
Section E:

Fees

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Fees effective July 1, 2019. The fee schedule is reviewed annually and is subject to change. There are no refunds allowed, except as noted.

Fees for Initial Accreditation and Reaccreditation (3 Parts)

Interested applicant schools are required to participate in pre-accreditation workshop training with MEAC staff. Contact info@meacschools.org for more information. Cost of training - \$100.

Part I (due with Preliminary Application).....\$300

Part II (due with Self Evaluation Report).....see below

| Part II | Due with Self-Evaluation Report (SER) |
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| Base Rate for all accredited programs and institutions | \$1874 |
| Fee per student in an accredited <i>program</i> | \$7 |
| Fee per student in an accredited <i>institution</i> | \$13 |
| Fee per student at a program or institution that offers <i>distance or correspondence education</i> | \$7 |
| Fee per student at a <i>degree-granting</i> institution | \$7 |
| Fee per student in an institution that participates in <i>Title IV</i> | \$7 |

Part III (due 8 weeks in advance of Full Accreditation Site Visit)..... \$3820 - \$5094*

**depending on number of site visitors needed*

***Note to new applicant schools**

Sustaining fee will be prorated for the remainder of the year that your school was initially accredited or pre-accredited. For example because sustaining fees cover one year from July 1 through June 30 each year, if your school is granted accreditation in March, you will be charged a prorated portion of sustaining fees from March through June of that year.

Please contact the MEAC office if you have any questions about this.

Annual Sustaining Fees

Sustaining fees are assessed every year, including the years in which re-accreditation fees are paid and the year initial accreditation is granted. Annual Sustaining Fees are calculated from a base fee with additional fees applied per matriculating student depending on the type of accreditation and services provided, such as degree granting and Title IV participation. A *matriculating student* is a person enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an institution/program for the purpose of obtaining a degree or certificate in midwifery. The number of students used in the formula is based on the number enrolled on December 31st of the previous year.

| Sustaining Fee Schedule Effective July 1, 2019 | Due Oct. 15, 2019 |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Base Rate for all accredited programs and institutions | \$5706 (previously \$6,206) |
| *Fee per student in accreditation <i>program</i> | \$81 |
| *Fee per student in an accredited <i>institution</i> | \$137 |
| *Fee per student at a program or institution that offers <i>distance or correspondence education</i> | \$23 |
| *Fee per student at a <i>degree-granting</i> institution | \$82 |
| *Fee per student in an institution that participates in <i>Title IV</i> | \$56 |

Example: An *institution* that is degree-granting and has 10 matriculating students (enrolled as of December 31 of the previous year) would pay **\$7896**. Note: this institution does not offer distance or correspondence education or participate in Title IV programs and therefore does not have to add those fees to its calculation. The calculation looks like this:

$$\$5706 + 10(\$137) + 10(\$82) = \$ 7896$$

Annual Sustaining Fees are due October 15 each year. The penalty for late payment is \$210 after the deadline plus \$100 for each 30 days late thereafter.

Substantive Change Fees for July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

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| Change in Mission/Purpose | \$350 |
| Change in Ownership, Legal Status or Form of Control (plus Site Visit fees if required) | \$1000 |
| New Branch Campus (plus Site Visit fees)..... | \$1000 |
| Substantive Change Site Visit Fee per site visitor..... | \$1000 |
| Change of Location | \$350 |
| Addition of Auxiliary Classroom | \$350 |
| Decision to Implement Title IV Programs | \$1000 |
| Changes in Curriculum: | |
| Addition or discontinuation of a program | \$0-1000* |
| <i>*Amount assessed will depend on scope and impact of change.</i> | |
| Addition or discontinuation of a course or courses that results in: | |
| Significant departure in content | \$350 |
| Significant departure in method of delivery (includes distance learning)..... | \$1000 |
| Change in length of program | \$350 |
| Addition of courses at a higher degree/credential level (includes change to degree granting status)..... | \$1000 |
| Substantial increase or decrease in credit hours awarded..... | \$315 |
| Change from credit to clock hours or vice versa | \$500 |
| Change in capacity for clinical training..... | \$315 |

Other Miscellaneous Fees for July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Site Visit Fee \$3820 - \$ 5094*

**depending on number of site visitors needed*

Interim change from pre-accreditation to accreditation status \$350

One month extension fee \$210

(refund of \$150 is allowed if request for extension is denied)

Penalty for late submission of all MEAC required reports including, but not limited to:

Annual Reports,

Monitoring Reports,

Accreditation process reports (Parts I-IV) eg SER

1- 29 days late \$ 150

30 - 59 days late \$ 500

At 60 days late \$ 1000

No report may be submitted more than 60 days late. Accredited entities more than 60 days late will be subject to show cause policies.

No report may be submitted late without first exhausting extension options in advance of the due date.

No Compliance Reports will be accepted beyond the original due date. Accredited entities that do not submit Compliance Reports on time will be subject to immediate adverse action policies.

Due date means received via email to info@meacschools.org by 11:59 pm in the time zone of accredited entity's main office as listed on Part I application associated with their initial or renewal of accreditation.

Penalty for late submission of Annual Sustaining Fees\$210

Each 30 days late thereafter\$100

Appeal Fee (plus Ad Hoc Committee Expenses)..... \$5000

Hearing Fee (plus Ad Hoc Committee Expenses)..... \$2000

Prospective Applicant Training \$100