
DEAC Annual Dues and Fees

FY 2025-2026

A. Dues

DEAC Dues shall be the following: Annual dues shall be eighty-six hundredths of one percent (.86% or .0086) of school cash collections up to \$3,500,000, but in no case, shall an organization pay dues of less than \$3,000. For school cash collections exceeding \$3,500,000, the organization shall pay \$600 per million or part thereof. Subsequent changes in dues shall be based on the .86 percent amount and shall be stated as a percentage of organizational cash collections.

B. Fees

Each institution will pay an annual Accreditation Fee based on the total annual cash collections from distance study enrollments received by the institution during the preceding calendar year. This annual fee is separate from and in addition to the annual dues for membership in the Distance Education Accrediting Commission.

The Accreditation Fee schedule is:

Total Cash Collections:

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| \$0 to \$100,000 | \$300 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | \$500 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | \$1,000 |
| \$500,000 to \$749,999 | \$1,500 |
| \$750,000 to \$999,999 | \$2,000 |
| \$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 | \$3,000 |
| \$2,000,000 to \$2,999,999 | \$4,000 |
| \$3,000,000 and over | \$5,000 |

An accredited institution with no tuition income will be charged an Annual Accreditation Fee, up to \$4,000, established by the Accrediting Commission for the institution or category of institutions.

C. Listing Fees

The name of **each** accredited institution and the name of **each** of its separately advertised divisions or courses must appear alphabetically in the Accrediting Commission's list of accredited institutions (*Directory of Accredited Institutions*). The Annual Accreditation Fee covers **one** institution listing. A fee of either one half of the institution's Annual Accreditation Fee or **\$1,500**, whichever is less, will be charged for each additional listing.

D. Title IV Fees

Each Title IV participating institution will pay a special Title IV Fee based on the total annual cash of collections from **net** Title IV revenues received by the institution during the preceding calendar year. **Net Title IV is the total amount of Title IV cash received by an institution minus any return of Title IV funds and any Title IV credit balances sent to students.** This annual fee is separate from and in addition to the annual accreditation fees and the annual dues

for membership in the Distance Education Accrediting Commission.

DEAC Title IV Participant Fee shall be .05% or .0005 of an institution's total **net** cash collections from Title IV revenues up to **\$7** million, but in no case shall an organization pay less than \$3,000 for this fee annually. For cash collections from Title IV revenues exceeding **\$7** million, the institution shall pay \$1,000 for each \$1 million or part thereof.

E. Late Payment of Dues and Fees

If Dues and Fees are not paid in full by April 30th, an interest charge of 1.5% per month (18% per year) will be charged on the outstanding Dues and Fees balance. If a Dues and Fees balance remains as of September 30th, the institution will be subject to a special accreditation examination.

Examples of Dues and Fees Calculations

1. Institution Example A reported that cash collections for the last calendar year were \$52,000. Therefore:

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| $\$52,000 \times .0086 = \447.20 , or the minimum \$3,000 | Dues | \$3,000 |
| See Accreditation Fee Schedule | Fees | <u>\$300</u> |
| Total Amount Due | | \$3,300 |

2. Institution Example B is a degree-granting institution that reported cash collections for the last calendar year were \$629,752. Therefore:

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| $\$629,752 \times .0086 = \$5,415.86$ or \$5,416 | Dues | \$5,416 |
| See Accreditation Fee Schedule | Fees | 1,500 |
| School has one additional Directory listing ($\frac{1}{2}$ of \$1,500 = \$750) | Listing Fees | <u>750</u> |
| Total Amount Due | | \$7,666 |

3. Institution Example C reported cash collections for the last calendar year were \$5,240,000 of which \$3 million were through Title IV funds. Therefore:

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| $\$5,240,000 - \$3,500,000 = 1,740,000$. $\$3,500,000 \times .0086 = \$30,100$ plus \$1,740,000 is equal to \$2 million. $2 \times \$600 = \$1,200$. | Dues | \$31,300 |
| See Accreditation Fee Schedule | Fees | 5,000 |
| Title IV Fees ($\$3,000,000 \times .005$) | Title IV | <u>15,000</u> |
| Total Amount Due | | \$51,300 |