

BOARD OF REGENTS
BRIEFING PAPER
Tuition and Fees, NSC, Graduate Programs

BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

In October 2006 the Board of Regents approved a master's in Speech Pathology at Nevada State College. Commensurate with this new program is the need for graduate level in-state registration fees, non-resident tuition, and discounted fees.

Normally tuition and fees are established through a biennial review process, however at the time this process was completed no graduate programs existed at NSC.

SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

Approve graduate level fees at Nevada State College and associated policy change.

IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

Approval of the new fees is in anticipation of new enrollments commencing in January 2007.

BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

Calculation of new fees uses the methodology consistent with other fee levels at Nevada State College and reflects the appropriate charges for a master's level program.

POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

None known.

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

N/A

COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title #____ Chapter #____ Section #____

Amends Current Board Policy: *Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 1*

Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: *Chapter 7, Section 1*

Other: _____

Fiscal Impact: Yes No _____

Explain: *The proposed tuition and fees will generate additional revenues to be considered in the budget process.*

POLICY PROPOSAL
TITLE 4, CHAPTER 17, SECTION 1 (in part)
Fees & Expenses – Assessment of Fees

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2. On a biennial basis in the Spring of every even-numbered year, the Chancellor will appoint and chair a System committee composed of elected student government representatives, campus Presidents, and System Administration staff to gather and review data and to make recommendations to the Chancellor and the Board on an appropriate level of tuition and fees. The Committee will present its recommendations to the Board of Regents for its consideration and action. Whenever practicable: (1.) broad input will be sought from NSHE students by the Chancellor prior to any final or binding decisions by the Board; and (2.) the final decision on tuition and fees for the biennium will be determined by May 1 of every even-numbered year. (B/R 3/04)

In recommending such rates and fees for the universities, state college, and community colleges, the Committee will use as a benchmark the median of tuition and fees for the western states as reported by the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education (WICHE) in its annual publication "Tuition and Fees in the West." The following methodologies will establish the minimum tuition and fees after a phase-in period that began in academic year 2003-04 and will continue incrementally until the target rates are met. (B/R 3/04)

- a. Registration fees will be set so that the charge for full-time attendance (30 credits for undergraduate enrollment and 16 credits for graduate enrollment) is equivalent to the median of state averages published annually by WICHE for two-year and four-year colleges, respectively, using a three-year lag. Because WICHE does not differentially distinguish tuition and fees for upper-division courses at two-year colleges or for state colleges, the registration fees for these categories in the NSHE will be set at the midpoint between lower-division fees for community colleges and undergraduate-level fees at the universities. ***Registration fees for graduate level courses at the state college will be set at the midpoint between undergraduate fees at the state college and graduate fees at the universities.*** (B/R 3/04)
- b. In addition to registration fees, non-resident students also pay a tuition charge. Non-resident tuition for full-time undergraduate and graduate students (enrolled in 7 or more credits) will equal 120 percent of the median of non-resident undergraduate tuition and fees at four-year institutions as published by WICHE using a three-year lag. Non-resident tuition for part-time students (enrolled in 6 or fewer credits) will equal an amount calculated by multiplying the registration fees times 110 percent. (B/R 3/04)
- c. Students enrolling under the Good Neighbor classification (defined at Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 9) will, in addition to registration fees, pay a tuition charge as follows:

Community college and state college Good Neighbor tuition will be calculated by multiplying the registration fees times 60 percent. University Good Neighbor tuition will be calculated by multiplying the registration fees times 110 percent.

- d. Students enrolling under Children of Alumni classification (defined at Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 10) will, in addition to registration fees, pay a tuition charge equaling an amount calculated by multiplying the registration fees times 60 percent.
- e. Non-resident students enrolled exclusively in distance education courses will, in addition to registration fees, pay a tuition charge equaling the registration fees times 50 percent. The tuition charge will be 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. (B/R 3/04)
(B/R 04/02)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT
Procedures and Guidelines Manual
Chapter 7, Section 1

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Section 1. Registration Fees and Non-Resident Tuition Rates

Registration Fees

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Registration Fees, Universities (undergraduate)	\$98.00 per credit	\$105.25 per credit	\$116.75 per credit	\$129.50 per credit
Registration Fees, Universities (graduate)	\$136.00 per credit	\$149.75 per credit	\$172.25 per credit	\$198.00 per credit
Registration Fees, NSC (<i>undergraduate</i>)	\$74.50 per credit	\$79.00 per credit	\$85.75 per credit	\$93.50 per credit
<i>Registration Fees, NSC (graduate)</i>		<i>\$114.50 per credit</i>	<i>\$129.00 per credit</i>	<i>\$145.75 per credit</i>
Registration Fees, GBC (upper-division)	\$74.50 per credit	\$79.00 per credit	\$85.75 per credit	\$93.50 per credit
Registration Fees, CCSN (upper-division)			\$85.75 per credit	\$93.50 per credit
Registration Fees, Community Colleges	\$50.75 per credit	\$52.50 per credit	\$54.75 per credit	\$57.25 per credit

(B/R 6/04)

Non-Resident Tuition

(Rates are assessed in addition to registration fees)

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Full-time* Non-resident Tuition, Universities	\$9,467 per year	\$9,911 per year	\$10,810 per year	\$11,095 per year
Full-time* Non-resident Tuition, NSC	\$7,191 per year	\$7,437 per year	\$8,097 per year	\$8,398 per year
Full-time* Non-resident Tuition, Community Colleges	\$4,915 per year	\$4,962 per year	\$5,385 per year	\$5,709 per year

* Full-time non-resident tuition rates are assessed to students enrolled in 7 or more credits

(B/R 3/04)

Part-time Non-Resident Tuition

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, Universities (undergraduate)	\$107.75 per credit	\$115.75 per credit	\$128.50 per credit	\$142.50 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, Universities (graduate)	\$149.50 per credit	\$164.75 per credit	\$189.50 per credit	\$217.75 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, NSC (undergraduate)	\$82.00 per credit	\$87.00 per credit	\$94.25 per credit	\$102.75 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, NSC (graduate)		\$126.00 per credit	\$142.00 per credit	\$160.25 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, GBC (upper-division)	\$82.00 per credit	\$87.00 per credit	\$94.25 per credit	\$102.75 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, CCSN (upper-division)			\$94.25 per credit	\$102.75 per credit
Part-time** Non-resident Tuition, Community Colleges	\$55.75 per credit	\$57.75 per credit	\$60.25 per credit	\$63.00 per credit

**Part-time non-resident tuition rates are assessed to students enrolled in fewer than 7 credits
(B/R 6/04)

Good Neighbor Tuition

(Rates are assessed in addition to registration fees)

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Good Neighbor Tuition, Universities (undergraduate)	\$107.75 per credit	\$115.75 per credit	\$128.50 per credit	\$142.50 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, Universities (graduate)	\$149.50 per credit	\$164.75 per credit	\$189.50 per credit	\$217.75 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, NSC (undergraduate)	\$44.75 per credit	\$47.50 per credit	\$51.50 per credit	\$56.00 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, NSC (graduate)		\$68.75 per credit	\$77.50 per credit	\$87.50 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, GBC (upper-division)	\$44.75 per credit	\$47.50 per credit	\$51.50 per credit	\$56.00 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, CCSN (upper-division)			\$51.50 per credit	\$56.00 per credit
Good Neighbor Tuition, Community Colleges	\$30.50 per credit	\$31.50 per credit	\$32.75 per credit	\$34.25 per credit

(B/R 6/04)

Children of Alumni Tuition

(Rates are assessed in addition to registration fees)

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Children of Alumni Tuition, Universities	\$58.75 per credit	\$63.25 per credit	\$70.00 per credit	\$77.75 per credit

(B/R 3/04)

Distance Education Tuition

(Rates are assessed in addition to registration fees)

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, University (undergraduate)	\$49.00 per credit	\$52.75 per credit	\$58.50 per credit	\$64.75 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, University (graduate)	\$68.00 per credit	\$75.00 per credit	\$86.25 per credit	\$99.00 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, NSC (<i>undergraduate</i>)	\$37.25 per credit	\$39.50 per credit	\$43.00 per credit	\$46.75 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, NSC (graduate)		\$57.25 per credit	\$64.50 per credit	\$73.00 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, GBC (upper-division)	\$37.25 per credit	\$39.50 per credit	\$43.00 per credit	\$46.75 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, CCSN (upper-division)			\$43.00 per credit	\$46.75 per credit
Non-resident Tuition*, Distance Education, Community Colleges	\$25.50 per credit	\$26.25 per credit	\$27.50 per credit	\$28.50 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.*