



Item: AFSP: A-10

AUDIT AND FINANCE/STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEES

Wednesday, June 13, 2007

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL TO INITIATE REGULATION PROMULGATION FOR
BOARD OF TRUSTEES ESTABLISHED INCREASES IN STUDENT FEES FOR
ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-2008.**

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Authorize approval of the increase in graduate in-state tuition (matriculation fee and student financial aid fee); authorize the promulgation of the Tuition and Fee Regulations reflecting the BOT increases; and authorize the University President to amend the regulations, consistent with Board of Governors' directives and guidelines.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This information was reviewed at the June 6, 2007 Audit and Finance Committee: The Florida Legislature provided a base increase of 5 percent in undergraduate in-state tuition during the 2007 session, which was subsequently vetoed by the governor. The Legislature also authorized the FAU Board of Trustees to increase graduate and out-of-state tuition. The University is recommending an increase in graduate in-state tuition of 5 percent which will increase the graduate matriculation fee by \$10.02 and the graduate student financial aid fee by \$0.50. The University is not recommending an increase in out-of-state tuition. In order to maintain consistency between in-state and out-of-state matriculation fees, the rule reflects an increase in the graduate out-of-state matriculation fee of \$10.02 and a decrease in the Non-resident fee of \$10.02.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

July 1, 2007.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Establishes regulations consistent with Board of Trustees directives.

Supporting Documentation: Proposed Regulation 8.001 Amendment: Chapter 8, Tuition and Fees; and, FAU Tuition/Fee History.

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FAU Affordability

At FAU, actual out-of-state enrollment by headcount in Fall 2006 was 1,819 (1,240 undergraduate, 521 graduate, 58 unclassified) and 2,044 (1,471 undergraduate, 498 graduate, 75 unclassified) in Fall 2004 – remaining fairly constant. However, expressed as a percent of total enrollment, FAU's out-of-state enrollment has declined from 10.5% of total enrollment in Fall 2000 to 7.1% of total enrollment in Fall 2006.

A comparison of in-state and out-of-state resident and non-resident tuition and fees at FAU to state and national averages shows the following:

- FAU's in-state undergraduate tuition and fees for AY 06-07 for 30 hours was \$3,259. The State of Florida average was \$3,383. The national average was \$5,192. The State of Florida ranks 4th lowest. State of Florida average in-state undergraduate tuition and fees have increased by 25.4% over the past 4 years as compared to 38.9% nationally.
- FAU's in-state graduate tuition and fees for AY 06-07 for 20 hours was \$4,882. The State of Florida average was \$5,080. The national average was \$5,735. The State of Florida ranks 20th lowest. State of Florida average in-state graduate tuition and fees have increased by 39.2% over the past 4 years.
- FAU's out-of-state undergraduate tuition and fees for AY 06-07 for 30 hours was \$16,391. The State of Florida average was \$15,845. The national average was \$12,555. The State of Florida, as a whole, ranked 3rd highest of all states. State of Florida average out-of-state undergraduate tuition and fees have increased by 32.4% over the past 4 years.
- FAU's out-of-state graduate tuition and fees for AY 06-07 for 20 hours was \$18,267. The State of Florida average was \$17,281. The national average was \$12,576. The State of Florida ranked 2nd highest of all states. State of Florida out-of-state graduate tuition and fees have increased by 31.0% over the past 4 years.

NOTE: State of Florida rankings, national averages and four-year percent increases were taken from the Washington State Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Tuition and Fees in 14 Southern States (SREB Region) and National Average, 2006-07

<u>State</u>	<u>Undergraduate Resident</u>	<u>Undergraduate Non-Resident</u>	<u>Graduate Resident</u>	<u>Graduate Non-Resident</u>
Alabama	\$ 4,627	\$ 8,803	\$ 3,925	\$ 7,562
Arkansas	\$ 5,188	\$ 10,224	\$ 5,023	\$ 10,048
Florida	\$ 3,383	\$ 15,845	\$ 5,080	\$ 17,281
Georgia	\$ 3,434	\$ 11,524	\$ 3,938	\$ 13,533
Kentucky	\$ 5,367	\$ 13,318	\$ 5,962	\$ 13,708
Louisiana	\$ 3,523	\$ 9,327	\$ 3,395	\$ 8,552
Mississippi	\$ 4,231	\$ 9,824	\$ 4,231	\$ 9,824
North Carolina	\$ 3,652	\$ 13,297	\$ 4,044	\$ 13,556
Oklahoma	\$ 3,500	\$ 8,556	\$ 2,872	\$ 6,932
South Carolina	\$ 6,512	\$ 12,839	\$ 6,712	\$ 13,239
Tennessee	\$ 4,808	\$ 14,503	\$ 5,896	\$ 15,591
Texas	\$ 5,121	\$ 13,330	\$ 4,152	\$ 9,742
Virginia	\$ 6,426	\$ 16,040	\$ 6,284	\$ 14,501
West Virginia	\$ 4,141	\$ 9,958	\$ 4,611	\$ 12,314
SREB Average	\$ 4,565	\$ 11,956	\$ 4,723	\$ 11,885
National Average	\$ 5,192	\$ 12,555	\$ 5,735	\$ 12,576
FL v SREB Avg	\$ (1,182)	\$ 3,889	\$ 357	\$ 5,396
FL v Natl Avg	\$ (1,809)	\$ 3,290	\$ (655)	\$ 4,705

Source: Washington State Coordinating Board for Higher Education

Note: These data exclude the "flagship university" in each state (e.g., UGA, UT-Austin); however, University of Florida is included in the Florida average.

Comment: FL non-resident graduate tuition is the highest in the nation among "non-flagship universities."

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT
CHAPTER 8 - TUITION AND FEES
REGULATION 8.001

8.001 Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost.

(1) Tuition shall be defined as fees assessed to students for enrollment in credit courses at Florida Atlantic University. Tuition consists of the following fees, depending on whether a student is a resident or a non-resident:

(a) Resident tuition, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the fees charged an enrolled student who qualifies as a Florida resident:

1. Matriculation Fee;
2. Student Financial Aid Fee;
3. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
4. Building Fee;
5. Health Fee;
6. Athletic Fee;
7. Activity and Service Fee; and,
8. University Matriculation Fee.

(b) Non-Resident tuition, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the fees charged an enrolled student who does not qualify as a Florida resident:

1. Matriculation Fee;
2. Non-Resident Fee;
3. Student Financial Aid Fee;
4. Non-Resident Student Financial Aid Fee;

5. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
6. Building Fee;
7. Health Fee;
8. Athletic Fee;
9. Activity and Service Fee;
10. University Matriculation Fee; and,
11. University Non-Resident Fee.

(2) Registration shall be defined as consisting of three components:

- (a) Formal selection of one or more credit courses approved and scheduled by the University; and,
- (b) Tuition payment, partial or otherwise, or other appropriate arrangements for tuition payment (installment payment plans, deferment, or third party billing) for the courses in which the student is enrolled as of the end of the drop/add period; and,
- (c) Provision of background information where appropriate.

(3) Tuition liability or fee liability shall be defined as the liability for the payment of tuition and fees incurred at the point at which the student has completed registration, as defined above.

(4) The following tuition and fees shall be levied and collected effective the Fall 2002 semester for each student regularly enrolled.

- (a) Students enrolled in programs at Florida Atlantic University will be assessed the following fees per credit hour:

Fall Semester 2006⁷ *

	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	In-State	Out-of State	In-State	Out-of State
<u>Matriculation Fee</u>	\$ 73.71	\$ 73.71	\$ 200.59	\$ 200.59
<u>Non Resident Fee</u>	\$ -	\$ 414.73	\$ -	\$ 637.38
<u>Student Financial Aid Fee</u>	\$ 3.68	\$ 24.41	\$ 10.02	\$ 41.89
<u>Capital Improvement Fee</u>	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44
<u>Building Fee</u>	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32
<u>Activity & Service Fee</u>	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
<u>Health Fee</u>	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
<u>Athletic Fee</u>	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75
<u>Total Per Credit Hour</u>	\$ 110.90	\$ 546.36	\$ 244.12	\$ 913.37

	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	In-State	Out-of State	In-State	Out-of State
<u>Matriculation Fee</u>	\$ 73.71	\$ 73.71	\$ 210.61	\$ 210.61
<u>Non-Resident Fee</u>	\$ -	\$ 414.73	\$ -	\$ 637.38
<u>Student Financial Aid Fee</u>	\$ 3.68	\$ 24.41	\$ 10.52	\$ 41.89
<u>Capital Improvement Fee</u>	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.44
<u>Building Fee</u>	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.32
<u>Activity & Service Fee</u>	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
<u>Health Fee</u>	\$ 6.33	\$ 6.33	\$ 6.33	\$ 6.33
<u>Athletic Fee</u>	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75	\$ 13.75
<u>Total Per Credit Hour</u>	\$ 112.23	\$ 547.69	\$ 255.97	\$ 914.70

* This schedule does not include all fees that students will be charged.

(b) Students enrolled in medical programs may be charged additional fees as prescribed by the Medical Partnership Program.

(c) Each student enrolled in the same undergraduate course more than twice, shall be assessed an additional \$161.70 \$179.88 per credit hour charge in addition to the fees outlined above for each such course.

(5) The following process shall be used to determine the percentage of cost paid by students for setting the matriculation and non-resident fees.

(a) The most recent expenditure analysis, developed in compliance with Florida Statutes, will be used as the base for the full expenditure by level of instruction. Fundable credit hours estimated by the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees, for the year prior to the effective date of the fees, will be used for the enrollment base for each level. Expenditures for each level of instruction will be adjusted by using the percentage change in the total expenditures reported in the expenditure analysis as compared to the estimated total expenditures for the year prior to the effective date of the fees.

(b) The adjusted expenditures for each level of instruction will be divided by the credit hours to obtain the full expenditure per credit hour. The percentage of cost paid by students will be determined by finding the percentage the Matriculation Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for resident students; and by finding the percentage the sum of the Matriculation Fee and the Non-Resident Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for non-resident students.

Specific Authority: 1001.74(4) F.S.; Law Implemented: 1001.74(11), 1009.24 F.S., General Appropriations Act, 2004-05, Conference Committee Report on General Appropriations Act, 2004. History, New – Adopted September 30, 2002, Effective Date July 15, 2004. Effective September 14, 2005. General Appropriations Act, 2006. Revised Effective July 1, 2006. General Appropriations Act, 2007. Revised Effective July 1, 2007.

Financial Affairs

Board of Trustees
Tuition & Fees Impact
June 6, 2007

Semester Impact

Increase in Tuition and Fees*

	2006-07	2007-08	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
Undergraduate In-State	\$1,380.80	\$1,406.76	\$25.96	1.90
Undergraduate Out-of-State	\$6,606.32	\$6,632.28	\$25.96	0.39
Graduate In-State	\$1,758.84	\$1,851.79	\$92.95	5.28
Graduate Out-of-State	\$6,443.59	\$6,462.90	\$19.31	0.30

* Tuition Increase of 5 percent for Graduate In-State students; No increases for Undergraduate In-State students and Out-of-State students. No increases in Athletics Fee and Activity & Service Fee. Student Health Fee increase of \$1.33 per credit hour and Transportation Access Fee increase of \$10.00 per semester. Assumes 12 credit hours undergraduate and 7 credit hours graduate.

Semester Impact

Increase in Tuition and Fees Plus Housing

	2006-07	2007-08	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
Undergraduate In-State	\$3,962.85	\$4,062.26	\$99.41	2.50
Undergraduate Out-of-State	\$9,188.37	\$9,287.78	\$99.41	1.08
Graduate In-State	\$4,340.89	\$4,507.29	\$166.40	3.83
Graduate Out-of-State	\$9,025.64	\$9,118.40	\$92.76	1.02
Housing	\$2,582.05	\$2,655.50	\$73.45	2.84

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