident taking 30 undergraduate credit hours over two semesters.

Full operating costs per student	\$7,500
Less State Operating Subsidy	\$5,069
Tuition and mandatory fees	\$3,885
Less direct student aid (avg.)	\$3,510*
Average net charge to student	\$2,806
Average federal tax credit (Hope)	\$1,000
Net student cost	\$1,806

\*Includes tuition and fee waivers and directly-applied institution, state and federal financial aid.

### Policies

Once a student registers, he/she is responsible for payment in full of all tuition and fee charges. Students must fulfill all financial obligations to the College. Overdue student accounts will be sufficient cause for administrative withdrawal from the College, and/or other administrative penalties by the College. Unpaid accounts will be referred for collection, and the student will bear all costs and

charges incurred in the collection and/or litigation. The Massachusetts Health Insurance Law requires that all students enrolled in nine or more credits are required to have basic health insurance. By law, Bristol Community College automatically charges all students who are registered for nine or more credits with this health insurance fee. The annual fee may be waived before school begins (usually when you register), by documenting comparable health insurance coverage. You must complete the waiver online at [www.UniversityHealthPlans.com](http://www.UniversityHealthPlans.com) (click on Massachusetts Community Colleges, click on Bristol Community College, then click on Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan). The waiver form is listed on the left. A waiver must be complete in order for this charge to be removed from the student's account and the online waiver is the only accepted method to waive coverage. Students purchase their own textbooks, materials, and supplies, all available at the College bookstore. Students should estimate transportation and food costs in calculating their expenses for the year.

*A financial statement of the College is available in the Administration office.*

### Refund policy for students withdrawing from all credit courses

Students must follow College withdrawal procedures to receive a refund. See the "Withdrawal Policy" in the Academic Information section of this catalog.

Tuition refunds for all credit courses are as follows: If a student withdraws from the College prior to the beginning of classes or during the first two weeks of classes, the student will receive a 100 percent refund less the \$37 nonrefundable student support fee.

If a student withdraws from the College during the third week of classes, the student will receive a 50 percent refund less the \$37 nonrefundable student support fee.

If a student withdraws after the third week of classes, there will be no tuition or college fee refunds.

### Refund policy for students not completely withdrawing from all credit courses

If a student withdraws from a course(s) prior to the beginning of classes or during the first two weeks of classes, the student will receive a 100 percent refund for the credits from which s/he withdraws. If a student withdraws from a course(s) during the third week of classes, the student will receive a 50 percent refund for the credits from which s/he withdraws. If the student withdraws from a course(s) after the first three weeks of classes, there will be no refund. It takes four to six weeks for the refund to process.

### Tuition exemptions

Completed waiver applications must be submitted at the time of registration. For any waiver, the appropriate waiver forms must be presented at the time of registration. No refunds are given if eligibility forms are submitted late. Tuition waivers cannot be used for credit by examination, directed study, or contract learning. (Waiver may not be used for ed2go classes, the noncredit Paralegal course, or the credit Medical Billing and Coding program.)

### National Guard

Active members of the Massachusetts Army or Air National Guard are eligible for a full tuition and fee waiver. This waiver applies to all qualified students, full- and part-time, and for all credit and certificate

courses up to a maximum of 130 semester credit hours per student. Eligible students must present a valid (bearing a raised seal) Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Military Division of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### State employee waiver

At the time of registration a student must present a completed Tuition Remission Authorization form with appropriate signatures. Any additional charges must be paid at registration. Billing is unavailable.

### Senior citizen waiver

Massachusetts residents 60 years and older may attend Bristol Community College on a space-available basis under the Department of Higher Education's tuition waiver policy. For specific details, please visit their Web site at [www.mass.edu](http://www.mass.edu) or contact the Enrollment Center for current eligibility requirements. Qualifying senior waivers are accepted one week before classes begin. All charges must be paid at time of registration.

### Veteran waiver

Veterans who are Massachusetts residents may be eligible for a tuition waiver. Those eligible must submit form DD-214 (long form) for review and approval prior to registering. Waiver is for credit courses only. For more information, please call the Enrollment Center.

### Third-party payment

Students whose courses will be paid by a third party, such as their employer, an agency, or military branch, must submit the appropriate documentation or authorizing letters prior to, or at the time of, registration. (Note: Students who will receive reimbursement contingent upon completion of their course must pay in full at the time of registration.)

### Hope Scholarship (Education Tax Credit)

Students enrolled in six credits or more in the first two years of an undergraduate program, day or evening, are eligible for the Hope Scholarship, a federal tax credit. Students pay for their tuition and fees, and then can claim a tax credit against their tax liability. Students may take a credit of 100 percent of the first \$1,000, and 50 percent of the next \$1,000, for a maximum in any tax year of \$1,500. Students are eligible for the credit for two years. The Financial Aid office and Student Accounts office have more information on this tax credit, but for specific information, consult a tax advisor.

## eHealthCareers

*Rates for Fall 2011 Semester*

Credits	Tuition	College Fees	Student Support Fee	TOTAL
1	24	221	37	282
2	48	442	37	527
3	72	663	37	772
4	96	884	37	1017
5	120	1105	37	1262
6	144	1326	37	1507
7	168	1547	37	1752
8	192	1768	37	1997
9	216	1989	37	2242
10	240	2210	37	2487
11	264	2431	37	2732
12	288	2652	37	2977
13	312	2873	37	3222
14	336	3094	37	3467
15	360	3315	37	3712
16	384	3536	37	3957
17	408	3757	37	4202
18	432	3978	37	4447
19	456	4199	37	4692
20	480	4420	37	4937

Please note that an insurance fee TBA for the remainder of the academic year is applicable for all students taking nine or more credits who do not have health insurance coverage. Students who have coverage may waive the insurance fee by completing an online waiver form. For more information please refer to the Student Accounts web page.

**Malpractice Insurance (mandatory for health service courses)**

**\$12.00**