

Docket Item:

Overview of University Tuition Setting

Summary:

The following summarizes the status of the 2021-22 tuition setting process at each of the public universities. We do not expect any institution to exceed the 5% threshold that would require HECC approval for increases to resident, undergraduate tuition and mandatory enrollment fees.

The appendices include additional information on the requirements for the tuition setting process, historical changes in resident, undergraduate tuition rates, an explanation of tuition and mandatory enrollment fees, and information about remission programs.

Docket Material:

The table below includes the proposed annual tuition increase at each institution including those mandatory fees the HECC includes in its calculations which exclude incidental and related fees.

Institution	2020-21 Tuition and Fees	2021-22 Proposed Tuition and Fees	Increase %	Status
EOU	\$8,174	TBD	TBD	Tuition Approved (0% increase) Awaiting fee proposal (5/20 Board Meeting)
OIT-KF	\$9,863	TBD	TBD	Awaiting Full Proposal (4/8 Board Meeting)

OIT-WV	\$9,476	TBD	TBD	Awaiting Full Proposal (4/8 Board Meeting)
OSU-Corvallis	\$10,568 (Current students) \$10,883 (New students)	\$10,822 (Enrolled prior to 19-20) \$11,137 (Students enrolled in 20-21) \$11,317 (New students)	2.41% (Enrolled prior to 19-20) 2.34% (Students enrolled in 20-21) 3.99% (New students)	Proposed (4/2 Board Meeting)
OSU-Cascades	\$9,837 (Continuing Students) \$10,287 (New Students)	\$10,062 (Enrolled prior to 19-20) \$10,512 (Students enrolled in 20-21) \$10,692 (New students)	2.29% (Enrolled prior to 19-20) 2.19% (Students enrolled in 20-21) 3.94% (New students)	Proposed (4/2 Board Meeting)
PSU	\$9,224	9,462	2.58%	Proposed (4/20 Board Meeting)
SOU	\$9,450	TBD	TBD	Awaiting Proposal (5/22/2020 Board Meeting)
UO	\$12,301 (Current Students) \$13,041 (New Students)	\$12,670 (current students) \$13,041 (2021 Guaranteed Tuition Students) \$13,616 (New Students)	2.66% (Weighted increase)	Approved
WOU	\$9,009	\$9,024	0.17%	Proposed (4/21 Board Meeting)

Staff Recommendation:

No recommendation, discussion only.

Appendix A – Requirements for the Tuition Setting Process

As required in statute (ORS 352.103), the public universities must accomplish the following as part of the annual tuition setting process:

1. Creation of a tuition advisory body, which must create a written document describing its role and consist of at least the following members:
 - Two Administrators
 - Two Faculty
 - Two Students representing student government
 - Two Students representing historically underserved students
2. The university must provide training on the following:
 - The budget of the university
 - The legislative appropriation process
 - Data showing the relationship between tuition and fees to state appropriations
 - The university must provide the council with:
 - A plan for managing costs
 - A plan for how tuition and fees could be decreased if the university receives extra appropriations
3. The advisory body must also provide the following opportunities:
 - Provide meaningful opportunities for members of the recognized student government and other students to actively participate in the process and deliberations
 - Provide a written report to the president with recommendations, deliberations and observations about tuition and fees for the upcoming academic year including any sub-reports requested by members of the advisory body or other documentation produced or received by the advisory body
4. The university must ensure that the process is described on the University's website and include downloadable materials such as:
 - The advisory body's role and relationship to the Board
 - Any documentation, agendas, and data considered during deliberations
5. If the council feels a recommendation greater than 5% annually is necessary, the council must document its consideration of:
 - The impact of that increase on students, especially historically underserved students
 - The impact of that increase on the mission of the university
 - Alternative scenarios involving smaller increases

Appendix B – Historical Changes in Resident, Undergraduate Tuition Rates

Includes tuition, mandatory and incidental fees

Annual Changes in Resident, Undergraduate Tuition Rates

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
EOU	2.70%	3.20%	-0.30%	4.10%	3.00%	4.50%	3.80%	4.86%	4.42%
OIT*	5.30%	2.10%	-0.20%	4.50%	3.00%	4.80%	4.70%	7.33%	3.20%
OSU**	6.40%	1.70%	10.20%	10.80%	2.60%	4.20%	3.80%	4.44%	3.91%
PSU	-1.40%	2.20%	-0.30%	3.10%	3.80%	5.30%	3.70%	5.19%	5.58%
SOU	4.20%	2.80%	-0.20%	5.50%	4.60%	9.00%	3.50%	8.99%	4.18%
UO***	5.90%	4.20%	2.20%	3.70%	4.60%	7.50%	2.80%	6.91%	3.11%
WOU	0%	2.80%	0.80%	1.90%	3.20%	5.70%	3.80%	2.33%	4.36%

*=Klamath Falls Campus. **=Corvallis New Student Rate ***=Continuing Student Rate.

Average Annual Increase in Resident, Undergraduate Tuition Rates - Not Adjusted for Inflation

	EOU	OIT	OSU	PSU	SOU	UO	WOU	All
2012-2013	7,238	8,308	8,138	7,653	7,521	9,310	7,989	8,022
2020-21	9,503	11,062	12,167	10,112	10,917	13,116	10,194	11,010
Total Increase	31.3%	33.1%	49.5%	32.1%	45.2%	40.9%	27.6%	37.2%
Avg Annual Increase	4.0%	4.2%	5.9%	4.1%	5.5%	5.0%	3.5%	4.6%

Average Annual Increase in Resident, Undergraduate Tuition Rates - Adjusted for Inflation*

	EOU	OIT	OSU	PSU	SOU	UO	WOU	All
2012-2013	8,489	9,744	9,545	8,976	8,821	10,920	9,370	9,409
2020-21	9,503	11,062	12,167	10,112	10,917	13,116	10,194	11,010
Total Increase	11.9%	13.5%	27.5%	12.7%	23.8%	20.1%	8.8%	17.0%
Avg Annual Increase	1.6%	1.8%	3.5%	1.7%	3.1%	2.7%	1.2%	2.3%

*Using the higher education cost adjustment (HECA) to adjust for inflation.

Appendix C – Explanation of Tuition and Mandatory Enrollment Fees

Undergraduate, resident tuition and mandatory enrollment fees during the 2020-21 academic year for one term for a student enrolled full-time

The amounts noted do not include differential tuition or other types of tuition that may depend on the student's academic program. More detailed information can be found at each institution's website. Information relevant to the main campus is included for those institutions with multiple campuses.

Tuition and fees are based on residency, student classification (undergraduate, graduate, etc.) and the number of credits enrolled. Course-specific fees may also apply. The amounts noted are for the current academic year, 2020-21.

Eastern Oregon University

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://www.eou.edu/staccts/tuition-and-fees/>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables: <https://www.eou.edu/staccts/files/2020/06/AY-and-Summer-Tuition-Fee-Schedules-UG-On-Campus-Res-2021.pdf>

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$2,610.00
Building Fee	\$45.00
Incidental Fee	\$295.00
Health Service Fee	\$189.50
Hoke Special Renovation Fee	<u>\$28.00</u>
Total Fees	\$557.50
Total Tuition & Fees	\$3,167.50

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – A building fee is assessed each term to all students registered for “On-Campus” courses. This fee is established by legislative statute and is intended to fund construction projects associated with student involvement.

Incidental Fee – This fee supports institutional student programs that are beyond the academic mission of the institution. Funds generated by incidental fees are used to fund student union operations,

educational, cultural, and student governmental activities, and athletics. Incidental Fees are governed by a committee, comprised of student body officers, students, faculty, staff, and advisors.

Health Service Fee – The Health Service Fee is a mandatory fee that provides student access to the Student Health and Counseling Centers.

Hoke Special Renovation Fee – As approved by ASEOU, students will pay \$28.00 per term to help defray the costs incurred for the renovation of the Hoke Student Union.

Oregon Tech

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://www.oit.edu/college-costs/tuition-fees>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables: <https://www.oit.edu/sites/default/files/document/2020-2021-tuition-and-fees-by-program.pdf>

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$3,070.80
Building Fee	\$45.00
Incidental Fee	\$399.50
Health Service Fee	\$172.00
Recreation Center Fee	<u>\$69.00</u>
Total Fees	\$685.50
Total Tuition & Fees	\$3,756.30

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with student centers, health centers, and recreational facilities.

Incidental Fee – covers the cost of student government and student groups who submit requests each year. Students enrolled in off-campus programs (OIMB and Portland only) are assessed 50% of the fee.

Health Service Fee – used to ensure a healthy and safe campus supporting immunization, health education, wellness activities, counseling services and to plan for and respond to emergencies.

Recreation Center Fee – used to retire the debt incurred to build and renovate the Student Recreation Center.

Oregon State University

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://financialaid.oregonstate.edu/cost-attendance>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables:

https://fa.oregonstate.edu/sites/fa.oregonstate.edu/files/tuition_table-corvallis_ug_cs.pdf;

<https://fa.oregonstate.edu/sites/fa.oregonstate.edu/files/fees-both.pdf>

Academic Year 2021-22 Fee Book: <https://fees.oregonstate.edu/Public/DownloadIE.aspx>;

<https://fees.oregonstate.edu/Public/DownloadIE.aspx>

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$3,280
Building Fee	\$45.00
Incidental Fee	\$428.08
Health Service Fee	<u>\$197.53</u>
Total Fees	\$582.61
Total Tuition & Fees	\$3,950.61

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with student centers, health centers, and recreational facilities.

Incidental Fee – covers the cost of student government and student groups who submit requests each year. Rates are established by the Student & Incidental Fees Committee.

Health Service Fee – entitles the student to access the health care and counseling services offered.

Portland State University

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://www.pdx.edu/student-finance/tuition>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables: https://www.pdx.edu/student-finance/sites/g/files/znldhr796/files/2020-08/Tuition-Fees_2020-2021_1.pdf

Academic Year 2021-22 Fee Book: https://www.pdx.edu/student-finance/sites/g/files/znlchr796/files/2020-09/2020-2021_Fines-Fees-Report.pdf

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$2,823.75
Building Fee	\$39.00
Incidental Fee	\$296.00
Health Service Fee	\$168.00
Academic Student Recreation Center Fee	\$44.00
Total Fees	\$547.00
Total Tuition & Fees	\$3,370.75

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – This fee is allocated to pay debt service associated with past construction and renovation projects on the PSU campus. Any additional funds collected are put into a reserve or used for small construction projects. The amount varies depending on the number of credits a student is enrolled in. The Student Fee Committee is responsible for recommending the amount and allocation of the incidental fee to ASPSU and the President.

Incidental Fee – This fee funds services such as Student Activities & Leadership Programs, resource centers, childcare services, and athletic activities. The amount varies depending on the number of credits a student is enrolled in. The Student Fee Committee is responsible for recommending the amount and allocation of the incidental fee to ASPSU and the President.

Health Service Fee – The Student Health Center Fee is a mandatory fee assessed to all students taking 5 or more in-load, non-Restricted Differential Tuition credit hours. The fee is in place to support all of the services offered by the Center for Student Health and Counseling (SHAC) both remote and in-person.

Academic Student Recreation Center Fee – A fee assessed each term to fund the construction, maintenance, and operation costs, and to purchase and maintain equipment, for the Academic and Student Recreation Center Building.

Southern Oregon University

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://sou.edu/admissions/afford/>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables: <https://inside.sou.edu/enrollment/tuitionandfees.html>

Academic Year 2021-22 Fee Book: https://inside.sou.edu/assets/enrollment/2020-21_SOU_Feebook_.pdf

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$2940.00
Building Fee	\$60.00
Incidental Fee	\$385.00
Health Service Fee	\$150.00
Recreation Center Fee	<u>\$104.00</u>
Total Fees	\$699.00

Total Tuition & Fees \$3,639.00

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – used to finance debt service for construction associated with student centers, health centers, and other facilities constructed through the issuance of Article XI-F(1) bonds. A portion of the fee is designated to mitigate risks related to information technology infrastructure replacement in these buildings.

Incidental Fee – Funds generated by incidental fees are used to fund student union operations, educational, cultural, student government activities, and athletics.

Health Service Fee – used to support the institution’s student health services, which are operated as an auxiliary enterprise on a self-sustaining basis.

Recreation Center Fee – This fee covers the debt service for the building (principal and interests) and some overhead expenses (utilities, reserves, etc)

University of Oregon

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://brp.uoregon.edu/content/Tuition-and-Fees>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables:

[https://pages.uoregon.edu/baoforms/bao_drupal_6/sites/brp.uoregon.edu/files/brp/fees/2021-22 Tuition and Fee Tables \(09MAR2021\).pdf](https://pages.uoregon.edu/baoforms/bao_drupal_6/sites/brp.uoregon.edu/files/brp/fees/2021-22_Tuition_and_Fee_Tables_(09MAR2021).pdf)

Academic Year 2021-22 Fee Book:

[https://pages.uoregon.edu/baoforms/bao_drupal_6/sites/brp.uoregon.edu/files/brp/fees/2021-22 UO Fee Book 02282021.pdf](https://pages.uoregon.edu/baoforms/bao_drupal_6/sites/brp.uoregon.edu/files/brp/fees/2021-22_UO_Fee_Book_02282021.pdf)

Under the Guaranteed Tuition program, admitted undergraduate, resident students first enrolled after summer 2020 full time (15 credit hours) will pay the following tuition and mandatory fees during academic year 2020-2021 per term as referenced at <https://registrar.uoregon.edu/tuition-fees/undergraduate/guaranteed>:

Tuition	\$3,819.30
Building Fee	\$45.00
Incidental Fee	\$271.75
Health Service Fee	\$233.25
Recreation Center Fee	\$120.88
EMU Facility Fee	\$78.54
Technology Fee	<u>\$50.00</u>
Total Fees	\$799.42
Total Tuition & Fees	\$4,618.72

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with student centers, health centers, and recreational facilities.

Incidental Fee – covers the cost of student government and student groups who submit requests each year. Students enrolled in off-campus programs (OIMB and Portland only) are assessed 50% of the fee.

Health Service Fee – used to ensure a healthy and safe campus supporting immunization, health education, wellness activities, counseling services and to plan for and respond to emergencies.

Recreation Center Fee – used to retire the debt incurred to build and renovate the Student Recreation Center.

EMU Facility Fee – used to fund the construction, debt service, maintenance, and operation costs of the student union.

Technology Fee – helps defray the rapidly rising cost of technology services provided to students including wireless internet access, classroom technology, and widely distributed computer availability.

Western Oregon University

Overview of tuition and fees: <https://wou.edu/admission/tuition-and-aid/>

Complete list of tuition and fee tables: <https://wou.edu/business/files/2020/05/2020-21-WOU-Tuition-and-Fee-Book.pdf>

Academic Year 2021-22 Fee Book: <https://wou.edu/business/files/2020/05/2020-21-WOU-Tuition-and-Fee-Book.pdf>

Special Course Fees and General Services Book (2020-21):
<https://wou.edu/business/files/2020/09/Special-Course-Fee-and-General-Services-Book-20-21.pdf>

Average tuition and mandatory fee charges for a resident, undergraduate student enrolled full time for one term during the 2020-21 academic year:

Tuition	\$2,760
Building Fee	\$45.00
Incidental Fee	\$395.00
Health Service Fee	\$145.00
Student Health Bldg Fee	\$11.00
Student Rec Center Bldg Fee	<u>\$42.00</u>
Total Fees	\$638.00

Total Tuition & Fees \$3,398.00

Explanation of fixed, mandatory enrollment fees:

Building Fee – used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with student centers, health centers, and recreational facilities.

Incidental Fee – covers the cost of student government and student groups who submit requests each year.

Health Service Fee – used to ensure a healthy and safe campus supporting immunization, health education, wellness activities, counseling services and to plan for and respond to emergencies.

Student Health Building Fee- Used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with the health center.

Student Recreation Center Building Fee – used to fund the construction and debt service for capital projects primarily associated with the student rec building.

Appendix D – Information about Remission Programs

The student financial aid offerings at Oregon’s seven public universities include a variety of remission programs that mirror others offered across the country. These are often referred to as “fee waivers” or “tuition discounts” and are often tied to institution specific initiatives. This means students don’t often pay the entire tuition and fee amount (gross amount) charged to them. Instead they pay a net amount which is the entire amount discounted by applied remissions.

Programmatic student aid allows the University to target specific enrollment goals such as recruitment of students with financial need or meritorious students, international students, athletes, and other student populations, dependent on the university’s mission.

Below is more information on remission programs required by the state and offered at all seven public universities. Although not exhaustive, there are also examples of certain institutional remission programs currently offered.

State Mandated Programs:

Voyager Tuition Assistance Program

VOYAGER fee remissions are for Oregon residents who are members of the National Guard or Reserves and were deployed in an area of military combat since September 11, 2001. This fee remission is for full-time students pursuing their initial bachelor’s degree.

Resident Tuition for Veterans

This program is available for those that are veterans of the armed forces pursuing undergraduate studies at a public institution in Oregon. They will pay tuition rates and fees no greater than the Oregon resident rate – even if they are not yet considered a permanent resident of the state.

These savings also apply to veterans’ dependents using transferred benefits, as well as orphans of veterans who died on active duty.

ORS 350.290 from the original House Bill 2158 and as amended by HB 4021, 2670, and 4019.

Foster Youth Tuition and Fee Waiver

The Foster Youth Tuition and Fee Waiver is open to qualified current and former foster children enrolled as undergraduate students for the purposes of pursuing an initial undergraduate degree. This program waives tuition and fees for current and former foster youth who enroll prior to reaching 25 years of age until the student receives “the equivalent of four years of undergraduate education.”

The Foster Youth Tuition and Fee Waiver originated with the passage of HB 3471 in 2011.

Tuition Equity (HB 2787)

Oregon's Tuition Equity law provides undocumented students (largely those in the DACA program, aka "Dreamers") the ability to pay resident tuition rates when they meet certain criteria.

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

The Western Undergraduate Exchange program is a voluntary remissions program sponsored by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE), in which all seven of Oregon's public universities participate. It allows students from any WICHE participating state who attend an Oregon public university to pay no more than 150% of the resident tuition rate.

A Non-Exhaustive List of Institution Specific Remissions Programs:

PathwayOregon – at University of Oregon ensures that academically qualified (3.40 high school GPA), Pell-eligible students will have their tuition and fees covered through a combination of federal, state, and university funds.

Four Years Free – at Portland State University is an institutional aid program for eligible Oregon resident students. It covers tuition and mandatory fees after financial aid is applied. In order to be eligible students must be Oregon residents, have graduated high school, be Pell grant eligible, a first time PSU student, enrolled full time, and start in fall term. If a student meets these requirements they are automatically considered for Four Years Free, there is no separate application. PSU also offers a similar program for transfer students, called Transfers Finish Free.

The Pell Plus Program – at Western Oregon University covers standard tuition and mandatory fees for eligible students. To be eligible students must be first-year Oregon residents, have a cumulative 3.4 high school GPA, and be Pell eligible.