



AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED EXPENSES

FULL TIME

2025-2026

Course Length:	16 months (1,728 Clock Hours)
Tuition & Fees Rates Effective:	9/1/2025
Tuition & Fees:	\$5,948.00 <i>*Can be covered by TN Promise & TN Reconnect if eligible</i>
Textbooks:	\$450.00
Testing Fees:	\$1,080.00 <i>*not purchased through TCAT-Athens</i>
Tools:	\$3,423.28 <i>*not purchased through TCAT-Athens</i>

ESTIMATED TOTAL: \$10,901.28

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. The cost of attendance includes direct and indirect costs. Direct costs are fixed expenses that are paid directly to the school (tuition and fees). Indirect costs are not paid directly to the school (books, supplies, tools, uniforms, testing fees, etc.).
2. Costs listed above for textbooks, testing fees, tools, etc. are estimated and are subject to change without notice.
3. TCAT-Athens does not participate in ANY Federal Student Loan Programs or Federal Work Study Program.
4. Tuition rates are set by the Tennessee Board of Regents. Tuition costs usually increase annually in September.
5. All account charges (tuition, fees, special academic fees, etc.) are due by the beginning of each term if not covered by financial aid.
6. TCAT-Athens reserves the right to change required textbooks due to price increases and curriculum changes.
7. TN Promise and TN Reconnect are last dollar grants/scholarships that will pay for mandatory tuition and fees after any other federal and state financial aid have been awarded. They will not pay for books, special academic fees, tools, uniforms, supplies, testing fees, etc.
8. TCAT-Athens does not carry tools, uniforms, supplies, etc. Please make arrangements to purchase these items from outside sources.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:

To apply for financial aid, complete the FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov>.

To apply for state financial aid, create a TSAC Student Account.

Enter the federal school code 005358 for both.

A FAFSA must be filed for every year financial aid is needed.

For FAFSA assistance, please contact Darlene White with the Educational Opportunity Center at (423) 435-8442 or by email at jwhit195@utk.edu.

* Denotes costs that can be covered by TN Promise and TN Reconnect.

TRIMESTER 1 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: (due at registration if not covered by financial aid)		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TEXTBOOKS: (estimated cost & subject to change)		ISBN
CDX Fundamentals of Automotive Technology, Third Edition	9781284274875	\$225.00
Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Bundle	9781284272543	\$225.00
TOOLS: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
See Tool Attached List (estimated cost)		\$2,725.29
TESTING FEES: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
ASE Testing Fees (estimated cost)		\$270.00
TRIMESTER 1 ESTIMATED COST: \$4,932.29		
TRIMESTER 2 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: (due at registration if not covered by financial aid)		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TOOLS: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
See Tool Attached List (estimated cost)		\$481.10
TESTING FEES: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
ASE Testing Fees (estimated cost)		\$270.00
TRIMESTER 2 ESTIMATED COST: \$2,238.10		
TRIMESTER 3 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: (due at registration if not covered by financial aid)		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TOOLS: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
See Tool Attached List (estimated cost)		\$216.89
TESTING FEES: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
ASE Testing Fees (estimated cost)		\$270.00
TRIMESTER 3 ESTIMATED COST: \$1,973.89		
TRIMESTER 4 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: (due at registration if not covered by financial aid)		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TESTING FEES: (not purchased through TCAT-Athens)		
ASE Testing Fees (estimated cost)		\$270.00
TRIMESTER 4 ESTIMATED COST: \$1,757.00		
TRIMESTER 1 TOOL LIST		
Tools and supplies must be purchased from outside sources.		

Please have your tools for the term by the 3rd week of class.

Item Description	Quantity	Cost	Estimated Total Cost
Combination Wrenches:			
Standard (1/4" - 1 1/4")	1	\$150.99	\$150.99
Metric (7 mm - 24 mm)	1	\$150.99	\$150.99
Ear Protection	1	\$8.99	\$8.99
Pliers:			
Combination 6"	1	\$9.99	\$9.99
Hose Clamp	1	\$11.99	\$11.99
Lock Jaw Snap Ring Plier Set	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
Needle Nose 6"	1	\$5.89	\$5.89
Side Cutting	1	\$16.99	\$16.99
Safety Glasses (must meet OSHA requirements)	2	\$9.99	\$19.98
Gasket Scraper	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Screwdriver Set (Blade Type): Stubby 6", 9", 12"	1	\$49.99	\$49.99
Screwdriver Set (Phillips): Stubby #1, #2; 6" #1, #2; 12" #3	1	\$49.99	\$49.99
Socket Set - 1/4" Drive:			
1/4" - 1/2" Standard Depth	1	\$29.99	\$29.99
1/4" - 1/2" Deep	1	\$34.99	\$34.99
6 mm - 12 mm Standard Depth	1	\$29.99	\$29.99
6 mm - 12 mm Deep	1	\$34.99	\$34.99
Flex/Universal Type	1	\$8.99	\$8.99
3", 6" Extensions	1	\$19.99	\$19.99
Ratchet	1	\$33.99	\$33.99
Socket Set - 3/8" Drive:			
5/16" - 3/4" Standard Depth (6 point)	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
3/8" - 3/4" Deep (6 point)	1	\$49.99	\$49.99
10 mm - 19 mm Standard Depth	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
10 mm - 19 mm Deep	1	\$49.99	\$49.99
Breaker Bar - 3/8" Drive	1	\$29.99	\$29.99
Breaker Bar - 1/2" Drive	1	\$44.99	\$44.99
Extensions Set (3", 5", 12")	1	\$19.99	\$19.99
3/8" Flexhead Ratchet	1	\$29.99	\$29.99
3/8" Ratchet	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
Spark Plug Sockets 5/8"	1	\$2.99	\$2.99
Spark Plug Sockets 13/16"	1	\$2.99	\$2.99
Universal Joint	1	\$8.99	\$8.99
Flexible Socket Set 3/8" - 3/4"	1	\$34.97	\$34.97
Flexible Socket Set 10 mm - 19 mm	1	\$34.97	\$34.97
Socket Set - 1/2" Drive:			
7/16" - 1 1/8" Standard Depth	1	\$54.99	\$54.99
7/16" - 1 1/8" Deep	1	\$64.99	\$64.99
10 mm - 24 mm Standard Depth	1	\$54.99	\$54.99
30 mm - 38 mm Big 6 Point Sockets	1	\$59.99	\$59.99
10 mm - 24 mm Deep	1	\$64.99	\$64.99
1/2" to 3/4" Adapter	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
3" X 6" 12" Extensions Set	1	\$44.99	\$44.99
1/2" Ratchet	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
Tire Pressure Gauge	1	\$5.99	\$5.99
Torque Wrenches:			
3/8" Drive (10-250 in lb)	1	\$115.99	\$115.99
1/2" Drive (50-250 lb ft)	1	\$124.99	\$124.99
Tool Box, Rollaround	1	\$599.99	\$599.99
8" Adjustable Wrench	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Impact Gun (1/2" Drive)	1	\$169.99	\$169.99
C-Clamp Set (4" to 10")	1	\$27.96	\$27.96
Brake Tool Set	1	\$19.99	\$19.99
Shirts (Dickies Dark Blue-available at WalMart)	4	\$22.99	\$91.96

TRIMESTER 1 ESTIMATED TOOLS COST: \$2,725.29

TRIMESTER 2 TOOL LIST

Tools and supplies must be purchased from outside sources.

Please have your tools for the term by the 3rd week of class.

Estimated

Item Description	Quantity	Cost	Total Cost
Chisel Set	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Chisel Holder	1	\$10.99	\$10.99
Feeler Gauge (Blade Type):			
.002" - .040"	1	\$4.99	\$4.99
.006 mm - .070 mm	1	\$4.99	\$4.99
File Set:			
Coarse 6" and 12"	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Fine 6" and 12"	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Half Round 12"	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Round 6" and 12"	1	\$14.99	\$14.99
Flare Net (tubing) Wrenches:			
3/8" - 3/4"	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
10 mm - 17 mm	1	\$39.99	\$39.99
Flashlight	1	\$29.99	\$29.99
HackSaw	1	\$13.99	\$13.99
Hammers:			
40 and 16 oz Ball Peen (set)	1	\$22.99	\$22.99
Dead Blow Plastic Mallet	1	\$11.99	\$11.99
Inspection Mirror	1	\$3.99	\$3.99
Magnetic Pickup Tool	1	\$4.99	\$4.99
Pick Set Large & Small	1	\$24.99	\$24.99
Punches:			
Center	1	\$3.99	\$3.99
Brass Drift	1	\$50.99	\$50.99
Pin 1/8", 3/16", 1/4", 5/16" (set)	1	\$8.99	\$8.99
Taper 3/8", 1/2", 5/8" (set)	1	\$14.89	\$14.89
Wire Brush	1	\$2.46	\$2.46
Wire Crimpers (Strippers)	1	\$9.99	\$9.99
Turkey Baster	1	\$1.00	\$1.00
Dark Blue Pants or Blue Jeans	4	\$24.99	\$99.96

TRIMESTER 2 ESTIMATED TOOLS COST: \$481.10

TRIMESTER 3 TOOL LIST

Tools and supplies must be purchased from outside sources.
Please have your tools for the term by the 3rd week of class.

Item Description	Quantity	Cost	Estimated Total Cost
Air Blow Gun (must meet OSHA requirements)	1	\$17.99	\$17.99
Allen (Wrench or Socket) Set - Standard (0.50" - 3/8")	1	\$17.99	\$17.99
Allen (Wrench or Socket) Set - Metric (2 mm - 8 mm, 10 mm, 12 mm)	1	\$19.99	\$19.99
Battery Post Cleaner	1	\$2.99	\$2.99
Volt OHMMeter Digital Basic 30 Range	1	\$44.99	\$44.99
Spark Plug Feeler Gauge	1	\$4.99	\$4.99
Test Light:			
12 volt	1	\$11.99	\$11.99
Self-Powered	1	\$21.99	\$21.99
3/8" Drive Torx Set (Screwdrivers and/or Sockets)	1	\$25.99	\$25.99
T-8 to T-60	1	\$17.99	\$17.99
Drop Light	1	\$29.99	\$29.99

TRIMESTER 3 ESTIMATED TOOLS COST: \$216.89