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VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

B. Finance and Audit Committee

In Joint Session With

C. Capital Assets Committee

Academic Year 2005-06 Tuition Rates for the Undergraduate Non-resident, Graduate and Professional Tuition Categories

<u>RECOMMENDED ACTION</u>:

It is the recommendation of the University of Washington administration and the Finance and Audit and Capital Assets Committee that the Board of Regents take the following actions regarding tuition rates for the undergraduate non-resident, graduate and professional tuition categories for the 2005-06 academic year:

establish tuition rates for the undergraduate non-resident, graduate and professional tuition categories for the 2005-06 academic year as shown in the attached table;

change the graduate tuition tier designation for engineering masters students from Graduate Tier III to Graduate Tier I; and

establish a cohort-based, two-year tuition rate for business masters students who begin their programs during the 2005-06 academic year; under this cohort-based tuition rate, business masters students entering programs at the start of the 2005-06 academic year will pay the rate listed on the attached table for both the 2005-06 academic year and the 2006-07 academic year; to be eligible for the cohort-based tuition rate, a business masters student must have continuous attendance and complete the degree program within a twoyear time frame, subject to review and adjustment based upon the level of state general fund support that is received for the biennium.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The policy and financial context for these tuition recommendations was discussed at the February Board of Regents meeting. Consistent with recent policy, the purpose of setting tuition for these tuition categories in March is to provide early notice of next year's tuition to prospective and returning students. However, as this item is under consideration by the Board of Regents, the legislature is still in session and the administration does not yet know what level of State General Fund support will be provided to the university for Fiscal Year 2006. Depending on the level of State General Fund support that the legislature ultimately approves for the university for Fiscal Year 2006, the administration may ask the Board of Regents to reconsider these tuition rate actions for the 2005-06 academic year when the university's Fiscal Year 2006 budget is discussed and approved.

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This action item does not establish a tuition rate for undergraduate resident students. The legislature has retained authority over undergraduate resident tuition rates and the university cannot establish a tuition rate for these students until after the legislature has established an upper limit for the tuition increase in the 2005-07 State operating budget bill. The Board of Regents will discuss and establish a tuition rate for undergraduate resident students during its review and approval of the university's Fiscal Year 2006 budget which will occur in May and June (assuming that the legislature completes its actions during the regular session time limits).

A new tuition category for nursing masters students at the Seattle campus was added in 2004-05 with provisions to mitigate the impact of increasing tuition on current students. The 2005-06 academic year will be the last year of the "grandfathering" for nursing masters students; beginning with the 2006-07 academic year, all nursing masters students will be charged the same tuition rate.

Similarly, over the last few years previous Doctor of Pharmacy students have been "grandfathered" to mitigate the impact of tuition increases. The ongoing process of transitioning to having all PharmD students to standard resident and non-resident tuition rates continues during the 2005-06 academic year; for the 2005-06 academic year, incoming, 2nd year, and 3rd year students are in one tuition category and only 4th year students are paying a "grandfathered" rate. Beginning with the 2006-07 academic year, all PharmD students will be charged at either a standard resident or non-resident tuition rate.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS:

As was discussed at the February Board of Regents meetings, the administration plans on continuing to conduct analyses on both the level and structure of tuition rates for these tuition categories, and plans further discussion with the Board of Regents in upcoming months on the policy issues and questions raised by these analyses. Among the areas for discussion and analysis are:

Should the university formally establish longer-term tuition targets?

Is the current price differential among the graduate tuition tiers sufficient?

Should the university establish more degree specific tuition categories at the graduate level?

For selected graduate and professional tuition categories, should the university consider eliminating the resident/non-resident differential?

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Are there graduate or professional programs other than business masters where the university might want to consider cohort-based tuition structures?

Attachment:

2005-06 Academic Year Tuition Rate Recommendations for the Undergraduate Non-Resident, Graduate and Professional Tuition Categories

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7,800	+ 1,900	24.4%	9,70
17,400	+ 1,800	10.3%	19,20
7,100	+ 1,210	17.0%	8,310
17,300	+ 290	1.7%	17,59
9,700	+ 970	10.0%	10,67
8,200	+ 410	5.0%	8,61
19,200	+ 1,920	10.0%	21,12
18,200	+ 910	5.0%	19,11
12,100	+ 2,680	22.1%	14,78
21,000	+ 3,717	17.7%	24,71
13,000	+ 1,300	10.0%	14,30
19,300	+ 1,930	10.0%	21,23
12,800	+ 1,152	9.0%	13,95
31,000	+ 2,790	9.0%	33,79
12,800	+ 1,152	9.0%	13,95
31,000	+ 2,790	9.0%	33,79
11,000	+ 935	8.5%	11,93
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	2004-05 Tuition	2005-06 Dollar Increase	2005-06 % Increase	2005-06 Recommended Tuition
Post-baccalaureate Resident	7.600	+ 650	8.6%	8,250
taking 1 or more graduate courses	7,000	+ 000	0.0%	0,230
Post-baccalaureate Non-resident				
taking only undergraduate courses	17,400	+ 2,000	11.5%	19,400
taking 1 or more graduate courses	17,800	+ 1,500	8.4%	19,300
Non-matriculated Resident				
taking 1 or more graduate courses	7,600	+ 650	8.6%	8,250
Non-matriculated Non-Resident				
taking only undergraduate courses	17,400	+ 2,000	11.5%	19,400
taking 1 or more graduate courses	17,800	+ 1,500	8.4%	19,300

Tier I

All PhD students Master's degrees not specified below

Tier II

Education masters Forest Resources masters Non-professional School of Medicine masters Oceanography & Fisheries Sciences masters Public Affairs masters Public Health & Community Medicine masters

Tier III

Architecture & Urban Planning masters Information School masters Tacoma masters in Computing and Software Systems