



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

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 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



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 20th of each month and students are notified via their Edgewood University email.

Monthly payments are due by the 15th 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