# Houston Community College
## Senior Citizen Exemption Programs

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<th>Governing Regulations</th>
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| Eligibility Requirements | • Texas Residents (In District and Out-of-District) or non-residents who are 55 years of age at the start of the term.  
• Enroll in classes for which the college receives tax support (i.e. a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover the cost).  
• Enroll in classes that are not already filled with students who are paying full price for the courses (if the class is too small to accommodate both paying students and senior citizens who want to take advantage of the exemption, the students paying for the class will be given priority).  
• To receive continuation of the award through HCC’s Senior Citizen Exemption Program, students must receive a grade point average of 2.0 or, for CEU & NCR, a measurement of satisfactory completion. | • Texas Residents (In District and Out-of-District) or non-residents who are 65 years of age at the start of the term.  
• Enroll in semester credit hour (academic) course only.  
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| Program Guidelines | • Only tuition and mandatory fees are covered by Senior Citizen Exemptions. Course-specific charges must be paid by the student.  
• All students must complete and sign a Senior Citizen Exemption Acknowledgement Agreement.  
• The Division of Extended Learning shall attach the exemption (W088C for CEU and W088 for NCR) to the student’s accounts registered for the class. A special web page for this purpose has been created for the use by authorized DEL staff.  
• College cashiers shall handle only SCH students. They will attach the W088 exemption code to the student’s account upon receipt of the Exemption Acknowledgement Agreement. | • Only tuition and mandatory fees (General fee, technology fee, student activity fee, recreation fee) are waived.  
• Course-specific fees (Lab fee, distance education fee, computer science program fee, etc.) are not waived and must be paid by the student.  
• All students must complete and sign a Senior Citizen Exemption Acknowledgement Agreement.  
• This exemption program does not apply to CEU/NCR courses in accordance with the statute mentioned above and the guidelines provided by Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.  
• College cashiers shall attach the Wo89 exemption code to the student’s account upon receipt of the Senior Citizen Exemption Acknowledgement Agreement. |