

BOARD OF REGENTS
BRIEFING PAPER

1. Agenda Item Title: Procedures and Guidelines Manual Revision – Chapter 7, Section 3, Tuition and Fees, University of Nevada School of Medicine and Section 18, Distribution of Fees and Tuition, University of Nevada School of Medicine

2. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

Pursuant to NSHE Board of Regents Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 17, Sections 1.5 & 1.6, Assessment of Fees and Section 7, Tuition and Fees, on a biennial basis, in the Spring of every even numbered year, the President, University of Nevada, Reno (or designee), chairs a committee composed of the Dean, School of Medicine, School of Medicine student government representatives, University of Nevada, Reno administrative officers, and a representative from the Chancellor's Office. The committee gathers and reviews data and makes recommendations to the Chancellor and the Board on an appropriate level of tuition and fees to be assessed all students in the School of Medicine at the University of Nevada, Reno.

In establishing such rates and fees for the School of Medicine at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNSOM) the university committee uses the following information in its deliberations:

1. Charges at peer institutions as defined in the annual Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) calculation of the median tuition and fees of members' states.
2. Information pertaining to consumer prices in the WICHE region.
3. Projected state funding over the biennium.
4. A needs assessment of the School of Medicine at the University of Nevada, Reno.
5. Other indices and information as needed to determine the appropriateness of UNSOM's tuition and fee rates.

3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

President Marc Johnson presents for approval the proposed tuition and fee structure for the 2015-17 biennium for the University of Nevada School of Medicine. This request reflects an increase in resident tuition and fees of 4% per year for each year of the 2015-17 biennium. (Attachment 1a). President Johnson further seeks approval of the full amount of the proposed increase being allocated to the State Supported Operating Budget of the Medical School, net of any increases in the UNR General Improvement, Capital Improvement, Activities and Programs and Technology fees and the Student Access Fee. The Student Access Fee is calculated as a percentage of Tuition and Fees and therefore results in an automatic increase in the fee. (Attachment 1b).

4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

To comply with Board of Regents policy established in Title 4, Chapter 17, Sections 1.5 & 1.6, Assessment of Fees and Section 7, Tuition & Fees, School of Medicine, which requires that tuition and fees for the School of Medicine be established on a biennial basis in the Spring of every even numbered year.

5. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- This proposal complies with Board of Regents policy established in Title 4, Chapter 17, Sections 1.5 & 1.6, Assessment of Fees and Section 7, Tuition & Fees, School of Medicine.
- The proposed resident and non-resident increases will narrow the gap between Nevada and the other WICHE institutions (Attachment 2).
- All tuition increases, net of any increases in the UNR General Improvement, Capital Improvement, Activities and Programs and Technology fees and the UNSOM Student Access Fee will be allocated to the State Supported Operating Budget of the Medical School.

6. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

Students will be required to pay the increase in tuition and fees to attend the School of Medicine at the University of Nevada, Reno. Student representation on the committee did not object to the increase.

7. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED:

Failure to review the appropriateness of UNSOM's tuition and fees would violate Board of Regents policy, Title 4, Chapter 17, Sections 1.5 & 1.6, Assessment of Fees and Section 7, Tuition & Fees, School of Medicine. Student indebtedness will increase.

8. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title # 4 Chapter # 17 Section # 1.5 & 1.6, Assessment of Fees and Section # 7, Tuition and Fees, University of Nevada School of Medicine

Amends Current Board Policy: Title # Chapter # Section #

Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter # 7 Section # 3 Tuition and Fees, University of Nevada School of Medicine and Section # 18, Distribution of Fees and Tuition, University of Nevada School of Medicine

Other: _____

Fiscal Impact: Yes No _____

Explain: The tuition and fees to attend the School of Medicine will generate revenues to be considered in the biennial budget process.

**PROPOSED REVISIONS – PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES MANUAL
CHAPTER 7, SECTION 3**

Tuition and Fees, University of Nevada School of Medicine

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- A. All full-time University of Nevada School of Medicine students who are classified as Nevada residents shall be assessed annual tuition and registration fees as follows:

Medical School	[2012-2013]	2013-2014	2014-2015	<i>2015-2016</i>	<i>2016-2017</i>
Resident	[\$20,700.00]	\$22,356.00	\$24,144.00	<i>\$25,110.00</i>	<i>\$26,114.00</i>

- B. Except for those students receiving WICHE support, all non-resident medical students shall be assessed combined annual non-resident tuition and registration fees as follows:

Medical School	[2012-2013]	2013-2014	2014-2015	<i>2015-2016</i>	<i>2016-2017</i>
Non-Resident	[\$51,876.00]	\$53,640.00	\$55,464.00	<i>\$55,464.00</i>	<i>\$55,464.00</i>

- C. ~~[Students entering UNSOM prior to Fall 2011 may continue to pay the "averaged" tuition so long as they are continuously enrolled. This provision will expire in June 2014 after which point all non-resident students will pay full non-resident tuition. Out of state tuition for students who establish residency during their first year will be "averaged" over their four-year program of study. Students who are non-residents their first year and residents for the next three years shall annually be assessed tuition and fees as follows:]~~

[Medical School]	[2010-2011]	[2011-2012]	[2012-2013]	[2013-2014]	[2014-2015]
[Non-Resident Average Tuition]	[\$20,519.00]	[\$24,777.00]	[\$28,494.00]	[\$30,177.00]	[N/A]

WICHE students must have evidence that they have applied for WICHE support from their state. WICHE students are responsible for paying any difference between the UNSOM non-resident tuition and the WICHE approved Professional Student Exchange Program fees for Medicine

**PROPOSED REVISIONS – PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES MANUAL
CHAPTER 7, SECTION 18**

Distribution of Fees and Tuition, University of Nevada School of Medicine

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The following fee distribution for the University of Nevada, School of Medicine has been approved by the Board of Regents:

	<u>[2011-12]</u>	[<u>2012-13</u>]	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
RESIDENT TUITION	[FULL TIME]	[FULL TIME]	FULL TIME	FULL TIME	FULL TIME	FULL TIME
Total General Fund	[\$ 7,049.22]	[\$ 8,009.05]	\$ 8,565.00	\$ 9,190.00	\$ 9,542.30	\$ 9,943.90
General Improvement	[78.54]	[78.54]	98.70	98.70	98.70	98.70
Capital Improvement	[272.00]	[272.00]	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00
Activities & Programs	[76.50]	[76.50]	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00
Technology Fee	[449.00]	[449.00]	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00
Student Access	[4,366.32]	[4,756.99]	2,111.30	2,238.30	2,511.00	2,611.40
Student Association	[37.92]	[37.92]	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00
Total	[\$8,999.50]	[\$10,350.00]	\$11,178.00	\$12,072.00	\$12,555.00	\$13,057.00



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Comparison Group: Nevada vs. Western

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Year(s): 2012

	Resident First Year Tuition	Resident First Year Student Fees	Resident First Year Health Insurance Fees, and Health Insurance	Resident First Year Tuition, Fees, and Health Insurance	Nonresident First Year Tuition	Nonresident First Year Student Fees	Nonresident First Year Health Insurance	Nonresident First Year Tuition and Student Fees
Nevada	\$17,999	\$2,155	\$2,962	\$23,116	\$45,110	\$2,155	\$2,962	\$50,227
Public, All Regions Average	\$24,257	\$2,916	\$1,795	\$28,969	\$45,647	\$4,013	\$1,788	\$51,448
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Comparison Group								
Western Average	\$27,107	\$1,788	\$2,048	\$30,943	\$48,417	\$5,495	\$2,048	\$55,961
Ranked By Resident First Year Tuition								
1 Oregon	\$34,316	\$4,100	\$3,925	\$42,341	\$48,545	\$4,100	\$3,925	\$56,570
2 Colorado	29,984	2,034	3,260	35,278	29,984	27,989	3,260	61,233
3 Hawaii- Burns	29,184	650	2,428	32,262	61,464	650	2,428	64,542
4 Utah	28,735	919	1,432	31,086	54,400	919	1,432	56,751
5 Arizona	26,690	934	1,862	29,486	44,532	934	1,862	47,328
6 U Washington	24,720	600	0	25,320	53,700	600	0	54,300
7 New Mexico	16,120	3,277	1,428	20,825	46,297	3,275	1,428	51,000

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