KLA Corporation / KLAC

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Current price	Daily move	Bid / Ask	Previous close
$156.01	+2.90 +1.90%	$148.86/$149.83	$153.11

Market	**NYSE**
Industry	**Semiconductors**
Market data as of	**Nov 3, 2026 11:31 PM EST**

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JW Rank	Rank label	Confidence	IV percentile
51.4 / 100	Balanced	high	71 / 100

Model reference	Upside scenario	Risk reference	Wheel strategy fit
$154.90	$166.00	$148.00	74 / 100

Options stance	**bearish**
Tail-risk safety	**56 / 100**
JW Rank data coverage / as of	**100.0% | Nov 3, 2026 6:50 PM EST**

Key insight

KLAC Option Market Implies Continued Downtrend

Market read

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Strategy context

The KLAC option market shows a preference for downside protection through put options. This is likely driven by concerns about continued weakness in the semiconductor sector and uncertainty surrounding future demand.

JW AI conclusions

Short- and medium-term model interpretation

AI context bias	**Bearish**
AI analysis updated	**Nov 3, 2026 2:25 PM EST**

Short-term scenario

Cautious, low-conviction bounce attempt over 1-3 weeks on the earnings/guidance backdrop and sector rebound, but technicals remain bearish and resistance is nearby. High uncertainty; use small size only and reassess if price fails to hold above recent intraday support. This is not a high-probability setup.

Three-month outlook

Fundamentals (AI/advanced-packaging demand, backlog visibility, and sequential growth guidance) could support a recovery toward the lower end of analyst targets if execution holds and the sector stabilizes. However, uncertainty is high: the stock is in a technical downtrend well below major moving averages, valuation multiples are elevated, semiconductor demand is cyclical, and post-earnings selling showed investor skepticism. A plausible range is roughly $140-190 depending on whether the bounce extends or the downtrend resumes; downside risk increases if guidance is walked back or macro conditions weaken. Outcomes are not predictable from current data.

Market sentiment

Organic discussion is limited and mixed-to-cautious. One trader noted that KLAC (alongside NVDA and AVGO) bounced but ran into a falling 10-EMA and stalled, framing it as a test of whether a downtrend rally can turn rather than a confirmed reversal. Other recent posts are largely promotional. Sentiment balances recognition of the earnings beat and AI exposure against technical resistance and recent price weakness. Social sentiment is noisy and not a reliable signal.

Supporting evidence

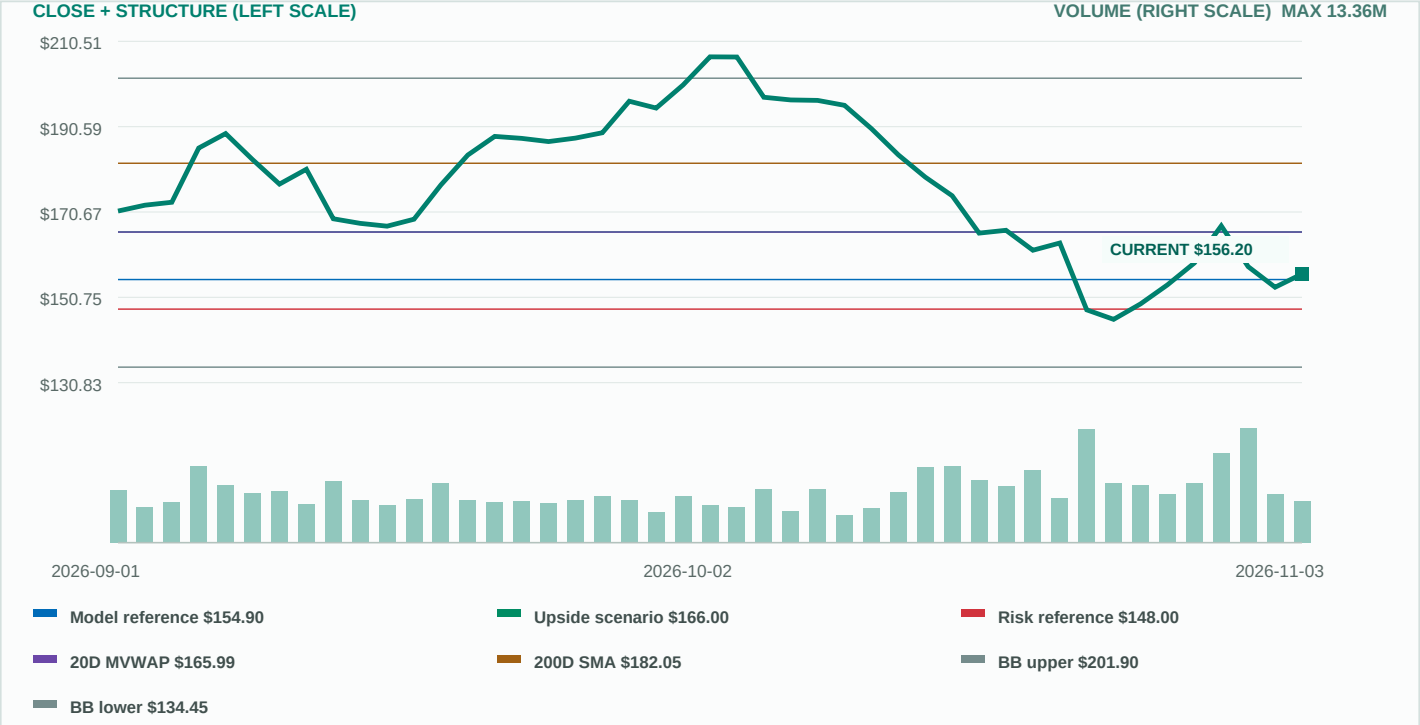
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Risk watch

KLAC's valuation multiples are elevated, making it susceptible to downward revisions if earnings growth disappoints.

Enhanced price structure

45 trading days with volume, model levels and current technical reference bands



45 complete trading-session observations

JW Rank factors

Score, source coverage and interpretation for each decision factor



Decision summary

Primary model reads before the detailed indicator appendix

Momentum	Institutional flow	Structure	Volatility
strong_bear	Below MVWAP	Below 200D trend	high

Decision indicators

Detailed momentum, institutional and structural observations

Momentum kinematics

Direction, velocity and oscillator state

Current read	**STRONG BEAR | neutral | MACD accelerating**
Trend signal	**STRONG BEAR**
RSI signal	**neutral**
RSI (7 / 14 / 21)	**42.56 / 40.08 / 40.77**
RSI velocity	**-1.98**
MACD line / signal / histogram	**-8.34 / - / -7.90**
MACD acceleration	**0.11**
Stochastic K / D	**29.61 / 31.98**

Institutional footprints

Volume-weighted cost, price location and flow

Current read	**Below institutional MVWAP | Distribution bias**
Institutional flow	**-1.87**
20-day MVWAP	**$165.99**
Price vs 20-day MVWAP	**-6.01%**
Daily reference VWAP	**$156.21**
Price vs daily reference	**-0.13%**
Volume	**4.88M**

Structural context

Long-term trend and volatility boundaries

Current read	**Below 200-day trend | Negative macro velocity**
Macro velocity	**-2.40**
20-day / 200-day SMA	**$168.18 / $182.05**
Bollinger range	**$134.45 - $201.90**
Bollinger position	**0.322**

Options and volatility intelligence

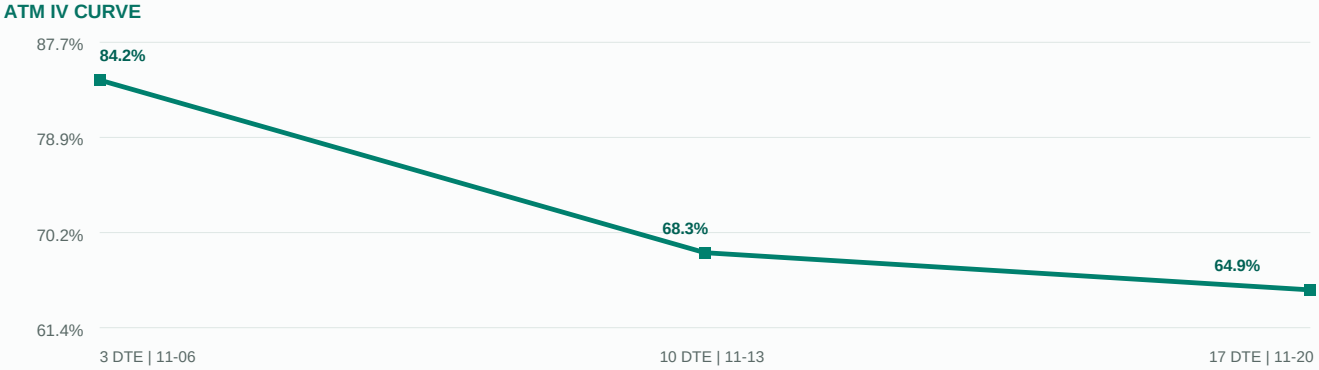
Structure, premium conditions and principal risks

IV rank	IV percentile	VVIX	SKEW
37 / 100	71 / 100	107.06	152.78

Market regime	**Calm**
Tail-risk regime	**NORMAL TAIL RISK**
Term structure	**backwardation**
Term slope	**-19.29 pts**
Skew read	**PUT DEMAND ELEVATED**
Liquidity / quote coverage	**100.0%**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 3, 2026 2:47 PM EST**
Options data quality	**Coverage 88.9%**

Option term structure

ATM implied-volatility curve by days to expiration



Downward-sloping ATM volatility term structure

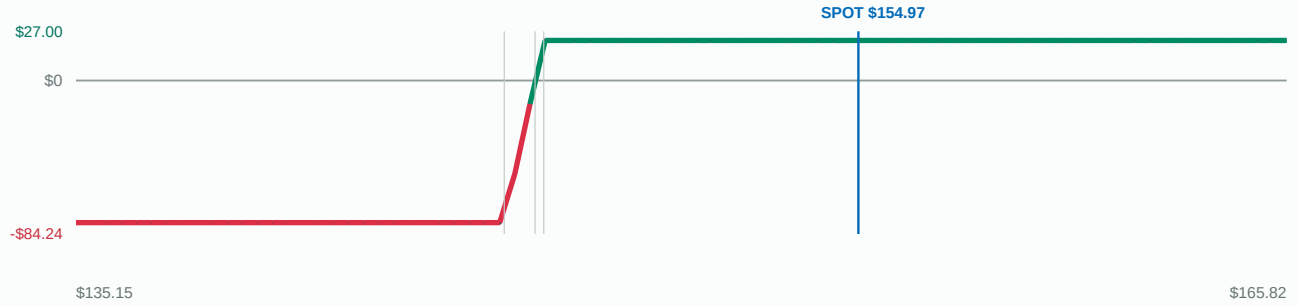
EXPIRATION	DTE	ATM IV	STATE
2026-11-06	3	84.2%	-
2026-11-13	10	68.3%	-
2026-11-20	17	64.9%	-

Reference spread payoff

Illustrative expiry profit/loss per one-lot structure, including quoted net credit

Bull Put Spread reference

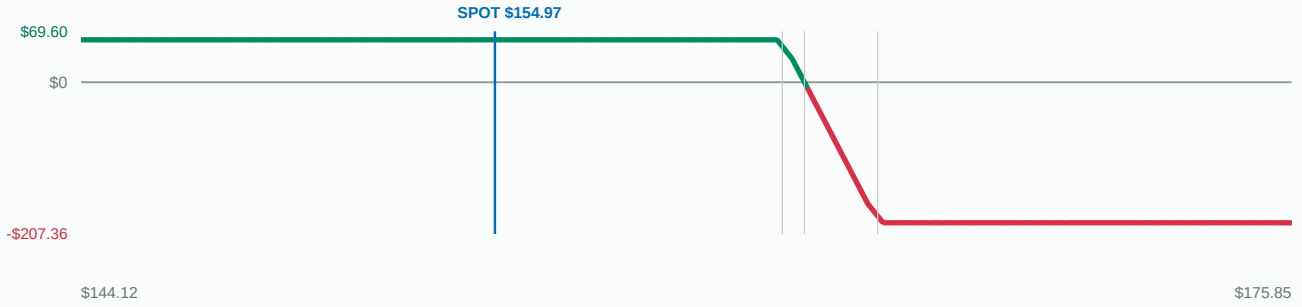
Short $147.00 | Long $146.00 | Width $1.00 | Net credit $0.22



Max profit $22.00 | Max loss -$78.00 | Break-even $146.78 | Per contract at expiry

Bear Call Spread reference

Short $162.50 | Long $165.00 | Width $2.50 | Net credit $0.58



Max profit $58.00 | Max loss -$192.00 | Break-even $163.08 | Per contract at expiry

Event and tail-risk context

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

Next earnings date	**2027-01-28**
Earnings IV-crush risk	**NOT MEASURED**
VIX	**20.63**
VVIX	**107.06**
SKEW index	**152.78**
Observation confidence	**high**
Option quote quality	**reliable**
Contracts observed	**105**

Event and tail-risk context (continued)

Known event windows and broad volatility conditions

FIELD	VALUE
Contracts with quotes	**105**

Strategy fit

Generalized structure fit; not a personalized recommendation

Market structure

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Options context

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Observed evidence

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Principal risks to monitor

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Fundamentals and events

Business quality, valuation and upcoming event context

Market capitalization	P/E (TTM)
$199.50B	**38.22**
ROE	Revenue growth
87.0%	**9.0%**
EPS growth	Operating margin
14.9%	**42.6%**
Net profit margin	Gross margin
36.3%	**-**
Free cash flow CAGR	Debt / equity
14.0%	**0.93**
Dividend yield	Beta
1.0%	**1.50**

52-week range

$107.20 - $307.37

Company or fund profile

Issuer identity and classification

Name	Market
KLA Corporation	**NYSE**
Industry	Country
Semiconductors	**US**
Currency	IPO date
USD	**1980-10-08**
Shares outstanding	52-week return
1.30B	**26.7%**
Book value per share	Revenue per share
$5.00	**$11.06**

Website	kla.com

Latest strategy observation

Most recent shared general market signal available when this report was generated

KLAC Covered Call signal

Nov 3, 2026 10:27 AM EST

Covered Call | 2026-11-13

At signal $155.70 | Current $156.01

SHORT **Option $160.00 B $5.00 / A $5.80**

Conservative | CR $5.40

Complete technical details

Full supporting indicator set used by the symbol detail experience

Volatility and options market

Price movement and premium conditions

ATR	**$8.12**
ATR as % of price	**5.2%**
Volatility environment	**high**
Current IV	**60.6%**
IV rank	**37 / 100**
IV percentile	**71 / 100**
Technical Snapshot IV source	**Private fundamentals snapshot**
Technical Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 3, 2026 6:31 PM EST**

Technical health and risk radar

Derived indicator health and event context

Overall health	**50 / 100**
Trend health	**25 / 100**
Momentum health	**73 / 100**
Volatility health	**32 / 100**
Structure health	**82 / 100**
Earnings risk / date	**low | 2027-01-28**
Macro risk	**unknown**
Volatility risk	**high**
Structure risk	**low**

Structural indicator levels

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

SMA (20 / 50 / 200)	**$168.18 / $177.49 / $182.05**
EMA (9 / 21)	**$158.34 / $166.12**
Bollinger upper / middle / lower	**$201.90 / $168.18 / $134.45**

Structural indicator levels (continued)

Moving averages, volatility bands and observed trading ranges

FIELD	VALUE
Bollinger %B	**0.322**
True high / low	**$158.29 / $153.11**
5-day true high / low	**$171.31 / $152.75**

Three-day indicator history

Short-horizon change and the underlying three-session observations

INDICATOR	3-DAY CHANGE	SESSION 1 / 2 / 3
SMA20	-2.400	**-**
SMA50	-0.561	**-**
MVWAP20	-1.865	**-**
MACD	0.110	**-**
RSI	-1.977	**-**
Volume	-1849946.330	**-**
ATR	0.032	**-**
T1	-	**-8.58 / 167.84 / 162.13 / 152.75**
T2	-	**-8.46 / 169.37 / 167.43 / 156.03**
T3	-	**-8.67 / 171.59 / 171.31 / 158.77**

Detailed options evidence

Supporting option-chain, execution and data-quality observations

Underlying price at observation	**$154.97**
Options Snapshot IV sources	**ATM: option chain | Rank/percentile: fundamentals**
Options Snapshot IV observed at	**Nov 3, 2026 2:47 PM EST**
Options data coverage	**88.9%**
SKEW regime	**HIGH TAIL RISK SKEW**
VVIX regime	**VVIX FLAT**
Front expiration / DTE	**2026-11-06 | 3 DTE**
Front at-the-money IV	**84.2%**
25-delta skew	**5.22**
Put / Call 25-delta	**$147.00 Delta -0.241 / $162.50 Delta 0.279**
Median option bid/ask spread	**13.7%**
Bid/ask spread	**-**
Contracts observed / quoted	**105 / 105**

Price context

Last Price: 154.97 | Bid: 154.95 | Ask: 154.99 | Previous Close: 153.11 | Change: 1.86 | Daily change: 1.21% | Update Time: 2026-11-03T14:47:43.708712-05:00 | Latest History Date: 2026-11-03 | Latest History Price: 154.97

Historical context

Trading-day sample: 60 sessions | First Date: 2026-08-11 | Latest Date: 2026-11-03 | Latest Price: 154.97 | Max Drawdown 60d Percent: -30.45%

Fundamental context

Current Iv Percent: 60.48% | Iv Rank: 36.87 | Iv Percentile: 70.92 | Next Earnings Date: 2027-01-28 | Ex Dividend Date: 2026-08-16

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