

Agenda Item 8.D Resolution No. B31-24/25 March 18, 2025 Board of Education Meeting

### Approve 2025/26 Fee Schedule (Second Reading)

**Recommendation of the President:** The Rogue Community College (RCC) Board of Education (Board) adopts Resolution No. B31-24/25 approving an amendment to the 2025/26 Student Fee Schedule (attached), effective summer term 2025.

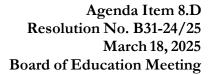
*Background Information*: RCC's tuition rates, including fees, are determined by Resolution Nos. P28-96/97 and P53-96/97 (December 1996), and B76-98/99 (1998).

In 2020/21, RCC moved to a different pricing structure that imposes fees on courses and programs with high operating costs. High-operating cost courses (programs and certificates) have one or more of the following: course-specific equipment and technology, limited enrollment or lower-than-average teacher-student ratios, college-provided instructional supplies, and required practicum, lab, or clinical hours. Several factors have influenced RCC's decision to move to this pricing model.

Tuition and fee amounts are reviewed annually by the Budget Advisory Team (BAT), chaired by the College's Vice President of Operations and Finance/CFO. BAT reviews the tuition and fee schedules to coincide with the budget development process. BAT has reviewed the 2025/26 Fee Schedule and considered the revenue generated to ensure fees are correctly reflected in the 2025/26 Fee Schedule (attached) and the 2025/26 Proposed Budget. BAT is recommending the following increase in fees:

### 2025/26 Course Fee Schedule - Changes Only

Course	Department	Title	Fee	Increase/(Decrease)
DS275	Diesel	Preventative Maintenance Inspection	Course Fee	\$136
EMS271L	Emergency	Paramedic Care and Practice I	Course Fee	\$200
EMS272L	Emergency	Paramedic Care and Practice II	Course Fee	\$200
EMS273L	Emergency	Paramedic Care and Practice III	Course Fee	\$200
EMS281	Emergency	Paramedic Clinical Practice I	Course Fee	\$100
EMS282	Emergency	Paramedic Clinical Practice II	Course Fee	\$100
EMS283	Emergency	Paramedic Clinical Practice III	Course Fee	\$100
EMS284	Emergency	Paramedic Clinical Capstone	Course Fee	\$100
ES131L	Emergency	Emergency Medical Technician Part I	Course Fee	\$100
ES132L	Emergency	Emergency Medical Technician Part II	Course Fee	\$100
ES171	Emergency	EMT Part 1	Course Fee	\$100
FRP233	Fire Science	Firefighter Safety and Survival	Course Fee	\$250
FRP251L	Fire Science	Firefighter Essentials I	Course Fee	\$250
FRP252L	Fire Science	Firefighter Essentials II	Course Fee	\$100
FRP 258	Fire Science	Pump Operator	Course Fee	\$100





# 2025/26 Course Fee Schedule - Changes Only (continued)

Course	Department	Title	Fee	Increase/(Decrease)
PE185BPA	HPER	Backpacking Adventure	Course Fee	\$12
PE185HOA	HPER	Hiking Oregon Adventure	Course Fee	\$38
PE185MBT	HPER	Mountain Biking	Course Fee	\$54
PE185KSA	HPER	Kayaking the Sea Coast Adventure	Course Fee	\$46
PE185KWW	HPER	Kayaking Whitewater	Course Fee	\$68
PE185MTA	HPER	Mountaineering	Course Fee	\$31
PE185RCA	HPER	Rock Climbing Adventure	Course Fee	\$26
PE185RCB	HPER	Beginning Rock Climbing	Course Fee	\$38
PE185RRV	HPER	Rafting the River	Course Fee	\$55
PE185SUA	HPER	Surfing Adventure	Course Fee	\$30
PE185WSA	HPER	Winter Survival and Snow Camping	Course Fee	\$20
PE185ZLG	HPER	Zip Line Guide Technical Skills	Course Fee	\$370
PE199	HPER	Special Studies: San Juan Island Kayaking	Course Fee	\$58
OAL233	HPER	Wilderness Navigation NA	Course Fee	\$183
PE185SAS	HPER	Step and Stuff NA	Course Fee	\$100
BI101L	Science	Introduction to Biology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI102L	Science	Introduction to Biology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI103L	Science	Introduction to Biology III Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI121L	Science	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI122L	Science	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI211L	Science	General Biology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI212L	Science	General Biology II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI213L	Science	General Biology III Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI231L	Science	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI232L	Science	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI233L	Science	Anatomy and Physiology III Lab	Course Fee	\$10
BI234L	Science	Microbiology Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM 104L	Science	Introductory Chemistry Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM105L	Science	Introductory Organic Chemistry Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM106L	Science	Introductory Biochemistry Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM221L	Science	General Chemistry I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM222L	Science	General Chemistry II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
CHEM223L	Science	General Chemistry III Lab	Course Fee	\$10
G101L	Science	Introduction to Geology I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
G102L	Science	Introduction to Geology II (Surface Process) Lab	Course Fee	\$10
G103L	Science	Introduction to Geology III (Historical) Lab	Course Fee	\$10
GS104L	Science	Physical Science: Physics Lab	Course Fee	\$10
GS107L	Science	Physical Science: Physics Lab	Course Fee	\$10
GS108L	Science	Physical Science: Oceanography Lab	Course Fee	\$10
GS170L	Science	Regional Field Geology Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH201L	Science	General Physics I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH202L	Science	General Physics II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH203L	Science	General Physics III Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH211L	Science	General Physics (Calculus Based) I Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH212L	Science	General Physics (Calculus Based) II Lab	Course Fee	\$10
PH213L	Science	General Physics (Calculus Based) III Lab	Course Fee	\$10



### 2025/26 Course Fee Schedule - Changes Only (continued)

Course	Department	Title	Fee	Increase/(Decrease)
MT100	Massage	Massage I - Swedish	Course Fee	\$15
MT102	Massage	Massage II – Swedish	Course Fee	\$15
MT103	Massage	Massage III – Swedish	Course Fee	\$15
MT101	Massage	Eastern Body Theory	Course Fee	\$15
MT105	Massage	Hydrotherapy and Oncology Massage	Course Fee	\$15
MT	Massage	Special Populations (New Course) \$15	Course Fee	\$15
MT106	Massage	Upper Body Massage Treatments	Course Fee	\$15
MT107	Massage	Lower Body Massage Treatments	Course Fee	\$15
MT108	Massage	Kinesiology I	Course Fee	\$15
MT	Massage	Kinesiology II (New Course) \$15	Course Fee	\$15
MT111	Massage	Sports Massage	Course Fee	\$15
MT112	Massage	Pregnancy-Child Massage	Course Fee	\$15
MT113	Massage	Myofascial Release	Course Fee	\$15
MT114	Massage	Massage Therapy Skills Lab	Course Fee	\$15
MT115	Massage	Trigger Point Therapy	Course Fee	\$15
MT117	Massage	Body Maintenance for Massage	Course Fee	\$15
MT118	Massage	Deep Tissue Massage	Course Fee	\$15
MT119	Massage	Craniosacral	Course Fee	\$15
MT121	Massage	Eastern Bodywork II	Course Fee	\$15

## 2025/26 Course Fee Schedule - Changes Only (continued)

Department	Title	Fee	Increase/ (Decrease)
Massage	Massage I - Swedish	Program Fee	\$ (45)
Massage	Massage II - Swedish	Program Fee	\$ (45)
Massage	Massage III - Swedish	Program Fee	\$ (45)

This is the second reading.

*Whereas*, RCC fees are reviewed annually in the Budget process and determined in accordance with Resolution Nos. P28-96/97, P53-96/97, and B76-98/99; and,

**Whereas**, the College has considered revenues and expenditures for the 2025/26 fiscal year and recommends the above changes to the current fee structure;

**Resolved,** that the RCC Board of Education adopts Resolution No. B31-24/25 approving the 2025/26 Fee Schedule (attached), with the above-mentioned fees.

Action: Approved

Gary Plano, Chair, RCC Board of Education

Dated: March 18, 2025

#### **Science Lab Course Fees**

The College offers science labs in biology, chemistry, geology, physical science, and general physics. These labs involve activities emphasizing the practical application of theory in a field of study. These types of courses promote the use of critical and evaluative thinking. The ambiguous or open-ended scenarios encourage students to contemplate the implications of their decisions. These courses also promote concept attainment through experiential practice, helping students understand the nuances of a concept. Students often find themselves more deeply engaged as they experience the activity first-hand.

The resources and time required to develop a quality learning experience within a lab are greater than those of a standard course. These courses require a higher faculty-to-student ratio than standard instructional courses. In addition, these labs require specific equipment and technology, along with instructional supplies, to complete assignments. In the 2023/24 academic year the Science department spent \$71,396 on instructional supplies. The vast majority of these expenses were for lab supplies.

The Science department saw a 35% increase in FTE from the 2022/23 academic year to the 2023/24 academic year. Furthermore, the Science department in up an addition 16% this year.

The Science department is proposing to increase the lab fee from \$10 to \$20 per lab course (see list below) to help offset these costs. In the 2023/24 academic year, the current science lab fee of \$10 generated \$25,560 in revenue and is estimated to generate \$28,030 in 2024/25. By increasing the Science lab fee to \$20 and anticipated enrollment increases we estimate the revenue it will generate to be somewhere around \$56,000. While this will not fully cover the cost of all the instructional supplies needed for the Science labs it will help offset some of the costs. A fee for Science labs of \$20 is below what the majority of community colleges across Oregon are charging (see attachment). This fee will be in addition to standard tuition and fees charged to students.

Course	Title	Course	Title
BI101L	Introduction to Biology I Lab	CHEM222L	General Chemistry II Lab
BI102L	Introduction to Biology I Lab	CHEM223L	General Chemistry III Lab
BI103L	Introduction to Biology III Lab	G101L	Introduction to Geology I Lab
BI121L	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	G102L	Introduction to Geology II (Surface Process) Lab
BI122L	Elementary Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	G103L	Introduction to Geology III (Historical) Lab
BI211L	General Biology I Lab	GS104L	Physical Science: Physics Lab
BI212L	General Biology II Lab	GS107L	Physical Science: Physics Lab
BI213L	General Biology III Lab	GS108L	Physical Science: Oceanography Lab
BI231L	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	GS170L	Regional Field Geology Lab
BI232L	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	PH201L	General Physics I Lab
BI233L	Anatomy and Physiology III Lab	PH202L	General Physics II Lab
BI234L	Microbiology Lab	PH203L	General Physics III Lab
CHEM104L	Introductory Chemistry Lab	PH211L	General Physics (Calculus Based) I Lab
CHEM105L	Introductory Organic Chemistry Lab	PH212L	General Physics (Calculus Based) II Lab
CHEM106L	Introductory Biochemistry Lab	PH213L	General Physics (Calculus Based) III Lab
CHEM221L	General Chemistry I Lab		

#### Diesel

Rogue Community College (RCC) offers a Diesel Technology program with multiple pathways, including an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Diesel Technology, a Diesel Specialist Certificate, and a Preventive Maintenance Technician Career Pathway Certificate. These programs provide hands-on training in diesel repair, diagnostics, and preventive maintenance for highway trucks and heavy equipment. The AAS and certificate programs align with industry standards, emphasizing lab-based learning and real-world application. With a high demand for skilled diesel technicians, RCC's program prepares students for rewarding careers in the diesel industry.

We propose a \$136 fee for DS275 – Preventative Maintenance Inspection to integrate the Department of Transportation (DOT) certification exam into the existing curriculum. While DS275 already covers DOT inspection procedures, there is currently no mechanism to offer the certification exam, which is a critical industry requirement. This certification ensures that students are proficient in standard DOT inspection processes, a fundamental skill for diesel technicians responsible for maintaining vehicle safety and compliance. With ongoing Transportation Technology initiatives, this fee will guarantee both the instruction and certification opportunities, better-preparing students for employment and career advancement in the diesel industry.

#### **Fire Science**

In 2012/13, Fire Science was approved to assess course fees to help offset the price of instructional materials and equipment. Since then, we have seen the programs transform into premier programs with little to no enrollment declines. Fire Science courses are taught at Jackson County Fire District 3's training facility, a few miles from Table Rock Campus. This partnership includes the use of our joint building and provides our students with access to training in realistic environments, including District 3's training tower and Burn City (simulation of burning buildings).

The Fire Science program combines classroom theory and experiential learning. Hands-on learning is the only way students can directly understand the intricacies of the field they will eventually enter. When students are taught by doing, each is shown the correct ways to perform an activity, they have a visual of what is happening and how to respond appropriately. Students learn a wide range of skills, from fire suppression to emergency rescue. During class, they handle hazardous materials, fight fires, use extrication equipment, and practice basic EMT skills. The hands-on experience in a realistic environment is necessary to teach students how to complete tasks successfully, how to troubleshoot complex problems, properly identify and use the necessary equipment, and practice providing optimal responses to fires, car accidents, and other emergencies.

RCC's fire science courses require a higher faculty-to-student ratio than standard instructional courses. In addition, these courses require equipment and technology specific to the program, along with instructional supplies necessary to complete lab assignments. Examples include annual certification for turnouts, additional costs to meet accreditation standards set by the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, fire trucks, partnership agreements for the use of training facilities, and the rising costs of lumber used during training.

The following schedule details the courses' proposed fee increase (highlighted in yellow). Courses with fees that are not changing are not listed. The estimated revenue for 2024/25 is \$13,200.

Course	Title	2024/25 Fee	Proposed Change	2025/26 Fee
FRP233L	Firefighter Safety and Survival	\$250	<mark>\$250</mark>	\$500
FRP251L	Firefighter Essentials I	\$500	<mark>\$250</mark>	\$750
FRP252L	Firefighter Essentials II	\$250	\$100	\$350
FRP258	Pump Operator	0	\$100	\$100

### **Emergency Medical Services**

In 2009/10, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) was the first department (other than HPER) to assess course fees to help offset the price of instructional materials and equipment. Over the past 13 years, we have seen the program transform into a premier program with little to no enrollment declines. In 2021, EMS was awarded Perkins funding to purchase an Immersive Interactive Simulation System that fully engages students by producing highly realistic environments for students to learn by combining video, audio, sensors, content, and software, allowing the creation of a truly immersive and interactive environment in a single room.

The EMS program combines interactive classrooms and hands-on learning. Students in RCC's program gain the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize, assess, and manage medical emergencies and patients with acute traumatic and medical conditions in a pre-hospital setting. Their interactive classroom simulations and hands-on clinical opportunities prepare students to provide optimal response and care to victims of any emergency, disaster, or mass casualty event.

RCC's EMS program requires a higher faculty-to-student ratio than standard instructional courses and practicums. These courses require equipment and technology specific to the program, along with instructional supplies necessary to complete lab assignments. Examples include ambulances, medication for instructional simulations, additional costs to meet accreditation standards set by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, practicum partnerships, and rising costs of instructional materials supplied by the College.

The following schedule details the courses' proposed fee increase (highlighted in yellow). Courses with fees that are not changing are not listed. The estimated revenue for 2024/25 is \$32,350.

Course	Title	2024/25 Fee	Proposed Change	2025/26 Fee
EMS271L	Paramedic Care and Practice I	\$300	<mark>\$200</mark>	\$500
EMS272L	Paramedic Care and Practice II	\$300	<mark>\$200</mark>	\$500
EMS273L	Paramedic Care and Practice III	\$300	<mark>\$200</mark>	\$500
EMS281	Paramedic Clinical Practice I	\$100	<mark>\$100</mark>	\$200
EMS282	Paramedic Clinical Practice II	\$100	\$1 <mark>00</mark>	\$200
EMS283	Paramedic Clinical Practice III	\$100	\$1 <mark>00</mark>	\$200
EMS284	Paramedic Clinical Capstone	\$200	\$1 <mark>00</mark>	\$300
ES131L	Emergency Medical Technician Part I	\$200	<mark>\$1</mark> 00	\$300
ES132L	Emergency Medical Technician Part II	\$200	\$1 <mark>00</mark>	\$300
ES171	EMT Part I	\$0	<mark>\$100</mark>	\$100

### **Health and Physical Education/Recreation Course Fees**

The Physical Education/Recreations (PE) courses with significant fees are offered as credit courses which provide a recreational learning experience. A recreational learning experience is one where the student has self-selected to attend or participate in a course for "fun" and the "learning" that occurs is viewed as fun too. Students are not required to take these courses and have the option of selecting a PE course with lower fees.

The Health Education (HE) course fees represent the cost of the online content used during class and cost of the CPR card provided at the end of the class. For consistency, all courses, whether online or in person, are charged the same fees.

HPER fees are examined annually to find the breakeven point of running these courses. The updated fees are representative of this breakeven analysis. The following schedule details the courses that have a proposed increase in fees (highlighted in yellow). Courses with fees that are not changing are not listed.

Course	Title	2024/25 Fee	Proposed Change	2025/26 Fee
PE185BPA	Backpacking Adventure	\$230	<mark>\$12</mark>	\$242
PE185HOA	Hiking Oregon Adventure	\$233	<mark>\$38</mark>	\$271
PE185MBT	Mountain Biking	\$221	<mark>\$54</mark>	\$275
PE185KSA	Kayaking the Sea Coast Adventure	\$613	<mark>\$46</mark>	\$659
PE185KWW	Kayaking Whitewater	\$549	<mark>\$68</mark>	\$617
PE185MTA	Mountaineering	\$228	<mark>\$31</mark>	\$259
PE185RCA	Rock Climbing Adventure	\$267	<mark>\$26</mark>	\$293
PE185RCB	Beginning Rock Climbing	\$297	<mark>\$38</mark>	\$335
PE185RRV	Rafting the River	\$416	<mark>\$55</mark>	\$471
PE185SUA	Surfing Adventure	\$249	<mark>\$30</mark>	\$279
PE185WSA	Winter Survival and Snow Camping	\$229	<mark>\$20</mark>	\$249
PE185ZLG	Zip Line Guide Technical Skills	\$95	<mark>\$370</mark>	\$465
OAL 223	Wilderness Navigation NA	\$0	<mark>\$183</mark>	\$183
PE185SAS	Step and Stuff NA	\$0	<mark>\$100</mark>	\$100

#### Massage

#### Introduction

The Massage Therapy program at Rogue Community College (RCC) offers two distinct pathways: the Entry Level Therapist program and a One-year Certificate program. Completion of either program meets the requirements for state licensure and national certification.

#### **Program Overview**

Through a combination of classroom instruction and hands-on experience, the RCC Massage Therapy program prepares individuals to provide relief and improve the health and wellbeing of clients through manual techniques that manipulate the skin, muscles, and connective tissues.

#### **Career Opportunities**

Whether your goal is to work in a medical office, resort, day spa, on a cruise ship, or to start your own private practice, the massage therapy training you receive at RCC can help you achieveyour dream. Our program allows graduates to enter the workforce with competitive annual salaries:

- Entry level in the field: \$38,400 (based on working for a chiropractor and earning \$40/hour for 20 massages a week)
- **3 years in the field:** \$69,120 (based on working independently and earning approximately \$72 per massage, accounting for 40% overhead and taxes)

#### **Program Updates**

We are excited to announce plans of course offerings at the Table Rock Campus. Initially, we will offer Continuing Education classes, with plans to eventually include credit-bearing classes. Additionally, we are updating the curriculum and courses in our program. This reboot involves costs for new teaching aids, such as lotions, oils, and tools. Consequently, we have reevaluated our class fee structure, particularly for lab classes that utilize the most classroom aids.

#### **Proposed Fee Structure for Massage Therapy**

In previous years, we have implemented a program fee of \$45, which is charged to every student each quarter, regardless of how many classes they were signed up for with lab components. A program fee applies to students who enroll in a massage class and have declared their major as Massage Therapy and is applied every term that a student is enrolled in the Massage Therapy classes. A program fee creates an inequity for part-time enrolled students, as well as students who are attending RCC with Massage Therapy coursework from other institutions, because they are paying the course fee for every term they are in classes. Full-time students pay the program fee fewer times.

Moving forward we propose changing this fee structure from Program fee to a class fee model. Instead of a blanket program fee, we will attach specific fees to individual classes that include lab components. This approach aims to more accurately reflect the costs associated with each course and provide greater transparency for our students. Our proposal is to end the program fee of \$45, and instead apply lab fees to each class that cover the cost of the instructional materials utilized during lab-based classes.

## **Massage Continued**

Course	Title	2024/25 Fee	Proposed Change	2025/26 Fee
MT100	Massage I - Swedish	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT102	Massage II – Swedish	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT103	Massage III – Swedish	\$0		\$15
MT101	Eastern Body Theory	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT105	Hydrotherapy and Oncology Massage	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT tBD	Special Populations (New Course) \$15	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT106	Upper Body Massage Treatments	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT107	Lower Body Massage Treatments	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT108	Kinesiology I	\$0		\$15
MT TBD	Kinesiology II (New Course) \$15	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT111	Sports Massage	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT112	Pregnancy-Child Massage	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT113	Myofascial Release	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT114	Massage Therapy Skills Lab	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT115	Trigger Point Therapy	\$0		\$15
MT117	Body Maintenance for Massage	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT118	Deep Tissue Massage	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15
MT119	Craniosacral	\$0	<b>\$15</b>	\$15
MT121	Eastern Bodywork II	\$0	<mark>\$15</mark>	\$15