

Tuition and Fees Planning 2013-2014 Biennium

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UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

Two Year Framework

- Aligns Tuition and Fee setting process with biennial budget planning
- For the 2011-2012 biennium – established T/Fees in November 2010 (tuition) and January 2011 (fees)
- Alignment facilitates resource planning and decision making re: budget allocations in support of academic program enhancements
- Allows students and families to plan for known education pricing (i.e., eliminates uncertainty about what is needed)
- Use same two year structure for 2013-2014 biennium



Tuition and Academic Program Quality

Quality of Education at Undergraduate and Graduate levels determined by quality of:

- Faculty
- Students
- Resources to support education and research
 - Faculty (#s)
 - Facilities
 - Libraries
 - Operational support for programs
 - Information Technology



Considerations

- Cost of Education –vs– Price (Tuition)
 - Cost of Providing Education
 - Tuition as % of Cost
 - Residents
 - Non-residents
- Access
 - WY College-going rate
 - UW enrollment of graduating HS seniors
 - Hathaway Program



Categories of Tuition Rates

- Resident Undergraduate
- Resident Graduate
- Non-Resident (Undergrad and Grad)
 - Market analysis with surrounding states (UW is very competitive)
 - Can be used to increase quality of student body
 - Generates more revenue per student
- Professional Programs with Differential Tuition



Mandatory Fees

- Mandatory fees are paid by all Laramie campus full-time and part-time students.
 - Six mandatory fees support Student Union, Student Services*, Student Health Service, Intercollegiate Athletics, Campus Recreation Programs, and Transit.
- * Student Services fee supports ASUW, Student Media, Recycling, Wellness, AWARE, Music/Theatre, and Student Leadership and Civic Engagement.



Non-Mandatory Fees

- Housing and Dining Services
 - Room
 - Board
 - Rent
- Other examples of Non-mandatory fees include charges for facility usage, scanning and cataloging printed material, golf course and day-care fees, and parking and transit fees among others. The majority of these fees are charged to non-students.
- All Other Non-mandatory fees are listed in the University of Wyoming Fee Book publication.



Timing of Decision

- Bring specific tuition and fee increase proposals to the Board at the March 2012 meeting
- Allows President and Board to consider 2012 legislative actions prior to taking action in Spring 2012
- Need to act no later than March 2012 so students/families know costs and financial aid as they weigh enrollment decision for Fall 2012



Schedule of Tuition and Fees Discussions

- September 2011 BOT meeting
- Fall 2011 – Campus groups (e.g., ASUW)
- January 2012 BOT meeting – Update
- March 2012 BOT meeting
 - Recommended tuition and fees program

