

SENIOR CITIZEN TUITION WAIVER APPLICATION 2026-2027

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The Senior Citizen Course Act (110 ILCS 990) permits senior citizens, 65 years of age or older, to enroll in regularly scheduled credit courses at public institutions of higher education without the payment of tuition. **This benefit does not include payment of fees, books, or supplies.** Students must meet the eligibility requirements listed below.

View this act (110 ILCS 990/) in its entirety:

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=1172&ChapterID=18>

1. STUDENT INFORMATION (Please print clearly)

Student Name: _____ X Number: _____

Preferred Contact: Phone _____ or E-mail _____

2. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the provisions of Senior Citizen Courses Act (110 ILCS 990), you must meet the following requirements: *(Please see next page for definition of terms)*

- Age 65 or over by the first day of the term: Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ / _____ / _____
- Resident of Illinois (Waiver is for in-district tuition only)
- Annual 2025 **household income** at or below 200% of the 2025 federal poverty level:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$31,300 for a household of one	<input type="checkbox"/> \$64,300 for a household of four
<input type="checkbox"/> \$42,300 for a household of two	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75,300 for a household of five
<input type="checkbox"/> \$53,300 for a household of three	<input type="checkbox"/> \$86,300 for a household of six

Enrollment at Waubonsee for the following terms *(Please check all that apply)*:

- Fall 2026 Spring 2027 Summer 2027

The following three documents must be submitted to the Registration and Records Office:

- Completed 2026-2027 Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver Application
- Proof of age and Illinois Residency (Waiver is for in-district tuition only)
(Acceptable documentation: Valid IL issued Driver's License, State ID Card, or US Passport)
- Proof of household income: Signed 2025 Federal Tax Return including all schedules

Tuition waivers will be processed and awarded by the Student Accounts and Cashier Office after all documentation is received and submitted to Registration and Records.

3. CERTIFICATION

I declare under penalties of law that the information supplied in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Further, I authorize any person having any records of the information reported herein to disclose to the College, if requested, all information and substantiation for the documentation provided.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only:

Registration and Records Office Staff In District _____ (Initial)

Student Accounts and Cashier Office Staff _____ (print) _____ (signature)

SENIOR CITIZEN TUITION WAIVER INCOME GUIDELINES & DEFINITIONS

The following section from the Senior Citizen Courses Act describes the manner in which qualified “senior citizens” are determined:

1801 Senior Citizen defined

1 (c) "Senior citizen" means any person 65 years or older whose annual household income is less than the threshold amount provided in Section 4 of the "Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act", approved July 17, 1972, as amended.

The following sections from the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act describe the manner in which “household income” is to be determined:

403.05 Household defined

3.05 “Household” means a claimant or claimant and spouse living together in the same residence.

403.06 Household income defined

3.06 “Household income” means the combined income of the members of a household.

403.07 Income defined

3.07 “Income” means adjusted gross income, properly reported for federal income tax purposes under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, modified by adding thereto the sum of the following amounts to the extent deducted or excluded from gross income in the computation of adjusted gross income:

(A) An amount equal to all amounts paid or accrued as interest or dividends during the taxable year.

(B) An amount equal to the amount of tax imposed by the Illinois Income Tax Act paid for the taxable year.

(C) An amount equal to all amounts received during the taxable year as an annuity, under an annuity, endowment, or life insurance contract or under any other contract or agreement.

(D) An amount equal to the amount of benefits paid under the Federal Social Security Act during the taxable year.

(E) An amount equal to the amount benefits paid under the Railroad Retirement Act during the taxable year.

(F) An amount equal to the total amount of cash public assistance payments received from any governmental agency during the taxable year other than benefits received pursuant to this Act.

(G) An amount equal to any net operating loss carryover deduction or capital loss carryover deduction during the taxable year.

(H) An amount equal to any benefits received under the Worker’s Compensation Act or the Workers’ Occupational Diseases Act during the taxable year.

“Income” does not include any distributions or items of income described under subparagraph (X) of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 203 of the Illinois Income Tax Act or any payments under Section 2201 or Section 2202 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

404 Maximum household income defined

4 (7) as of September 1, 2011, have a maximum household income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level