

## **Explanation of Fees**

In additional to required program tuition and book costs, the following fees are mandatory and will be added to the student's bill. Fees can be one-time only or billed each semester.

## MANDATORY FEES

Application Fee - The incoming applicant is required a \$50 one-time fee with their Application for Admission. The application fee of \$50 is due with the completed application. The application fee will be refunded if the student requests cancellation within five calendar days of the initial application or if the student is not accepted.

Student Support Services Fee – Students are charged a \$325 fee each semester to cover the cost of student services that directly involve or benefit students, including, but not limited to, recreational activities such as field trips, outside speakers, library database access, student portal access and student advising.

Laboratory Fees/Clinical Fees - Laboratory fees are only applicable to programs with a lab/clinic component. Laboratory fees are collected to cover the cost of materials and supplies used by students in the laboratory and/or clinic. The Statement of Understanding for the program provides the cost of the laboratory/clinic fees and in which semester the fee is assessed. Graduation Fee – Students are charged a one-time fee of \$195 to cover the costs directly related to graduation (diplomas, venue rental, caps/gowns, etc.).

Technology Fee – Students are charged a fee of \$150 each semester to cover the cost of computer labs, learning content and content management software, electronic media and library databases, distance learning hardware/software, staff for training, technical assistance and technology maintenance, training and professional development to create skills and materials integrating technology into the classroom, faculty technology needs to support student learning and communication, access to broadband and telecommunication services, and security solutions to protect student and institutional data

Criminal Background Check – Students are charged a one-time fee of \$45 to determine whether there are convictions in a student's history that would pose a risk to persons involved in the program and/or prohibit the individual from being licensed or employed or participating in a school internship or clinical experience.

Specific Program Fees –Students are required to pay additional fees associated with specific programs. These fees are listed on a Statement of Understanding for each program, signed by the students when they enroll. In addition, internship sites and clinical rotations–particularly those related to healthcare facilities and educational facilities–may have additional requirements such as liability insurance, immunizations, drug screening, physicals, and clearances that will be required before a student is permitted to intern. These requirements are specific to each organization and any cost associated with them is the responsibility of the student.

License Examination Fees – These fees are charged to a student taking a program that will require a professional license in order to work, and include all cosmetology-related, nursing-related and respiratory therapy programs. Students should check with their home state, county or municipality for any additional license requirements as not all programs will necessarily qualify for a specific licensure or certification other than those indicated above. Typically licensure fees are charged in the student's final semester. Certification Test Fees – Certifications are available for many courses at Laurel. Students will automatically be charged for their certification exams for the term they are enrolled in the pertinent course. If a certification test can only be taken after an entire program is completed, the student may be charged for that test in the last term. All certification exams must be taken within six months of graduation. There are no refunds for certification exam fees.

## **OPTIONAL FEES**

Students can choose to pay for additional certifications, student kit upgrades, school merchandise, school services such as lockers or transcripts, school organization memberships, or other activities if they choose.