



**EDGEWOOD**  
UNIVERSITY

# CUTTING EDGE PROGRAM COST & FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The **CUTTING EDGE PROGRAM** at Edgewood University was piloted in 2007, making it the first four-year university in Wisconsin to offer a fully inclusive college experience for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Since then, the program has continued to grow and offers individualized wrap-around services to support students in academics, independent living, social experiences, and practicums/internships.

## DEGREE SEEKING

*Up to 36 credits per academic year*

Full-Time Tuition*	.....	\$37,120
Cutting Edge Support Fee	.....	\$9,800

## NON-DEGREE SEEKING

*12 credits and under per semester*

Cutting Edge Program & Support*	.....	\$32,600
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## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Individualized college planning meetings
- Academic advising by Cutting Edge staff
- Academic assistance through course coaching
- Employment skills training
- Paid student internship experience
- Residential support
- Daily living, safety education, and college success courses
- Public transportation training
- Social opportunities and supports
- Weekly one-on-one meetings with professional staff
- Transitional services
- Assistance with navigating community resources
- Access to health and wellness services
- Monthly parent meetings
- Annual Cutting Edge events for students and families

## STUDENT OUTCOMES

- Students will exhibit self-determination and independence
- Students will enhance employment skills and experiences
- Students will improve their academic skills
- Students will demonstrate personal safety on campus and in the community
- Students will model appropriate social skills with peers, staff, and faculty
- Students will improve in organizational skills and time management
- Students will practice technology skills
- Students will strive to become active members of the Edgewood University and Madison community

*\*Housing, meals, books, and other supplies are not included*

# FINANCIAL AID

The cost of attending the Cutting Edge Program varies depending on whether a student is pursuing a bachelor's degree or a certificate (non-degree seeking).

TYPE OF AID	DEGREE SEEKING	CERTIFICATE (Non-Degree Seeking)
<b>FEDERAL &amp; STATE GRANTS</b>		
Undergraduate students who have not previously earned a bachelor's degree may be considered for awards that do not require repayment.		
<b>FEDERAL PELL GRANT</b> A federal need-based grant. Maximum eligibility is for 12 full-time semesters.	X	X
<b>FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT</b> A federal need-based grant. Priority is given to Pell Grant recipients.	X	X
<b>WISCONSIN GRANT</b> A need-based grant for WI residents. Maximum eligibility is for 10 semesters.	X	
<b>VETERANS AFFAIRS BENEFITS</b> Contact Edgewood Central for more information.	X	X
<b>EDGEWOOD COLLEGE GRANTS &amp; SCHOLARSHIPS</b>		
<b>ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS</b> Presidential, Founders, Heritage, ACCESS or Transfer Scholarships. Awarded to first-time freshmen or new transfer students based on academic achievement.	X	
<b>DEPARTMENTAL &amp; SPECIALTY AWARDS</b> Awarded based on talent, background, or community involvement.	X	
<b>EDGEWOOD GRANTS</b> Awarded based on financial need or academic achievement.	X	
<b>CUTTING EDGE SCHOLARSHIPS</b> Awarded annually based on merit and need.	X	X

## IRIS FUNDING

Students who are eligible for IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct) may receive funding to be used towards programming costs, but not housing. IRIS is a long-term care option for Wisconsin residents who are eligible for Medicaid.

## PAYMENT & LOAN OPTIONS

Regular monthly statements are generated by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month and students are notified via their Edgewood University email.

Monthly payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month. If making monthly payments, there is a flat \$75 enrollment fee per semester.

Parent Plus and Alternative Loans are also available. Please see our website for additional information:  
[www.edgewood.edu/admissions/tuition-and-financial-aid/financial-aid-resources](http://www.edgewood.edu/admissions/tuition-and-financial-aid/financial-aid-resources)

## NEXT STEPS

### AUGUST 1 - NOVEMBER 30

(one year prior to desired entry)

- *Optional:* Attend an Open House and/or Pre-College Summer program
- Email [cuttingedge@edgewood.edu](mailto:cuttingedge@edgewood.edu) to receive application information
- Send in admissions materials
- Complete FAFSA & *Optional* Cutting Edge Scholarship Application

### DECEMBER

- Receive interview offer if selected to move forward

### JANUARY

- Attend Cutting Edge interview

### MARCH

- Submit letter of intent

## HELPFUL LINKS

Complete the FAFSA  
(Free Application for  
Federal Student Aid):  
**STUDENTAID.GOV**



Information about IRIS:  
**DHS.WISCONSIN.GOV/IRIS**



Information about  
higher education options  
for people with  
intellectual disabilities:  
**THINKCOLLEGE.NET**

