Proposed UW Program Fees

UW Board of Trustees’ Meeting
November 18, 2016
Laramie, WY
UW Annual Instruction Cost per Full Time Enrollment = $14,616 (FY 2014)
UW Academic Year Tuition and Required Fees, Full Time Undergraduate = $4,646 (AY 2014)
Average of Comparators, Annual Instruction Cost/Full Time Student = $13,738 (FY 2014)
Average of 50 Comparators, Academic Year Tuition and Required Fees, Full Time Undergraduate = $10,020 (AY 2014)
MARKET INFORMATION

AMONG 11 PEER COMPARATOR SCHOOLS (2016/17)

- Tuition: UW (187%)
- Mandatory Fees: UW (135%)
- Tuition and Mandatory Fees: UW (173%)

UW
Average 11 near-peers.
10 of 11 have program fees
Most common: Business, Engineering, Nursing, Arts, Sciences/Quantitative.

Range from $2 - $137 per credit hour
Average: $45.90

11th School (NMSU) has significant fees for high-cost classes

Average per credit hour program fee at comparators
WHY PROGRAM FEES?

Committee felt program fees were the fairest means to maintain academic standards while striving to ensure student success.

- Reflect fact that costs of programs differ – user-pay principle.
- Value of benefits from programs after graduation differ.
- Allow students to avoid higher cost program costs if they wish to.
- Avoid implicit subsidy of flat tuition.
  - Tuitions from lower cost programs implicitly subsidize higher cost ones when university revenues are flat.
PROPOSED COLLEGE FEES

- Engineering: $69/credit hour
- Business: $45/credit hour
- A&S: $10/credit hour
- Agriculture: $10/credit hour
- Education: $45/credit hour
- ENR/Haub: $48/credit hour
- Health Science: $12/credit hour

All classes in these colleges/schools will be assessed these fees based on undergrad (under 5000) course code and college the department is in.
NEW COLLEGE FEES

PROPOSED COLLEGE FEES

New college fees will support improved *retention, graduation* and *employment preparation*.

1) **Seat Guarantee**
   - You will get the classes you need when you need them.

2) **Coordinated advising will begin – professional advisors**
   - Expansion in consistent, reliably-available (all year) advising with centrally-trained and certified advisors who develop intentional, relational contact with students

3) **Expanded Career preparation**
   - Coordinated services to ensure job-ready on Day 1 post grad.
   - Internship outreach and coordination

4) **Expansion of student success resources**
   - Math and communication centers and other help.
## Proposed Program Fees

### Arts & Science
- Sci-Q:  
  - Tier 1: $10/credit hour
  - Tier 2: $20/credit hour
  - Tier 3: $45/credit hour
- Music, T&D, Art: $45/credit hour

### AG:
- Tier A: $10/credit hour
- Tier B: $15/credit hour

### Health Science:
- Nursing, Comm. Dis.: $30/credit hour
- K&H: $25/credit hour
- WIND: $10/credit hour

These are paid in addition to those on the previous page where applicable (e.g. Sci-Q Tier 3 or Music/ T&D/Art plus A&S fee = $55/credit hour)
$369/semester across campus.

- Average additional amount program fees will add to student tuition/fees.
- Impact depends on your program.

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<th>Course of Study</th>
<th>Previous cost (4 yrs) (in-state)</th>
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$10.8 million estimated revenues collected by these fees

- $4 million is estimated to be used in *new expenditures* to support student services.
- $1.4 million is estimated to replace existing program fees (may be low due to accounting issues discussed in Aug).
- $5.4 million *net new income* is used to support academic programs.
PERSPECTIVE

Average of 11 near-peers/year

Nearest peer School tuition and mandatory fee cost/year (Univ. of Montana)

UW with Proposed fees/year (estimated)

UW Current tuition and mandatory fee cost/year

$8,753

$6,469

$5,793

$5,055
PERSPECTIVE

$46,100
- UW average salary after graduation (average of peers is $41,055 - 11% lower than UW)

36%
- Share of UW students graduating with Federal debt (average of peers is 50.4%)

$192/month
- Average debt payment of UW students per month
- Proposed fees would increase this on average by $28 to $220/month.
PERSPECTIVE

$1460/month

• University wage premium: the additional monthly salary earned for having a university degree versus none.

2-3 months

• Time it takes to pay the additional cost of program fees at UW out of the wage premium having a UW degree will create over an average student’s lifetime.

Even after the implementation of the proposed fees... UW will still be the most affordable and best value doctoral institution in the United States.
## Wage Premiums by Field

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<td><strong>Average</strong></td>
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Source: Kim, Tamborini and Sakamoto (2015)
Program Fee Implementation Committee created

• CHARGE:
  • Create an inclusive group (Students, Faculty and Admin representation) to consider feedback on original proposal
  • To define systems and processes necessary to implement and monitor this Program
    • Specific advising strategies and actions
    • Design an open, transparent and accountable processes to implement and evaluate use of fees by affected units
      • Business plan format
      • Initial Review process
      • Annual review process
      • Associated policies needed (reserve policies, reporting, implementation, etc.).
QUESTIONS?

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