

Tuition and Fees Forum

Sponsored by the UTRGV Academic Cost Committee

Agenda

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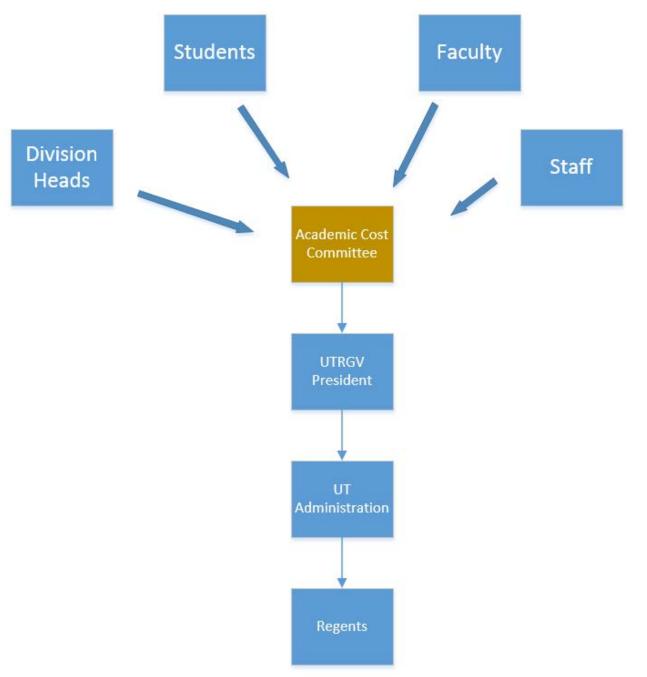
Academic Cost Committee

<u>Purpose</u>

- Review academic charges for undergraduate and graduate students
- Provide input to inform the president's tuition and fee recommendations to UT System and the Regents

Membership (18 total)

- 6 students including SGA President (co-chair)
- 1 Faculty Senate, 1 Staff Senate
- 1 Parent
- 9 staff (8 non-voting)



UT System Guidelines

- Process must be consultative and transparent
- Charges must be affordable and predictable
- Proposal for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, Due December 7th
- Focus on Total Academic Cost (TAC): the average resident tuition and fees required for 15 undergraduate hours or 9 graduate hours
- 2% allowed for inflation driven costs (general operating budget)
- Additional increase allowed for student success and institutional priority items

Current Guaranteed Rates (Undergraduates)

College Start	Earned Hours	Guarantee Years	Resident TAC
	90+ hours	1	\$3,305
Prior to Fall 2014	60-89 hours	2	3,425
	30-59 hours	3	3,545
	0-29 hours	4	3,605
Academic Year 2014-2015		4	3,605
Academic Year 2015-2016		4	3,665

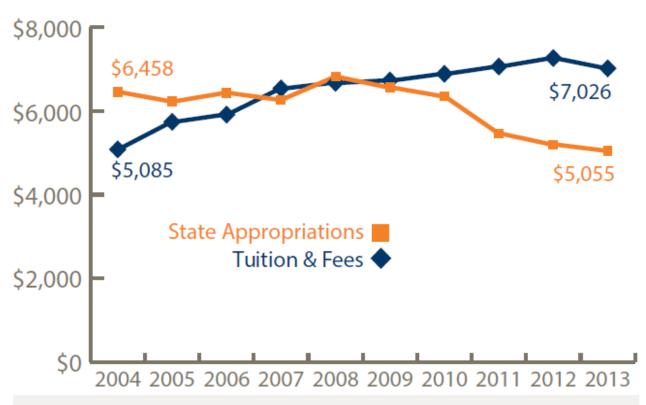
Current Rates (Graduate and Medical)

Level	Guarantee Years	Resident TAC	
Masters	2	\$3,260	
Doctoral	4	3,260	
MD (annual)	not guaranteed	18,298	

TAC Breakdown

Charge	Resident Undergraduate (15 Hours – EF)	Resident Graduate (9 Hours)
Tuition	\$2,912.00	\$2,664.50
University Services Fee	349.20	261.90
Student Services Fee	249.96	187.47
Recreation Fee	75.00	75.00
Medical Services Fee	30.00	30.00
Student Union Fee	30.00	30.00
Average Lab and Supplemental Fees	18.75	11.25
Total	\$3,664.91	\$3,260.12

FTE Student Revenue Trend UT Academic Institutions



Adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) and FY 13 as the base year. Tuition & Fee Revenue does not include scholarship and fellowship discounts and waivers. Totals do not include UT Brownsville.

Total Academic Cost Rankings (15 hours, Fall 2015) Entering Freshmen Guaranteed Plans

1	UT – Dallas	5,903	19	Midwestern State University	4,002
2	University of North Texas	5,541	20	Texas A&M International University	3,994
3	Texas State University	5,334	21	Tarleton State University*	3,974
4	University of Houston	5,332	22	UT – El Paso*	3,920
5	Texas Tech University	5,163	23	UT -Tyler	3,900
6	Stephen F. Austin State University	5,084	24	Texas A&M University – Kingsville	3,850
7	UT – Austin*	5,047	25	University of North Texas – Dallas	3,825
8	UT – Arlington	5,012	26	Sul Ross State University	3,815
9	Texas A&M University at Galveston	4,994	27	University of Houston – Clear Lake	3,789
10	Lamar University	4,981	28	West Texas A&M University	3,757
11	Sam Houston State University	4,965	29	Texas A&M University – San Antonio	3,727
12	UT – San Antonio	4,931	30	Texas A&M University – Commerce	3,716
13	Prairie View A&M University	4,823	31	UT Rio Grande Valley	3,665
14	Texas A&M University*	4,714	32	University of Houston – Victoria	3,632
15	Texas Southern University	4,603	33	University of Houston – Downtown	3,567
16	Texas Woman's University*	4,420	34	Texas A&M University – Texarkana	3,518
17	Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi*	4,310	35	UT – Permian Basin	3,493
18	Angelo State University	4,033	36	Texas A&M University – Central Texas	2,939

Source: Institutional Websites

^{*}Multiple rates are in effect; the lowest rate is shown.

Student Survey Results

Level of agreement (from 1 to 5) for funding of the following improvements: (Strongly disagree = 1; Strongly agree = 5)

Improvements	Mean
Expand course and program offerings.	4.30
Provide more student employment opportunities on campus.	4.25
Expand the number of sections of current courses.	4.17
Increase the number of highly qualified teaching faculty.	4.03
Extend library hours or library holdings (either on-line access or in person).	3.98
Improve technology in classrooms.	3.89
Expand extracurricular opportunities for student involvement.	3.87
Increase opportunities for undergraduate research projects.	3.86
Expand on-line program offerings.	3.79
Increase the number of highly qualified researchers.	3.68
Increase the number of advisors.	3.68
Increase student success programs such as additional tutoring services.	3.63

Number of respondents: 3,808 students (3,221 undergraduate; 587 graduate)

Academic Cost Committee Considerations

- 1. Increase Total Academic Cost by 2% to address inflation
- 2. Possible additional increase to address priorities:
 - a) Expansion of course sections and program offerings
 - b) Classroom and online instructional enhancements
 - c) Improved facilities (library holdings, classrooms, upkeep)
 - d) Student aid

Impact on Total Academic Cost (TAC)

Entering Resident Undergraduate (15 hours*)	Current Fall 2015	2% Increase Fall 2016	2% Increase Fall 2017
Statutory Tuition	\$ 750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Designated Tuition	2,162.00	2,235.20	2,309.60
Mandatory Fees	734.16	734.16	734.16
Average College/Course Fees	18.75	18.75	18.75
Total	\$3,664.91	\$3,738.11	\$3,812.51
Increase (\$) – 15 hour load		\$73.20	\$74.40
Increase (%) – 15 hour load		2.0%	2.0%

^{*}Tuition and mandatory fees are capped at 12 hours.

Impact on Total Academic Cost (TAC)

Entering Resident Graduate	<u>Current</u>	2% Increase	2% Increase
(9 hours)	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
Statutory Tuition	\$ 450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Board-Authorized Tuition	450.00	450.00	450.00
Designated Tuition	1,764.50	1,829.30	1,895.00
Mandatory Fees	584.37	584.37	584.37
Average College/Course Fees	11.25	11.25	11.25
Total	\$3,260.12	\$3,324.92	\$3,390.62
Increase (\$) – 9 hour load		\$64.80	\$65.70
Increase (%) – 9 hour load		2.0%	2.0%

UTRGV Financial Aid Awards

Academic year 2015-2016 actual awards to date (Fall and Spring)

Grants	\$123,433,438
Scholarships	13,264,353
Work-study	4,665,997
Waivers and Exemptions*	11,205,550
Loans	70,571,361
Total	\$223,140,699

^{*}Waivers apply to non-residents who qualify for in-state rates. Exemptions apply to students who do not pay tuition and certain fees (for example, the Hazlewood exemptions available to military veterans and their families).

Thank you! Any Questions?

You may send comments to ACC@utrgv.edu