



Certificate of Theology

Financial Plan

Participants in the [FEC Certificate of Theology](#) plan enjoy a tremendous discount on tuition rates with our partnering seminaries—an FEC-only rate of \$335 per credit hour.

Special tuition rate breakdown

Total tuition cost of the program:

\$360 tuition per credit hour
x 3 credit hours per course
<hr/> x 9 courses
\$9,720 total tuition for 27 credit hours

Additional three-pronged matching funds provision

In addition, FEC offers a three-pronged matching funds resource to further reduce participant cost. When the individual and their sponsoring church both contribute 1/3rd of the tuition cost, FEC will match with the final 1/3rd.

- Three-pronged payment partnership:
 - Individual: 1/3rd (\$360 per 3 credit hour course)
 - Sponsoring church: 1/3rd (\$360 per 3 credit hour course)
 - FEC matching grant: 1/3rd (\$360 per 3 credit hour course)*

(note: participation in the matching program by those not currently holding an FEC ministry credential requires formal recommendation by an FEC-credentialed leader or the governing board of an FEC church)
- Final tuition cost for the individual:
 - \$1,080 per school year (3 courses; 9 credit hours)
 - \$3,240 for the entire three-year Certificate program (9 courses; 27 credit hours)

(note: the individual is responsible for any textbook costs and/or additional fees)

Requirements & Specifics

1. Tuition is paid one school year (3 courses) at a time, prior to the Fall semester.
2. Participants must first apply for the Certificate of Theology program through the FEC Pastoral Development office by the posted deadline (approx. 8 weeks prior to the start of the Fall semester).
3. Both the individual's contribution to the 3-pronged matching program (\$1,005 per school year) and the sponsoring church's contribution (\$1,005 per school year) must be received in full by the FEC Office by the posted deadline (approx. 4 weeks prior to the start of the Fall semester once accepted into the program).
4. Tuition payments should be made payable to the Fellowship of Evangelical Churches (not to the school), 6535 Maplecrest Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46835.
5. Tuition payments are non-refundable and may not be transferred to another student.
6. Individuals who receive special permission to join the Certificate program mid school year will pay the balance of that year's tuition based on courses remaining (\$720 for spring & summer courses, \$360 for summer course if matched by the individual's

sponsoring church & FEC). Once accepted into the program, tuition for subsequent school years must be paid in full each Fall.

7. Upon completion of the FEC Certificate of Theology program, participants desiring to continue toward a degree program with one of the partner seminaries may do so at the same \$360 per credit hour tuition rate (subject to adjustment for inflation) if done so under the continued auspices of the FEC Pastoral Development office. Contact the FEC Office for further details and instructions.
8. Due to the special tuition rate, no further financial aid (scholarships/grants/federal student loans) is available through the participating seminaries. Those who continue in a full degree program after completion of the FEC Certificate of Theology do not qualify for school-based financial aid, but may apply for student loans (inquire with individual seminaries as to availability and process).

** FEC's matching fund is considered a loan made to the individual. The loan may be repaid by service in an approved FEC ministry. One year's service forgives one year's tuition contribution. Starting at the completion of the first year of courses, service years may be completed concurrently with ongoing participation in the Certificate of Theology course work. If the loan is not repaid by service in FEC, the individual shall begin making payments to amortize the loan over a five-year period. Payments shall include principle and interest. The rate of interest shall be established by the FEC General Board.*