

Item: BF: A-6

### **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO AMEND REGULATION 8.001 - TUITION, FEE SCHEDULE AND PERCENTAGE OF COST

#### PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Recommend approval of amendments to FAU Regulation 8.001, Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The University is authorized by law to establish a schedule of student tuition and fees, including an Athletic Fee. Beginning with the 2019-20 academic year, the University is proposing to increase the Athletic Fee from \$17.27 to \$19.27 per credit hour for undergraduate and graduate resident and non-resident students. The fee increase was unanimously recommended by the Athletic Fee Committee, in accordance with the requirements of Florida Statutes Section 1009.24 and Florida Board of Governors Regulation 7.003. The Athletic Fee Committee is comprised of faculty, staff, and students, with students constituting the majority of the Committee.

The funds generated will be used to increase and enhance opportunities for student participation at University athletic events, and to partially defray costs incurred during the University's move to Conference-USA. The enhanced student opportunities to be paid for from the increase will include the following:

- For each regular season home football game, the allotment of free tickets reserved for students will be doubled from 5,000 end-zone seats to 10,000 seats with substantially improved locations.
- A registered student group selected by Student Government will be provided special in-game recognition at each regular season home football game and select regular season home games of other sports.

- Student Government may present a video advertisement or promotional announcement at all FAU home sporting events.
- Student Government will be provided a stadium suite at each home football game.

Additionally, funds derived from the increase will help defray increased Athletics Department costs incurred when FAU moved from the Sun Belt Conference to Conference-USA. Those costs included the following:

- C-USA initiation fees
- C-USA annual membership fees
- C-USA required video streaming
- Increased travel expenses to the geographically dispersed C-USA member schools

The university is not proposing any other increase to any fee or to the undergraduate, graduate, or College of Medicine tuition rates.

#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

If approved by the Board, the regulation will be submitted to the Board of Governors for final approval and implementation beginning in the Fall 2019 semester.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

At current enrollment levels the revised fee is projected to yield an average of approximately \$475,000 per semester. This revenue will be incorporated into the Athletics Department's annual budget to support the purposes described above.

**Supporting Documentation:** Text of proposed amended Regulation 8.001

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# Florida Atlantic University

## **Regulation 8.001**

## Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost

- (1) Tuition costs shall be defined as tuition and fees assessed to students for enrollment in credit courses at Florida Atlantic University. Tuition costs consist of the following tuition and fees, depending on whether a student is a resident or a non-resident:
  - (a) Resident or in-state tuition costs, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the tuition and fees charged an enrolled student who qualifies as a Florida resident:
    - 1. Matriculation Fee ("Tuition");
    - 2. Student Financial Aid Fee;
    - 3. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
    - 4. Health Fee;
    - 5. Athletic Fee:
    - 6. Activity and Service Fee;
    - 7. Technology Fee; and,
    - 8. Tuition Differential
  - (b) Non-Resident or out-of-state tuition costs, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the tuition and fees charged an enrolled student who does not qualify as a Florida resident:
    - 1. Matriculation Fee ("Tuition");
    - 2. Non-Resident Fee;
    - 3. Student Financial Aid Fee;
    - 4. Non-Resident Student Financial Aid Fee;
    - 5. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
    - 6. Health Fee;
    - 7. Athletic Fee:
    - 8. Activity and Service Fee;
    - 9. Technology Fee; and,
    - 10. Tuition Differential
  - (2) Registration shall be defined as consisting of three components:
    - (a) Formal selection of one or more credit courses approved and scheduled by the University; and,
    - (b) Tuition costs payment, partial or otherwise, or other appropriate arrangements for tuition costs payment (installment payment plans, deferment, or third party billing) for the courses in which the student is enrolled as of the end of the drop/add period; and,
    - (c) Provision of background information where appropriate.
- (3) Tuition liability or fee liability shall be defined as the liability for the payment of tuition and fees incurred at the point at which the student has completed registration, as defined above.

- (4) The following tuition and fees shall be levied and collected effective the Fall 20169 semester for each student regularly enrolled.
  - (a) Students enrolled in programs at Florida Atlantic University will be assessed the following tuition and fees per credit hour \*:

	Undergraduate					<u>Graduate</u>			
		Non-					Non-		
	R	Resident		Resident		Resident		Resident	
Matriculation Fee ("Tuition")	\$	105.07	\$	105.07	\$	303.71	\$	303.71	
Non-Resident Fee	\$	-	\$	493.86	\$	-	\$	623.80	
Tuition Differential	\$	40.13	\$	40.13	\$	-	\$	-	
Student Financial Aid Fee	\$	5.16	\$	29.85	\$	15.18	\$	46.37	
Capital Improvement Fee	\$	6.76	\$	6.76	\$	6.76	\$	6.76	
Activity & Service Fee	\$	12.32	\$	12.32	\$	12.32	\$	12.32	
Health Fee	\$	9.42	\$	9.42	\$	9.42	\$	9.42	
	\$		\$		\$		\$	1 <mark>79</mark> .27	
Athletic Fee	1 <del>7</del> 9	1 <del>7</del> 9.27		1 <mark>79</mark> .27		1 <mark>79</mark> .27			
Technology Fee	\$	5.16	\$	5.16	\$	5.16	\$	5.16	
Total Per Credit Hour	\$	201.29	\$	719.84	\$	369.82	\$	1,024.81	

<sup>\*</sup> This schedule does not include all fees that students will be charged.

(b) Students enrolled in medical programs at Florida Atlantic University will be assessed the following annual tuition and fees \*:

# College of Medicine

	Re	esident	Non- Resident		
Matriculation Fee (Tuition)	\$ 28,111.00		\$28,111.00		
Non-Resident Fee			\$34,421.00		
Student Financial Aid Fee	\$	1,405.55			
Non-Resident Student					
Financial Aid Fee			\$ 3,126.60		
Capital Improvement Fee	\$	270.40	\$ 270.40		
Technology Fee	\$	206.40	\$ 206.40		
Activity & Service Fee	\$	492.80	\$ 492.80		
Health Fee	\$	376.80	\$ 376.80		
Athletic Fee	\$	690.80	\$ 690.80		
Transportation Access Fee	\$	185.84	\$ 185.84		

\*This schedule does not include all fees that students will be charged. MD Degree annual charges may be prorated based on specific time in the program. "Per semester" fee equals one-half of annualized tuition.

- (c) Each student enrolled in the same undergraduate course more than twice, shall be assessed an additional per credit hour charge as detailed in the Allocation Summary and Workpapers document that is distributed annually by the Board of Governors, State University System of Florida. In accordance with Section 1009.285, Florida Statutes, a student may be granted an exception to the Repeat Course Surcharge upon approval by the Office of the University Provost based upon a review of the individual circumstances presented by the student to document exceptional circumstance. Review will be initiated by student petition, which must provide all appropriate documentation to support the claim of exceptional circumstance. Petition forms are available for this purpose from the University Registrar.
- (5) The following process shall be used to determine the percentage of cost paid by students for setting the matriculation and non-resident fees.
  - (a) The most recent expenditure analysis, developed in compliance with Florida Statutes, will be used as the base for the full expenditure by level of instruction. Fundable credit hours estimated by the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees, for the year prior to the effective date of the fees, will be used for the enrollment base for each level. Expenditures for each level of instruction will be adjusted by using the percentage change in the total expenditures reported in the expenditure analysis as compared to the estimated total expenditures for the year prior to the effective date of the fees.
  - (b) The adjusted expenditures for each level of instruction will be divided by the credit hours to obtain the full expenditure per credit hour. The percentage of cost paid by students will be determined by finding the percentage the Matriculation Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for resident students; and by finding the percentage the sum of the Matriculation Fee and the Non-Resident Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for non-resident students.

Specific Authority: Florida Board of Governors Resolution dated January 7, 2003; Florida General Appropriations Act, 2007-2008, S.B. 2800 (2007). History: New- 9-30-2002, Amended- 7-15-2004, 9-14-2005, 6-28-2006, 6-30-2007, 6-25-2008, 11-18-2009, 6-23-2010, 1-26-2011, 6-15-2011, 6-19-2012, 8-13-13, 6-20-14, 5-19-15, 5-17-16, 6-4-19.