



Proposed Tuition and Fees 2015-16 through 2018-19

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Today's Presentation

- NSHE Tuition and Fees Policy and Process
- Proposed Registration Fees
- Proposed Non-Resident Tuition
- Proposed Policy Revisions
- Next Steps



NSHE Tuition and Fees Policy & Process



2013 Membership

Tuition and Fee Committee

□ Presidents

- Dr. Mark Curtis, GBC
- Dr. Marc Johnson, UNR
- Mr. Bart Patterson, NSC

□ Business Officers

- Mr. Gerry Bomotti, UNLV
- Dr. Rachel Solemsaas, TMCC

□ Student Representatives

- Ms. RJ Boyajian, UNR
(Graduate)
- Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, NSC
(Undergraduate)
- Ms. Alejandra Leon, WNC
(Community College)

Board of Regents' Process

- ❑ Traditionally tuition and registration fees are set two years in advance by the Board of Regents, and the recommended amounts are used to determine estimated revenues for the next biennial budget. However, the current proposal is to set these rates for **four** academic years in order to support predictability in pricing.
- ❑ The Chancellor convenes a System-wide committee to review comparative data and to consider potential adjustments to tuition and fee levels for the following biennium.
- ❑ The Tuition & Fees Committee makes a final recommendation to the Board for its consideration.
- ❑ Student hearings were held in January and February to gather student input on the committee's recommendations.

Guiding Principles

- ❑ **Shared Responsibility** – Tuition and fee levels shall reflect the shared responsibility, benefits and needs of the students, the state, and the institution.
- ❑ **Access and Affordability** – Maintaining affordability by ensuring that all students can enroll at a NSHE institution by virtue of the cost of attendance and an appropriate financial aid package
- ❑ **Predictable Pricing** – Increases in tuition and fees shall be predictable and managed so that the quality of education is not compromised to the extent this is feasible. *Once approved by the Board for specific years, the registration fees and non-resident tuition rates shall not be changed for or during the specific years except in emergency situations or extreme economic circumstances (policy proposal).*

Student Access Aid

Where we stand today

- Student fee increases generate additional financial aid – according to Board policy, at least 80% of such aid to undergraduates and 50% of such aid to graduate students is need-based and the remainder is non-need-based
 - **\$29.1 million disbursed in 2012-13**
- State Operating Budget allocates dollars to financial aid under the scholarship function
 - **\$ 21.3 million budgeted in 2013-14**
- Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship
 - **\$23.1 million disbursed in 2012-13**

Student Access Aid

Where we stand today

- Board of Regents Policy (*Handbook*, Title 4, Chapter 18, Section 8)
 - In order to improve the access of all students and to encourage participation in higher education, an amount equal to at least 10 percent of the total registration fee at the community colleges (lower-division only) and at least 15 percent of the total registration fee for all other institutions including upper-division at the community colleges, net the amounts distributed to other fee categories, will be dedicated to student financial aid. These percentages are target amounts that must be achieved by academic year 2022-23.

In the long term, students alone cannot assume the burden of providing sufficient financial aid.

Student Access Aid

Where we stand today

Percent of Registration Fees Allocated to Student Financial Aid

| | FY15 | FY23 Target |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| Universities, undergraduate | 10.3% | 15% |
| Universities, graduate* | 12.1% | 15% |
| State College | 15.0% | 15% |
| Comm College, lower division | 6.6% | 10% |
| Comm College, upper division** | 14.3% | 15% |

*Average - UNLV 12.6%; UNR 11.7%

**Average -CSN 13.9%; GBC 13.9%; WNC 15.0%



Proposed Registration Fees



Registration Fees

- Registration Fee Recommendations for 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19
 - Universities undergraduate
4%, 4%, 4%, 4%
 - Universities graduate
0%, 0%, 2%, 2%
 - Nevada State College
2.5%, 3.5%, 3.5%, 3.5%
 - Community Colleges (upper and lower)
4%, 4%, 4%, 4%

Registration Fees

| | Approved | Recommended | | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |
| Registration Fees, Universities (undergraduate) | \$191.50/ per credit | \$199.25/ per credit | \$207.25/ per credit | \$215.50/ per credit | \$224.00/ per credit |
| Registration Fees, Universities (graduate) | \$264.00/ per credit | \$264.00/ per credit | \$264.00/ per credit | \$269.25/ per credit | \$274.75/ per credit |
| Registration Fees, NSC (undergraduate) | \$138.25/ per credit | \$141.75/ per credit | \$146.75/ per credit | \$151.75/ per credit | \$157.00/ per credit |
| Registration Fees, GBC, CSN, WNC (upper-division) | \$138.25/ per credit | \$143.75/ per credit | \$149.50/ per credit | \$155.50/ per credit | \$161.75/ per credit |
| Registration Fees, Community Colleges | \$84.50/ per credit | \$88.00/ per credit | \$91.50/ per credit | \$95.00/ per credit | \$98.75/ per credit |

WICHE Comparison

University Undergraduate

| State | 2013-14 | Rank |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| WYOMING | \$4,404 | 1 |
| NEW MEXICO | \$5,270 | 2 |
| MONTANA | \$5,661 | 3 |
| UTAH | \$5,929 | 4 |
| ALASKA | \$5,941 | 5 |
| IDAHO | \$6,055 | 6 |
| NEVADA¹ | \$6,587 | 7 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | \$6,642 | 8 |
| CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY | \$6,695 | 9 |
| HAWAII | \$7,592 | 10 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | \$7,828 | 11 |
| OREGON | \$8,260 | 12 |
| COLORADO | \$8,494 | 13 |
| ARIZONA | \$10,027 | 14 |
| WASHINGTON | \$10,060 | 15 |
| UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA | \$13,238 | 16 |
| Median | \$6,669 | |

¹ Nevada: \$6,587 = (\$191.50 × 30) + average institutional mandatory fees. No change in rank from 2012-13.

Source: Tables 3a and 4, Tuition & Fees In Public Higher Education in the West, 2013-14, WICHE.

WICHE Comparison University Graduate

| State | 2013-14 | Rank |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| NEW MEXICO | \$5,642 | 1 |
| WYOMING | \$6,204 | 2 |
| UTAH | \$6,913 | 3 |
| NEVADA¹ | \$7,062 | 4 |
| MONTANA | \$7,073 | 5 |
| IDAHO | \$7,095 | 6 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | \$7,824 | 7 |
| CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY | \$7,957 | 8 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | \$7,992 | 9 |
| COLORADO | \$10,092 | 10 |
| ALASKA | \$10,387 | 11 |
| ARIZONA | \$10,547 | 12 |
| HAWAII | \$11,398 | 13 |
| WASHINGTON | \$11,623 | 14 |
| UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA | \$12,852 | 15 |
| OREGON | \$13,733 | 16 |
| Median | \$7,975 | |

¹ Nevada: \$7,062 = (\$264 x 24) + average institutional mandatory fees. Ranked 5 in 2012-13.

Source: Tables 5a and 6, Tuition & Fees In Public Higher Education in the West, 2013-14, WICHE.

WICHE Comparison Community Colleges

| State | 2013-14 | Rank |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------|
| CALIFORNIA | \$1,104 | 1 |
| NEW MEXICO | \$1,572 | 2 |
| ARIZONA | \$2,355 | 3 |
| WYOMING | \$2,539 | 4 |
| NEVADA¹ | \$2,700 | 5 |
| IDAHO | \$2,876 | 6 |
| HAWAII | \$3,259 | 7 |
| UTAH | \$3,261 | 8 |
| MONTANA | \$3,384 | 9 |
| COLORADO | \$3,699 | 10 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | \$4,086 | 11 |
| WASHINGTON | \$4,274 | 12 |
| OREGON | \$4,535 | 13 |
| ALASKA | \$4,690 | 14 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | \$5,937 | 15 |
| Median | \$3,261 | |

¹ Nevada: \$2,700 = (\$84.50 x 30) + tech fee. No change in rank from 2012-13.

Source: Table 7a, Tuition & Fees In Public Higher Education in the West, 2013-14, WICHE.

National Comparison

- U.S. Department of Education's College Affordability and Transparency Center (collegecost.ed.gov)
 - Average percent changes in tuition*
 - National public 4-year: 15.6%
 - NSHE 4-year: 24.4%
 - National public 2-year: 18.2%
 - NSHE 2-year: 24.2%
 - "Watch List" for highest increases in nation*
 - Public 4-year: ranges from 37% to 140%
 - Public 2-year: ranges from 42% to 147%

*Between 2009-10 and 2011-12; NSHE rates calculated including surcharges.



Proposed Non-Resident Tuition



Non-Resident Tuition

- Non-Resident Tuition recommendations for 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19
 - Universities undergraduate
0%, 0%, 2%, 2%
 - Nevada State College
4%, 4%, 4%, 4%
 - Community Colleges
0%, 0%, 2%, 2%

Full-Time*

Non-Resident Tuition

| | Approved | Recommended | | | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |
| Full-time* Non-resident tuition, Universities | \$13,910/ per year | \$13,910/ per year | \$13,910/ per year | \$14,188/ per year | \$14,472/ per year |
| Full-time* Non-resident Tuition, NSC | \$10,275/ per year | \$10,686/ per year | \$11,113/ per year | \$11,558/ per year | \$12,020/ per year |
| Full-time* Non-resident Tuition, Community Colleges | \$6,645/ per year | \$6,645/ per year | \$6,645/ per year | \$6,778/ per year | \$6,913/ per year |

*Full-time non-resident tuition rates are assessed to students enrolled in 7 or more credits.

Part-Time*

Non-Resident Tuition

| | Approved | Recommended | | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |
| Part-time* Non-resident tuition, Universities (undergraduate) | \$210.75/ per credit | \$219.25/ per credit | \$228.00/ per credit | \$237.00/ per credit | \$246.50/ per credit |
| Part-time* Non-resident tuition, Universities (graduate) | \$290.50/ per credit | \$290.50/ per credit | \$290.50/ per credit | \$296.25/ per credit | \$302.25/ per credit |
| Part-time* Non-resident Tuition, NSC | \$152.00/ per credit | \$156.00/ per credit | \$161.50/ per credit | \$167.00/ per credit | \$172.75/ per credit |
| Part-time* Non-resident Tuition, Community Colleges (upper division) | \$152.00/ per credit | \$158.25/ per credit | \$164.50/ per credit | \$171.00/ per credit | \$178.00/ per credit |
| Part-time* Non-resident Tuition, Community Colleges (lower division) | \$93.00/ per credit | \$96.75/ per credit | \$100.75/ per credit | \$104.50/ per credit | \$108.75/ per credit |

*Part-time non-resident tuition rates are assessed to students enrolled in 7 or fewer credits and are calculated as an additional percent above the base registration fee.

Discounted Tuition Rates

- ❑ According to Board policy, tuition discounts for defined student populations are based on a percentage calculation of the applicable registration fee
- ❑ See reference material for specifics



Proposed Policy Revisions



Policy Proposal #1

□ Predictable Pricing

- Since the committee recommends tuition and fees rates for two biennia, it also recommends prohibiting changes in tuition and fee rates once set, except in “emergency situations or extreme economic circumstances”

See reference material for written proposal

Policy Proposal #2

□ Calculation of Undergraduate Registration Fee for State College

- Current policy sets NSC tuition and fees at mid-point between undergraduate university and lower-division community college
- Committee recommends allowing NSC flexibility to set tuition and fees independently

See reference material for written proposal

Policy Proposal #3

□ Registration Fee Incentive Programs

- Under existing policy institutions may bring forward *tuition* incentives for Board approval
- Committee recommends adding language allowing the same for registration fee incentives

See reference material for written proposal

Policy Proposal #4

Registration Fee or Tuition Discounts

- Committee recommends allowing institutions to bring forward for Board approval tuition or fee discounts
- Periodic reporting to Board recommended

See reference material for written proposal

Next Steps

- This meeting
 - Tuition and fee recommendations presented for information only
 - Consider four policy proposals for approval today
 1. Predictable Pricing
 2. Delete Midpoint Calculation for NSC
 3. Registration Fee Incentive Programs
 4. Registration Fee or Tuition Discounts
- June 5-6, 2014 meeting
 - Final hearing and action on tuition and fee recommendations



Questions?

