BOARD OF REGENTS
BRIEFING PAPER

1. AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Procedures and Guidelines Revision, Non-Resident Distance Education Tuition Rates

MEETING DATE: April 17, 2026.

2. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 1.2.b.ii of the Board of Regents *Handbook* provides that the distance education tuition charge for eligible nonresident students is set at 50 percent of the registration fee. Under this formula, the charge is derived directly from the Board-approved registration fee.

Chapter 7, Section 1 of the NSHE *Procedures and Guidelines Manual* lists the non-resident distance education tuition charges for Nevada State University undergraduate and Community College upper-division as $113.25 per credit. However, application of the Handbook formula results in a charge of $113.00 per credit for both charges. This discrepancy reflects a clerical calculation error in the published fees submitted to the Board and approved at the January 23, 2026 Special Meeting.

This proposed revision aligns the published 2026–27 amount with the methodology established in Board policy.

3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

Revise the 2026–27 non-resident distance education tuition charges for Nevada State University undergraduate and Community College upper-division from $113.25 to $113.00 per credit to align the published tuition table with Board policy set forth in Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 1.2.b.ii of the Handbook.

4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

The proposed revision is being brought forward now to ensure that the published 2026–27 tuition and fee schedule is consistent with existing Board policy before continued implementation.

5. CHECK THE NSHE STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL THAT IS SUPPORTED BY THIS REQUEST:

- ☐ **Access (Increase access to higher education)**
- ☐ **Success (Improve student success)**
- ☐ **Close Institutional Performance Gaps**
- ☐ **Workforce (Meet workforce needs in Nevada)**
- ☐ **Research (Increase solutions-focused research)**
- ☒ **Coordination, Accountability, and Transparency (Ensure system coordination, accountability, and transparency)**
- ☐ **Not Applicable to NSHE Strategic Plan Goals**

6. INDICATE HOW THE PROPOSAL SUPPORTS THE SPECIFIC STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

The proposed revision supports coordination, accountability, and transparency by ensuring that the published tuition and fee schedule is consistent with Board policy and with the methodology approved by the Board. Accurate and consistent publication of student charges promotes transparency for students, institutions, and the public.

7. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed revision aligns the published 2026–27 distance education tuition charges with the formula in current Board policy.

8. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

9. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED:

Maintain the published undergraduate nonresident distance education tuition charges as currently published.

10. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE:

The Chancellor's Office recommends approval of this revision.

11. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

☒ Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title #4 Chapter #17 Section #1.2…ii
☐ Amends Current Board Policy: Title #_____ Chapter #_____ Section #_____
☒ Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter #7 Section #1
☐ Other:_____
☐ Fiscal Impact: Yes_____ No__X___
Explain:

NSHE Procedures and Guidelines Manual
CHAPTER 7, SECTION 1
Distance Education Tuition
Additions appear in ***boldface italics***; deletions are [~~stricken~~ and bracketed]

Section 1. Registration Fees and Non-Resident Tuition Rates

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Distance Education Tuition
(Rates are assessed in addition to registration fees)

	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, UNLV, UNR (undergraduate)	$140.50/ per credit	$144.25/ per credit	$156.50/ per credit	$169.25/ per credit	$183.75/ per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, UNLV, UNR (graduate)	$172.25/ per credit	$176.75/ per credit	$191.75/ per credit	$207.25/ per credit	$225.00/ per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, NSU (undergraduate)	$101.50/ per credit	$104.25/ per credit	[~~$113.25~~] ***$113.00***/ per credit	$122.50/ per credit	$132.75/ per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, NSU (graduate)	$136.75/ per credit	$140.50/ per credit	$152.25/ per credit	$164.75/ per credit	$178.75/ per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, CSN, GBC, TMCC, WNC (upper-division)	$101.50/ per credit	$104.25/ per credit	[~~$113.25~~] ***$113.00***/ per credit	$122.50/ per credit	$132.75/ per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, CSN, GBC, TMCC, WNC (lower-division)	$62.00/ per credit	$63.50/ per credit	$68.25/ per credit	$73.00/ per credit	$78.50/ per credit

*Assessed only to non-resident students who are residing outside of Nevada during the semester in which enrollment in the distance education course(s) occurs.