Kalamazoo Valley Community College
Tuition and Fee Information

In the past Kalamazoo Valley has charged a tuition rate per credit hour and assessed an additional fee for courses that required participation in additional contact hours such as a lab. Kalamazoo Valley will now be charging students for every contact hour rather than per credit hour. For many classes, the cost will not change. Classes with additional contact hours will now reflect the cost of the additional instruction time.

Along with every course description there is a strategy code that defines the number of credit hours that will be earned for the course, the number of lecture hours and the number of lab hours the student will be required to participate in each week. Students will use the strategy code to determine how much tuition they will be paying.

Following are two examples of tuition calculations. The first shows a course with contact hours that equate to the credit hours that will be earned. The second is a course with contact hours that exceed the number of credits.

Example 1:

Course description:

ENG 111 College Writing II: Literature
3-3-0 (Composition)/3-0-0 (Online) This course offers practice in writing techniques, including the research report. It will employ the reading and analysis of nonfiction, fiction, poetry, and drama. Recommended prerequisite: ENG 110.

Strategy code (credits – lecture hours – lab hours): 3-3-0

Contact hours (lecture hours + lab hours): 3

Tuition charged based on the in-district rate of $95 per contact hour: $285.00

Example 2:

Course description:

ANM 186 Multimedia
3-2-3 (Lecture/1 Standard Lab/2 Open Lab) This course applies the elements of storytelling in multiple medium forms. Using audio, photography, videography, marketing, and web to convey an idea that compliments the other mediums. Prerequisite: ANM 101 or ANM 102, or ANM 103, ANM 104, ANM 105 or ANM 106.

Strategy code (credits – lecture hours – lab hours): 3-2-3

Contact hours (lecture hours + lab hours): 5

Tuition charged based on the in-district rate of $95 per contact hour: $475.00