Refund Policy

Refunds will be given for withdrawal from a course, change in status, or change from one tuition rate to another tuition rate according to the timelines established below. Students completely withdrawing from their home campus must submit the Complete Withdrawal Form at the Admissions & Records Office. Separate refund schedules have been developed based on the way the course is offered.

Tuition and Fees Refund Regular 16-Week Courses

In the event a student initiates before the fourth week of instruction a complete withdrawal from the College, change from full-time to part-time status, or change from one tuition rate to another, if applicable, tuition and special course fees are refunded as indicated below:

100% tuition refund for complete withdrawal if made on or before the last day of late registration. All related fees will be refunded.

100% tuition refund for change of status (partial withdrawal) or change in tuition rate if made on or before the last day of late registration. Student fees are refunded if changes are made before the first day of instruction.

50% tuition refund for complete withdrawal, change in status or change in tuition rates if made after the late registration period but on or before the end of the third week of instruction. No related fees will be refunded.

0% refund if complete withdrawal, change in status or change in tuition rate is made beginning of the fourth week of instruction.

Student Fees Refunds

100% refund of Student Activities, Health Center and Board of Student Communication fees if a complete withdrawal is made on or before the last day of late registration. All fees will be refunded if partial withdrawal or exchange in registration is made before the first day of instruction. No fees will be refunded if withdrawal or change in status is made after the first day of instruction to last day of late registration.

Payment of Refund

Students should receive a refund within four weeks following the end of the 50% refund period (beginning of the fourth week of instruction.)

Special Courses Refund

Part-of-Term Courses

Part-of-Term (modular or accelerated courses) are offered for fewer than the regular 16 weeks and begin/end at different times in the semester. For refund information or withdrawal dates of specific part-of-term courses, visit http://www.leeward.hawaii.edu/part-of-term

Summer Session

Refunds for Summer Session courses are determined by the elapsed instructional time as a percentage of the total instructional time for the course. For refund information or withdrawal dates of the respective summer session term, please check the schedule of courses or on the College's website.

Non-Credit Courses or Workshops

Refunds for courses and workshops offered through the Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Development will be permitted if the request is made at least five business days (Monday–Friday, excluding holidays) prior to the start of the course. Please allow 6-8 weeks for refunds.

For non-credit courses offered through the English Language Institute, students will receive 100% refund if withdrawal occurs before the start of classes. A 50% refund is available for the first three days of class. No refund thereafter.

Changes to Schedule of Courses Affecting Student’s Schedule:
When changes by the College to the published Class Availability precipitate a change in the student's schedule (complete withdrawal/change from full-time to part-time status), and the changes to the published schedule have occurred after the student registered, tuition and special course fees are refunded upon approval of the Dean of Arts and Sciences or the Dean of Career and Technical Education.