

Fees and Expenses

Fees

LSUA strives to offer affordable undergraduate-level education to the citizens of Central Louisiana. The following is a summary of *estimated* expenses for full-time students for nine months (two regular semesters):

- Resident Students

Tuition and Fees.....	\$3,307
(based on 12 semester hours)	
Textbooks and School Supplies.....	<u>1,200</u>
(estimate)	\$4,507
- Non-Resident Students

Tuition and Fees.....	\$5,889
(based on 12 semester hours)	
Textbooks and School Supplies.....	<u>1,200</u>
(estimate)	\$7,089

It should be noted that the LSU Board of Supervisors may at any time adjust fees without advance warning to students. Students with inquiries about LSUA's fees should visit Accounting Services in Abrams Hall or call (318) 473-6407.

Special fees may be assessed depending on the number and type of courses taken and on the student's admission status. A list of these fees is presented below:

Special Fees

- **Application Fee**
Louisiana State University at Alexandria charges a fee of \$20 for processing applications. The \$20 application fee is non-refundable and is not applied to total fees due.
- **Registration Fee**
A registration fee of \$15 will be assessed for every semester in which a student enrolls for credit courses. The \$15 registration fee is non-refundable.
- **Late Registration Fee**
A late registration fee of \$20 will be charged to all students who fail to register for classes during the open registration period and wish to enroll during the late registration period. The \$20 late registration fee is non-refundable.
- **Laboratory Course Fee**
A fee is assessed for all laboratory courses, including but not limited to laboratory courses in education, fine arts, performance, health

sciences, kinesiology, natural sciences, and nursing.

- **International Student Fee**
International students will be assessed a one-time fee of \$60 for International Students Status Compliance. The \$60 international student fee is non-refundable.
- **Student Technology Fee**
Students will be assessed a student technology fee of \$5 per credit hour for up to 12 credit hours per semester. Students who register for more than 12 credit hours will be charged no more than \$60. This fee is dedicated to the acquisition, installation, and maintenance of technology for student use
- **Academic Excellence Fee**
Students will be assessed an academic excellence fee of \$10 per credit hour for up to 12 credit hours per semester. Students who register for more than 12 credit hours will be charged no more than \$120. This fee is used to promote academic excellence though the enhancement of instructional programs.
- **Operational Fee**
Students will be assessed an operational fee of \$4.50 per credit hour for up to 12 credit hours per semester. Students who register for more than 12 credit hours will pay no more than \$54. This fee is used to cover mandated costs and to enhance instructional programs.
- **Mandatory Fees**
Students will be assessed non-refundable mandatory fees totaling \$101.25 per semester to support the following: student activities, student newspaper, parking and street maintenance, student government association, children's center, student center maintenance, student center renovation, student yearbook, and parking management.
- **Audit Fees**
Students who enroll in courses for a combination of both "credit" and "audit" and students who enroll for "audit only" will pay the same amount in fees as students who schedule courses for "credit only".
- **Credit Examination Fee**
Students will be assessed \$20 per credit examination. Consult page 35 of this catalog for more information about credit examinations.

▪ **Diploma Fees**

Associate and baccalaureate degree diploma fee	\$20
Duplicate diploma fee	\$20 (charged if student graduates in a semester subsequent to when the original diploma was ordered)
Replacement diploma fee	\$20

▪ **Athletic Fee**

Students will be assessed an athletic fee of \$3.50 per credit hours for up to 12 credit hours per semester. Students who register for more than 12 credit hours will be charged no more than \$42. This fee is applied towards the athletic program only.

▪ **Energy Surcharge**

A per credit hour energy surcharge for utilities may be assessed in addition to the above fees. This fee will be assessed for all hours for which a student registers.

Payment of Fees

Visit the LSUA Accounting Services website at <http://accounting.lsu.edu/payment/> for information about available fee payment options.

Financial Obligations to the University

Non Sufficient Funds – Fees

A \$25 per check fee will be assessed when a check offered by a student in satisfaction of an obligation to the university is not honored by the bank from which it was drawn. A student can clear the obligation created by an insufficient fund check only by bringing cash or a money order equal to the amount of the NSF check plus the \$25 service charge.

Stopping payment on a check used to pay tuition and fees is not sufficient notice of withdrawal from courses and will not release the student from his or her financial obligation for those courses.

Financial Liability

When students register for classes, they are financially responsible for the tuition and fees associated with that registration. → If the student registers for classes and does not attend, he or she must resign from the university or formally drop the classes not attended by the refund deadline. ←

Delinquent Accounts

Dropping courses or withdrawing from the university does **not** relieve a student of the responsibility for unmet financial obligations to the university. Students enrolled in a deferred payment plan will be required to continue making payments until the non-refundable portion of their account is paid in full.

A student whose account becomes delinquent as a result of the failure to make deferred payment of attendance fees in accordance with the terms of his or her agreement may lose the privilege to defer fees in the future. In addition, the university reserves the right, under certain circumstances, to drop a student for non-payment. → Failure to pay in a timely manner can result in a \$75 financial reinstatement fee. ←

Student accounts not paid in full within 90 days after the end of the semester will be turned over to a collection agency and may be reported to the Credit Bureau. Students will be responsible for all costs associated with their debt and its collection, including attorney fees.

Sanctions will be imposed upon a student with delinquent financial obligations to the university; such sanctions include the following:

1. Final grade reports for the current semester will be withheld;
2. Requests for the release of academic transcripts will not be honored;
3. The student will not be allowed to enroll again until he or she makes payment in full or takes other appropriate steps acceptable to the university to satisfy the financial obligation.

Refund of Fees

Refund of university fees will be made according to the following policy when students *resign* from the university or when their provisional admission is *cancelled* or when their schedules change:

1. Resignations initiated through the first 10 class days of a full semester and seven class days for fall A or B-term or spring A or B-term will result in a 100% refund of refundable fees.

Summer resignations initiated through the first five class days and four class days for summer A-term or B-term will result in a 100% refund of refundable fees.

If a student registers for a full-term and/or A-term and also a B-term course and resigns or drops

the B-term course no later than the seventh class day of B-Term, then a full refund of refundable fees is due for the B-Term course.

2. Schedule changes initiated through the first 10 class days of a full semester and seven class days for fall A or B-term or spring A or B-term, will result in a 100% refund in the difference of fees. Schedule changes initiated through the first five class days in summer and four class days for summer A or B-Term will result in a 100% refund in the difference of fees.
3. After the 10th class day of a full semester and the seventh class day of fall A or B-term or spring A or B-term, *no refunds* will be given. After the fifth class day of summer and the fourth class day of summer A or B-term, *no refunds* will be given.
4. The application fee, registration fee, late registration fee, mandatory fees, and international student fee are non-refundable.
5. The application for graduation fee is non-refundable and not transferable to a future semester. In the event that an applicant fails to complete requirements for graduation, this fee will be forfeited, and the student will be required to submit a new Application for Candidacy form along with the applicable fee.
6. Students attending LSUA and receiving Title IV assistance (Federal Financial Aid) will have a portion of their tuition refunded to Title IV if they withdraw from the university during the first 60% of the enrollment period. Students who withdraw during the first 60% of the enrollment period will be considered to have not earned all or a portion of the financial funds they received, and will incur a financial obligation for any unearned funds they received.

Note: Refunds will be applied to any existing indebtedness to the university prior to disbursement to a student.

Non-Refund of Fees

Students should note the following:

1. Stopping payment on a check used to pay tuition and fees is *not* sufficient notice of withdrawal from courses and will not release the student from financial obligations for those courses.

2. Merely discontinuing class attendance does not constitute a formal resignation from the university. Students who discontinue class attendance and who fail to follow the established resignation procedure will be held responsible for all tuition and fees and will be assigned grades for their courses.
3. Dropping courses or withdrawing from the university does not relieve a student of the responsibility for unmet financial obligations to the university. Students enrolled in a deferred fee payment plan will be required to continue making payments until the non-refundable portion of their account is paid in full.



Foliage near one of the side entrances to LSUA's Abrams Hall