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## Section E: Fees

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Fees are effective January 2025. The fee schedule is reviewed annually and is subject to change. **No refunds are allowed except as noted.** Payments via check and postal mail must be postmarked by the due date listed. Payment via ACH is preferred.

## Fees for Initial Accreditation and Reaccreditation

Interested applicant schools are required to complete the Prospective Applicant Accreditation Training before receiving the Part I Application. Contact [info@meacschools.org](mailto:info@meacschools.org) for more information.

<b>Part I</b> (due with Preliminary Application)	\$324
<b>Part II</b> (due with Self Evaluation Report):	
Base Rate for all accredited programs and institutions	\$2023.92
Fee per student ( <i>programmatic accreditation</i> )	\$7.56
Fee per student ( <i>institutional accreditation</i> )	\$14.04
Fee per student at an institution that offers <i>distance education</i>	\$7.56
Fee per student at a <i>degree-granting</i> institution	\$7.56
Fee per student in an institution that participates in <i>Title IV</i>	\$8.64

**Part III** (due 8 weeks before the site visit): *see Other Miscellaneous Fees section for site visit fees.*

## Annual Sustaining Fees

Sustaining fees are charged annually, even when reaccreditation fees are paid or during the year when initial accreditation is granted. These fees are a base amount, with additional charges applied per enrolled student. The specific fees depend on the type of accreditation and services offered, such as degree-granting status and Title IV participation.

The student count used to calculate these fees is based on the number of enrolled students as of December 31 of the previous calendar year. This count includes part-time students and those on temporary leave. Sustaining fees are reviewed and adjusted annually to account for inflation.

### Sustaining Fees

Base Rate for all accredited programs and institutions	\$4002.48
Fee per student ( <i>programmatic accreditation</i> )	\$87.48
Fee per student ( <i>institutional accreditation</i> )	\$147.96
Fee per student at an institution that offers <i>distance education</i>	\$24.84
Fee per student at a <i>degree-granting</i> institution	\$88.56
Fee per student in an institution that participates in <i>Title IV</i>	\$60.48

Example: A degree-granting institution with 10 students enrolled as of December 31 of the previous year would pay \$6,356.88 in fees. This example assumes the institution does not offer distance education or participate in Title IV programs, so no additional fees for those services are included.

The fee calculation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \$4002.48 \text{ (base fee)} + 10 \times \$147.96 \text{ (per-student fee)} + 10 \times \$87.48 \text{ (add'l per-student fee for degree-granting)} \\ & \text{Total: } \$6,356.88 \end{aligned}$$

**Annual Sustaining Fees are billed in July and cover the period of July 1 through June 31 and are due October 15.**

Payment plans are available for an additional fee of \$50 per payment.

**Note regarding newly preaccredited and reaccredited schools:** Sustaining fees will be prorated for the remainder of the year that your school was initially accredited or preaccredited. For example, sustaining fees cover one fiscal 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.

**Note regarding Institution or Program Closure:** Per MEAC policy, sustaining fees will be prorated for any institution/program closing, according to the final day the institution/program is open.

## Substantive Change Fees

Change in Mission/Purpose	\$378
Change in Ownership, Legal Status, or Form of Control (plus Site Visit fees)	\$1080
Changes in Curriculum:	
Addition or discontinuation of a program (*Amount assessed will depend on the scope and impact of the change, including the addition of each direct assessment program)	\$0-1080*
Addition or discontinuation of a course or courses that result in:	
Significant departure in content	\$378
Significant departure in method of delivery (includes distance learning)	\$1080
Addition of courses at a higher degree/credential level (includes a change to degree-granting status)	\$1080
Change in the method for measuring student progress	\$540
Substantial increase or decrease in credit hours awarded	\$378
Significant changes in capacity for clinical training	\$378
Change of Location	\$378
Addition of a New Branch Campus (plus Site Visit fees)	\$1080
Addition of an Additional Location providing at least 50% of the program (plus Site Visit fees)	\$378
Entering a contract with another institution to provide more than 25% of the program	\$1080
Acquisition of any other institution or program or location of another institution	\$1080
Addition of a permanent location or site at which a teach-out is conducted for another institution	\$1080
The decision to participate or cease participation in Title IV Programs	\$1080

# Other Miscellaneous Fees

1-day staff consult	\$270
Site Visit Fees	\$4,125 (if on-site visit)
Virtual site visit	\$270/day
DA Clinical Site Visit	\$2500
30-day extension fee	\$162
• available only for steps in the comprehensive review process	
• a refund of \$108 is allowed, if an extension is denied	

Penalty for late submission of all MEAC required reports, including, but not limited to, Annual Reports, TRAC Reports, Monitoring Reports, accreditation process reports (Parts I-IV, e.g., SER). See Section G: Policies & Procedures,

1 - 30 days late	\$216
31 - 60 days late	\$540

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

No report may be submitted late without exhausting extension options before the due date.

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

Due date means received via email or Weave by 11:59 pm in the time zone of the institution/program’s main office as listed on the Part I application associated with their most recent initial or renewal of accreditation.

Penalty for late submission of Annual Sustaining Fees payments:

1 - 30 days late	\$216
31 - 60 days late	\$540

Accredited entities over 60 days late will have their accreditation suspended for nonpayment. See Section G: Policies & Procedures,

Appeal Fee (plus ad hoc committee expenses)	\$216
Hearing Fee (plus ad hoc committee expenses)	\$540