

FY2026 Tuition Rates, Mandatory Fees and Incidental Fees

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This agenda item includes President Murthy's recommendations to the Oregon State University Board of Trustees to set tuition rates, mandatory fees, and incidental fees for fiscal year (FY) 2026. Included in this material are revenue estimates that describe the budgetary impact for the university as well as the cost impacts to students. Advisory input from the University Budget Committee is also included. The president's recommendation is for a general undergraduate tuition increase of 4.8% for returning students and 5.3% for new incoming students. Graduate and professional program rates are also recommended for increases of various levels and differ by program.

BACKGROUND

The tuition and fee recommendations presented here are part of OSU's long-term financial strategy in support of OSU's values and its mission to provide access to a high quality and affordable higher education and a path to an OSU degree for Oregon residents. OSU strives to make college affordable for all students, especially state residents, based on their ability to pay.

Based on its commitment and fiduciary duties, including managing anticipated inflationary cost increases, the board establishes the expectation that annual tuition rate increases will be between 2 and 5 percent. Board policy states that changes outside this range will be considered when necessitated by external factors such as changes in state funding, costs of state-provided benefits, or reductions in program scope or costs. Strategies for new enrollment growth, and efficiencies in administration and program and service delivery have been a foundational part of the university's operations and priorities and will continue to be in the future.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN TUITION AND FEES FOR 2025-26

Under the [Tuition and Fee Process](#) adopted by the board, the university considers a number of factors in developing tuition and fee recommendations. These include:

- Providing access to degree programs for students from all circumstances and recognizing challenges students and families face in today's environment.
- Creating a diverse student body.
- Maintaining strong degree programs at every level.
- Supporting world-class research, scholarship, and engagement aligned with the goals of the university's strategic plan.
- Maintaining the human and physical infrastructure necessary to support Oregon's educational outcome goals.
- Projected cost and revenue changes for FY2026, including inflationary cost increases, important strategic commitments and existing obligations.
- Undergraduate financial aid need and allocations to assist students with highest need.
- Fall 2024 enrollments and enrollment targets for fall 2025.
- Comparisons of tuition rates with strategic plan peers.
- Impact of tuition increases on enrollment for undergraduate students.
- Any constraints from the Oregon Legislature on setting tuition and mandatory fees.

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In Academic Years 2020-21 and 2021-22, OSU moved to a cohort tuition model, with the aim of limiting tuition rate increases for continuing undergraduate students to the estimated rate of inflation (or less) while increasing rates for incoming students in line with market comparators, which also provides resources for program improvements while those students are at OSU. The result is that undergraduate students now have tuition rates that vary by their year of matriculation. The approach creates more predictability for continuing students but allows sufficient flexibility to address growth in university costs and program development and adjust to the competitive landscape for students. The University Budget Committee (UBC) followed this approach in making its recommendations.

The UBC constitutes the tuition advisory body required by ORS 352.102. The UBC recommended rate changes in tuition and mandatory fees for 2025-26 to President Murthy in early February (a copy of that report is included in Attachment 2).

Oregon State’s tuition and fee structure is complex. Like most large public universities, there are distinct rates charged for Oregon resident students, non-residents, undergraduates, graduate students, and professional programs. A number of colleges at OSU have differential tuition over and above base tuition rates. Beyond this, Ecampus tuition charges are different from other tuition rates, and Ecampus charges make no distinction between resident and nonresident students. Mandatory fees are also an important resource for some core activities of the university.

The table below summarizes the various tuition and fee recommendations for OSU students for FY 2026:

Rate	Recommendation	Notes
Continuing resident and non-resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	4.8%	
New resident and non-resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	5.3%	
Resident Graduate	2.00%	Graduate tuition is heavily market driven, slight increase to help with inflationary pressures
Non-Resident Graduate	5.3%	
Continuing and New Ecampus undergraduates	4.8%	Ecampus rates remain at a competitive level with peers; brings all cohorts to \$384/SCH
Continuing and New Ecampus graduate	2.00%	Maintains Ecampus rates at competitive level with peers; brings all cohorts to \$582/SCH
Professional tuition increases	3.00% - 7.00%	Depending on program (3% DPT, 4.8% - Pharmacy, 7.00% Vet Med)
Differential tuition undergraduate	4.8%	
Differential tuition graduate	4.8%	
Summer tuition	5.3%	

Mandatory matriculation fees	4% - 19.43%	Three component increases, resulting in matriculation fees of \$364 for graduate students and \$418 for undergraduates
Mandatory building debt fee – Corvallis	20.0% (\$11.80/qtr)	Needed increase to support renewal of student services buildings, \$10 increase/quarter in FY25
Mandatory building debt fee – OSU-Cascades	2.50% - 3.77% (\$1-2/qtr)	Needed increase to support renewal of student services buildings
Student Health Services – OSU-Cascades	5.0%	\$5.70 increase per quarter
Student Health Services-Corvallis	3.47%	To address increasing costs of medical staffing and maintain services
Counseling and Psychological Services-Corvallis	3.79%	To maintain current service levels

Undergraduate rate increases noted are on the per credit hour charges, not on the base “zero-credit” charge made for resident and non-resident academic year tuition. Total increases are somewhat less than the quoted percentages because of the fixed zero-credit charge and rounding to whole dollars.

While the Board of Trustees decides tuition and fee rates for the university, there is a partial limitation imposed by statute in the State of Oregon. Under ORS 350.075, the Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) has statutory authority to approve or disapprove tuition rate increases greater than 5% for resident Oregon undergraduates at any public university in the state. OSU’s practices have generally adjusted tuition at the same rate across the various types of students noted in the prior table, but the HECC 5% limit only applies to resident undergraduates. It is also important to note that some mandatory fees “count” toward that limit, so the university needs to take those into account when considering increases that might be near or above the 5% threshold.

TUITION AND FEE SETTING PROCESS

The tuition and fee setting process at OSU spans many months beginning in the fall with the University Budget Committee (UBC). The UBC is OSU’s statutorily required tuition advisory body and consists of broad representation across the institution with membership from students, academic faculty, and professional faculty. Each fall, the UBC examines a range of financial information and trends and reviews proposals from OSU divisions seeking changes in mandatory fees. The UBC evaluates potential changes to tuition rates for the following fiscal year, including the budgetary and student impacts of those changes.

The Budget and Resource Planning (BRP) staff work with the UBC to narrow in on a range of options for tuition and fee changes, and scenarios are discussed with the Board of Trustees in the winter Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

As an important part of the tuition and fee setting process, the BRP staff engages with the OSU student community through a series of tuition forums. This is in addition to student representation on the UBC. This year, three tuition forums were held in early November, two of which were co-hosted by the student governments of the Corvallis and Cascades campuses (ASOSU and ASCC, respectively) in an effort to bolster participation relative to prior years.

Each year the UBC presents a set of recommendations for tuition and mandatory fee rates to the president, who in turn makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees (this docket material) for their review and action.

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Beyond the UBC, student incidental fee recommendations are developed by the respective campus student governments and also provided to the president and included in this docket for board action.

UNIVERSITY BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The [University Budget Committee](#) examined a range of tuition and fee scenarios in preparation for making a recommendation to President Murthy in early February 2025. As it has done in recent years, the UBC built an understanding of cost pressures across the university as well as considered proposals from units within Student Affairs for increases to mandatory fees.

Early consideration by the UBC looked at scenarios below and above the HECC 5% threshold for resident undergraduates, and in the end most closely evaluated three options that all remained below the HECC limit and sought to maximize resources to the university within that limit. The variations in those scenarios principally involved the tradeoff of more general revenue (tuition) with more targeted revenue (via mandatory fees), specifically the building loan/debt fee. A plurality of committee members recommended a 4.0% increase in tuition for returning undergraduate students, and 4.5% for new undergraduate students. The UBC's recommendation for the building loan/debt fee (76.27%) was significantly higher than the President's recommendation noted above, thus limiting the amount of tuition capacity under the 5% HECC limit.

Aside from the different rates of increase for undergraduate tuition and the building loan/debt fee, the President's recommendation and the UBC recommendations are in alignment.

DISCUSSION OF PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

The tuition and fee rate recommendations included here cover the various complex categories OSU has for charging students. Tables 1, 2 and 3 below detail the specific charges by student type and by tuition and fee category. An online tuition calculator (and tuition tables, where appropriate) showing tuition by credit hour load for all majors will be available to students after approval of final rates by the board. OSU rounds tuition charges to the nearest whole dollar after the application of a percentage rate increase.

Undergraduate base tuition for Corvallis and OSU-Cascades is recommended to increase by 4.8% for continuing students and 5.3% for most new undergraduate students

Undergraduate base tuition for Ecampus students is recommended to increase consistent with the Corvallis and OSU-Cascades continuing student rate of increase at 4.8% (\$384/SCH).

Undergraduate differential tuition rates are recommended to increase at the rate for continuing students (4.8%). Differential tuition per credit charges are the same for all cohorts and do not differ by residency status of the student, even when the underlying base tuition does vary by a student's state of residency (Table 3).

Graduate base tuition is recommended to increase 2.0% for resident and 5.3% for non-resident students. Ecampus graduate base tuition is recommended to increase at 2.0%. Resident graduate tuition is at the high side of peer rates and a small increase will keep campus and Ecampus programs more competitive. Rates for non-residents are near the median for peers and an inflationary increase is market-appropriate.

Graduate differential tuition rates are also increased by 4.8%. In Engineering differential charges are kept the same for residents and non-residents. Ecampus differential rates are generally lower, consistent with the lower rate of increase for base graduate tuition for Ecampus.

Professional program tuition for the PharmD, DVM, and professional degrees at OSU-Cascades were recommended to increase 2.0% - 7.0% depending on the program (see Table 4). These rates were recommended by the particular programs after an assessment of peer and market tuition rates, and an evaluation of demand for the programs.

Summer tuition rates for undergraduate and graduate students are recommended to match academic year resident per credit hour rates for the incoming cohort of resident students at the respective campuses. There is no differentiation between residents and non-residents for undergraduate and most graduate programs in the summer. Summer tuition is charged by the credit hour for most programs.

Health fees at both OSU-Cascades and Corvallis were reviewed by the UBC. OSU-Cascades is developing its health services program as enrollment grows and an increase of \$5.70 per quarter (5.0%) is recommended to support expanded services. An increase of 3.47% for Student Health Services (SHS) at Corvallis was recommended to maintain continued services and address significant cost increases in health services. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) in Corvallis recommended a 3.79% increase to align with the demand for services.

Student Building Loan/Debt fee. The student building loan/debt fee for Corvallis supports direct expenses and debt service used to build, repair, or renew student services buildings (such as the Memorial Union, Dixon Recreation Center, the Cultural Resource Centers, and the Student Experience Center). Prior to FY24, the fee had only one inflationary increase in 20 years while capital construction inflation increased intensely over the same period. Given the significant need for repair and improvements of these student facing facilities – estimated at \$250M in deferred maintenance for just the MU and Dixon Rec Center – this fee increase begins to meaningfully attend to the needed building renewal and reinvestment over the next ten years. Last year the university increased this fee by \$10/quarter and is continuing with another 20% (\$11.80/quarter) increase for FY 2026.

The student building loan/debt fee for OSU-Cascades supports the recently completed Student Success Center, and funds from this fee will also help resource a student health and recreation center. The OSU-Cascades is recommended to increase by 3.77% (\$55/quarter).

Matriculation fee. The matriculation fee is charged once a student enters OSU. This fee revenue is allocated and spent for a variety of functions that help students enter and succeed at OSU in Enrollment Management, Student Affairs' Office of Student Orientation, and the Registrar's Office. Prior to the changes recommended here, the fee was \$350 regardless of campus or modality. Similar to the experience with the building loan/debt fee and its long period without adjustment, the matriculation fee has not been increased since FY 2015. This fee is recommended to increase in three distinct ways: an inflationary adjustment for FY 2026, an inflationary "catch-up" to reflect the expense growth that has occurred without an upward adjustment to the source of revenue, and also an undergraduate-only increase with revenue dedicated to a New Student Onboarding initiative being developed as part of the "Every Student Graduates" goal of *Prosperity Widely Shared*. The resulting matriculation fees are recommended at \$418 for undergraduates and \$364 for graduate students.

At the recommended undergraduate tuition rate increase of 4.8% for continuing students and 5.3% for most new students, the weighted average tuition and mandatory fee increase (the rate subject to the HECC 5% threshold) is 4.89%.

Other projected rate changes

Tuition and mandatory fees are only part of the cost of attendance for students. Student incidental fees and University Housing and Dining Services rates are the other major costs that are set by the university.

Student incidental fees are recommended to the president for referral to the board by the ASOSU and ASCC student governments based on recommendations from student-led committees and approval by the respective student government legislatures. Recommendations for incidental fee increases are 1.6% (\$8.45 per quarter for the academic year) for Corvallis. The OSU-Cascades Student Fee Committee unanimously approved their Fiscal Year 2025 Student Fee Proposal for consideration by the Oregon State University Board of Trustees. The proposal is to increase the student incidental fee for FY26 by 3.07% (\$11.83 per quarter for the academic year).

BUDGET IMPACT

Tuition revenue is budgeted, allocated, and spent out of the University’s Education and General fund (E&G). This is OSU’s largest fund that most directly resources the education, research, and outreach mission of the institution. Tuition is the largest and most flexible resource within this fund.

Below is the estimated budgetary impact of the tuition and mandatory fee increases that are recommended for next fiscal year. The table also takes into account estimated impacts of anticipated enrolment growth. At the recommended rates of increase and projected enrollment changes, tuition and fees would generate an aggregate \$41.5 million above current year levels.

(\$millions)	Estimate <u>FY 2025</u>	Estimate <u>FY 2026</u>
Projected net tuition & Fees	522.9	564.5
Marginal revenue		41.5

STUDENT MARGINAL IMPACTS

The table below shows the marginal cost to individual undergraduate students based on the recommendations noted above. This tables show the cost on a per credit basis, as well as full tuition charges for the academic year. Additionally, this table shows base tuition charges and does not include the effect of changes in differential tuition for the colleges and programs where that is applicable.

Tuition Changes		
UG Per Credit Cost	<u>Current</u>	<u>4.8%</u>
Oregon Resident	\$261	\$275
Non-Resident	\$778	\$819
Ecampus	\$366	\$384
Marginal Difference Per Credit		<u>4.8%</u>
Oregon Resident		\$14
Non-Resident		\$41
Ecampus		\$18
Full-Year Costs (tuition only)	<u>Current</u>	<u>4.8%</u>
Oregon Resident (45 credits)	\$12,045	\$12,675
Non-Resident (45 credits)	\$36,015	\$37,860
Ecampus (24 credits)	\$8,784	\$9,216

RECOMMENDATION

The president recommends that the board approve the resolution in Attachment 1 establishing the academic year 2025-26 and summer 2025 tuition and mandatory fees, at the rates documented in Attachment 1, Exhibit A. The principal recommendations are for a 4.8% increase for continuing undergraduates (Corvallis and OSU-Cascades) and a 5.3% increase for new incoming undergraduate students (Corvallis and OSU-Cascades). The weighted average tuition and mandatory fee increase for resident undergraduates is 4.89%. Graduate and professional program rates are also recommended for increases of various levels and differ by program.

DETAILED RATE INFORMATION

Table 1: Detail of undergraduate base tuition rate calculations for the current year and for the rates recommended to the board. Summer base tuition rates have no resident/non-resident distinction and are charged at a single rate per credit hour for all undergraduate students. The flat per-quarter charges are not incremented and per credit hour rates are rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

	2024-25 Base Tuition Components			2025-26 Base Tuition Components			Increase for 3 terms (45)	% increase
	Zero credit hour flat charge	Total tuition per credit	Annual total at 15 credits per term	Zero credit hour charge	Total tuition per credit	Annual total at 15 credits		
Resident Corvallis								
Matriculated prior to July 2021	100	252	11,640	100	264	12,180	540	4.64%
Matriculated 2021-22	100	256	11,820	100	268	12,360	540	4.57%
Matriculated 2022-23	100	258	11,910	100	270	12,450	540	4.53%
Matriculated 2023-24	100	260	12,000	100	272	12,540	540	4.50%
Matriculated 2024-25	100	261	12,045	100	274	12,630	585	5.25%
Matriculated 2025-26	100			100	275	12,675	630	5.23%
Resident Cascades								
Matriculated prior to July 2021	100	248	11,460	100	260	12,000	540	4.71%
Matriculated 2021-22	100	252	11,640	100	264	12,180	540	4.64%
Matriculated 2022-23	100	258	11,910	100	270	12,450	540	4.53%
Matriculated 2023-24	100	260	12,000	100	272	12,540	540	4.50%
Matriculated 2024-25	100	261	12,045	100	274	12,630	585	5.25%
Matriculated 2025-26	100			100	275	12,675	630	5.23%
Non-resident								
Matriculated prior to July 2021	335	751	34,800	335	787	36,420	1,620	4.66%
Matriculated 2021-22	335	763	35,340	335	800	37,005	1,665	4.71%
Matriculated 2022-23	335	771	35,700	335	808	37,365	1,665	4.66%
Matriculated 2023-24	335	774	35,835	335	811	37,500	1,665	4.65%
Matriculated 2024-25	335	778	36,015	335	815	37,680	1,665	5.15%
Matriculated 2025-26	335			335	819	37,860	1,845	5.12%
Ecampus								
Matriculated prior to July 2021	-	366	16,470	-	384	17,280	810	4.92%
Matriculated 2021-22	-	366	16,470	-	384	17,280	810	4.92%
Matriculated 2022-23	-	366	16,470	-	384	17,280	810	4.92%
Matriculated 2023-24	-	366	16,470	-	384	17,280	810	4.92%
Matriculated 2024-25	-	366	16,470	-	384	17,280	810	4.92%
Matriculated 2025-26	-			-				
Summer								
Corvallis, all undergraduates		261	11,745		275	12,375		5.36%
Cascades, all undergraduates	-	261	11,745	-	275	12,375		5.36%

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Table 2: Recommended base graduate and professional tuition rates. The Notes column indicates how the rate is applied. A plateau means the charge is constant within the range noted.

	FY25 Rate	FY26 Rate	Annual cost at 12 credits	% increase	Notes
Base resident graduate tuition	\$ 508	\$ 518	\$ 13,990	2.00%	per credit with plateau 9-16 credits
Base non-resident graduate tuition	\$ 1,143	\$ 1,204	\$ 32,508	5.34%	per credit with plateau 9-16 credits
Base Ecampus graduate tuition	\$ 571	\$ 582	\$ 20,967	2.00%	per credit with plateau 9-16 credits
Base summer graduate	\$ 508	\$ 535	\$ 14,445	5.31%	per credit, all credits, all residencies
Professional degrees					
PharmD resident	\$ 812	\$ 851	\$ 30,636	4.80%	Per credit to 12 credits then flat
PharmD non-resident	\$ 1,327	\$ 1,391	\$ 50,076	4.82%	Per credit to 12 credits then flat
DVM resident	\$ 29,109	\$ 31,147	\$ 31,147	7.00%	Flat rate
DVM non-resident	\$ 58,221	\$ 62,296	\$ 62,296	7.00%	Flat rate
MBA, MS Business resident	\$ 830	\$ 847	\$ 30,492	2.05%	Per credit, base tuition of \$518 plus \$329 per credit
MBA, MS Business non-resident	\$ 1,595	\$ 1,680	\$ 60,480	5.33%	Per credit, base tuition of \$1,204 plus \$476 per credit
Cascades MS Coun resident	\$ 478	\$ 488	\$ 17,552	2.00%	Per credit
Cascades MS Coun non-resident	\$ 906	\$ 949	\$ 34,182	4.80%	Per credit
Cascades MAT resident	\$ 464	\$ 473	\$ 17,038	2.00%	Per credit
Cascades MAT non-resident	\$ 906	\$ 949	\$ 34,182	4.80%	Per credit
Cascades MFA resident	\$ 510	\$ 520	\$ 18,727	2.00%	Per credit
Cascades MFA non-resident	\$ 510	\$ 534	\$ 19,241	4.80%	Per credit
Cascades Doc Phys Therapy resident	\$ 23,418	\$ 24,121	\$ 24,121	3.00%	3% increase
Cascades Doc Phys The. non-res	\$ 34,233	\$ 35,260	\$ 35,260	3.00%	3% increase
Mandatory fees - Fall/Winter/Spring					
Matriculation fee (Undergraduate)	\$ 350.00	\$ 418.00	\$ 418.00	19.43%	Charged once on matriculation
Matriculation fee (Graduate)	\$ 350.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 364.00	4.00%	Charged once on matriculation
Building fee - Corvallis	\$ 59.00	\$ 70.80	\$ 212.40	20.00%	Charged per quarter
Building fee - Cascades	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 164.99	3.77%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Corvallis	\$ 166.49	\$ 172.27	\$ 516.80	3.47%	Charged per quarter
Counseling Corvallis	\$ 77.36	\$ 80.29	\$ 240.88	3.79%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Cascades	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 359.10	5.00%	Charged per quarter
Mandatory fees - Summer					
Matriculation fee (Undergraduate)	\$ 350.00	\$ 418.00	\$ 418.00	19.43%	Charged once on matriculation
Matriculation fee (Graduate)	\$ 350.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 364.00	4.00%	Charged once on matriculation
Building fee - Corvallis	\$ 40.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 144.00	20.00%	Charged per quarter
Building fee - Cascades	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 123.00	2.50%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Corvallis	\$ 159.45	\$ 167.43	\$ 502.30	5.01%	Charged per quarter
Counseling Corvallis	\$ 55.31	\$ 58.07	\$ 174.21	4.99%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Cascades	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 359.10	5.00%	Charged per quarter

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Table 3: Differential tuition charges. Some programs have additional charges added to base tuition. The recommended rate increases are shown. These are rounded to the nearest dollar. Differential rates are the same for all undergraduate cohorts. All are added on a per credit hour basis, except for the Honors College differential, which is charged as a flat charge per quarter.

	FY25 Rate	FY26 Rate	% increase
Undergraduate campus differentials			
Engineering resident	62	65	4.84%
Engineering non-resident	62	65	4.84%
Forestry resident	20	21	5.00%
Forestry non-resident	20	21	5.00%
Business resident	26	27	3.85%
Business non-resident	26	27	3.85%
Arts CLA resident	25	26	4.00%
Arts CLA non-resident	25	26	4.00%
Honors resident & non-resident differential (part time or 1-11 cr.)	260	270	3.85%
Honors resident & non-resident differential (full time or 12+ cr.)	520	540	3.85%
Graduate campus differentials			
Engineering resident	62	65	4.84%
Engineering non-resident	62	65	4.84%
MBA and MS Business resident	322	337	4.66%
MBA and MS Business non-res	452	474	4.87%
Ecampus undergraduate differentials			
Computer Science post bacc differential	211	221	4.74%
Business Students	26	27	3.85%
Engineering students	62	65	4.84%
BS Computer Science	62	65	4.84%
Developmental Math	-102	-107	4.90%
Honors resident & non-resident differential (part time or 1-11 cr.)	260	270	3.85%
Honors resident & non-resident differential (full time or 12+ cr.)	520	540	3.85%
Ecampus graduate differentials			
AHE PhD and EdD	31	32	3.23%
PhD in Counseling	31	32	3.23%
MS in Counseling	31	32	3.23%
MBA and Business Courses	322	337	4.66%
Engineering MS Rad. Health Phy	137	144	5.11%
College of Engineering students	62	65	4.84%

RESOLUTION NO. 25-02

**Oregon State University
Tuition and Mandatory Fees
For Academic Year 2025-26 and Summer Term 2025**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Oregon State University (the “Board”) has the authority to determine tuition and mandatory enrollment fees in accordance with ORS 352.102 and ORS 352.105, and other applicable law;

Whereas, the Board adopted a Tuition and Fee Process on January 16, 2015 and most recently amended on October 18, 2019 setting out the factors considered by the Board in setting tuition and fees;

Whereas, the Board authorizes the collection of mandatory incidental fees recommended by the President of the University and the recognized student governments (ASOSU and ASCC) and established in accordance with provisions outlined in ORS 352.102, ORS 352.105, and other applicable law;

Whereas, the university has recommended tuition and mandatory enrollment fees for Academic Year 2025-26 through the work of campus groups including undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty and staff;

Whereas, the President, after considering historical tuition and fee trends, comparative data for peer institutions, the University’s budget and projected costs, and anticipated state appropriation levels, has approved the tuition and the mandatory fee recommendations for consideration by the Board;

Whereas, after consideration of the impact on students and OSU’s commitments as the state’s land-grant university, the President’s recommendations include for students at Corvallis and OSU-Cascades a 4.8% increase in tuition for continuing resident and non-resident undergraduate students and a 5.3% increase for new resident and non-resident undergraduate students (a weighted average of 4.89%);

Whereas, the President has reported to the Board the nature and outcomes of consultations with students and others, including any significant disagreement; and

Whereas the Board has considered the desire to create affordable access to degree programs, create a diverse student body, maintain strong degree programs at every level, and develop and maintain the human and physical infrastructure necessary to support Oregon’s educational outcome goals;

Now, therefore, the Board of Trustees of Oregon State University hereby approves the Academic Year 2025-26 and summer 2025 tuition and mandatory fee schedules calculated as defined in Exhibit A.

This Resolution is effective _____, 2025.

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees _____, 2025

Secretary to the Board

Date

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Because of the complexities of cohort tuition, we have identified tuition rules instead of individual tables.

Oregon State University
Tuition and Mandatory Fee Schedules
Academic Year 2025-26 and Summer Term 2025

EXHIBIT A: Tuition and Fee Schedule Rules and Tables

The tuition and fee schedules are derived from the rates in Table 2 (Scenario 1), Table 3, Table 4, and Table 5, applied as defined in the following sections. Rates for specific programs, course loads, and year of matriculation will be available through an interactive tuition calculator located on an OSU website. Static tables will be posted where appropriate.

Undergraduate tuition rates at Corvallis and Cascades have a cohort structure with tuition varying by the year of matriculation. OSU maintains six undergraduate tuition cohorts at a time. When a student is enrolled longer than six years their tuition is assigned by the rates for the oldest remaining cohort.

Undergraduate tuition rates

“Base” in the formulas refers to base tuition rates per credit hours as specified in Tables 2 and 3 for the fiscal year in which a student matriculated and the student’s residency status. There will be six cohorts of base tuition rates for Corvallis and Cascades undergraduates in 2025-26.

Differential refers to a per credit hour rate for an undergraduate program with differential tuition as specified in Table 5 except for the Honors College differential which is added as an additional \$540 per quarter for 12 credits and over or \$270 per quarter for 11 credits and under, in addition to other tuition calculations.

SCH (Student Credit Hour) refers to the number of credit hours a student is registered for.

For the academic year (fall, winter spring):

- Resident undergraduate programs without differential tuition per quarter at both Corvallis and Cascades = \$100 + SCH x Base
- Non-resident undergraduate programs without differential tuition per quarter tuition at both Corvallis and Cascades = \$335 + SCH x Base
- Resident undergraduate programs with differential tuition per quarter tuition at both Corvallis and Cascades = \$100 + SCH x (Base + Differential)
- Non-resident undergraduate programs with differential tuition per quarter tuition at both Corvallis and Cascades = \$335 + SCH x (Base + Differential)

- Undergraduate programs without differential tuition through Ecampus, regardless of residency, per quarter tuition (including summer) is = SCH x Base
- Undergraduate programs with differential tuition through Ecampus, regardless of residency, per quarter tuition (including summer) = SCH x (Base + Differential)
- Summer undergraduate programs without differential tuition at both Corvallis and Cascades are charged at one rate corresponding to the rate for incoming resident students, so per quarter tuition = SCH x Base
- Summer undergraduate programs with differential tuition at both Corvallis and Cascades are charged at one rate corresponding to the rate for incoming resident students, so per quarter tuition = SCH x (Base + Differential)

For students in the Honors College, an additional \$540 per quarter is charged for credit loads of 12 credits per quarter and above or a charge of \$270 per quarter for credit loads of 1 to 11 credits per quarter.

Graduate tuition rates

Base in the formulas refers to base tuition rates per credit hours as specified in Table 4. Rates for graduate and professional education are the same regardless of the year of matriculation.

Differential refers to a per credit hour rate for a graduate program with differential tuition as specified in Table 5.

SCH (Student Credit Hour) refers to the number of credit hours a student is registered for.

Rates are the same for Corvallis and Cascades. For the academic year (fall, winter spring):

- Resident graduate programs without differential tuition per quarter through 9 credits = SCH x Base.
 - Charges for 9 to 16 credits are the same, then per credit charges are added for each credit above 16 SCH. This is referred to as a “plateau” tuition structure.
- Non-resident graduate programs without differential tuition per quarter through 9 credits = SCH x Base
 - Charges for 9 to 16 credits are the same, then per credit charges are added for each credit above 16 SCH.
- Graduate programs with differential tuition in Engineering and Public Health, an additional charge is added to the base tuition calculated above as noted in table 5 calculated as:
 - Differential tuition charge = SCH x Differential. The charge is on all credit hours and is the same for residents and non-residents in Engineering, but different for residents and non-residents in the Master of Public Health.

- Graduate programs with differential tuition including the MBA, MS in Business, MAT at Cascades, MFA at Cascades, and MS in Counseling at Cascades, tuition per quarter for residents and non-residents is calculated using the rates in Tables 4 and 5 as:
 - Tuition charge = SCH x (Base + Differential). These charges are on all credit hours. Rates are different for resident and non-residents in both Business programs, the MAT, and the MS in Counseling but are the same for residents and non-residents in the MFA.
 - Non-residents in the MBA, MAT at Cascades, MFA at Cascades, and MS in Counseling at Cascades are charged resident rates in the summer.
- Non-residents are charged resident rates in summer.

Tuition rates for DVM, PharmD, DPT

Programs for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD), and the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) are professional programs with an expectation of full-time study. The rates for those programs are shown in Table 4.

Tuition for the DVM is an annual charge based on residency as noted in Table 4. For years 1 through 3 tuition is charged in three increments over fall, winter, and spring. For fourth year students, who pursue a variety of series of study, externship, and clinical rotations from the beginning of Finals Week in June to the end of Dead Week the following June are charged in four increments over summer, fall, winter, and spring.

Tuition for the DPT degree is a flat rate for summer, fall, winter and spring quarters as noted in Table 4.

Tuition for the PharmD degree expects full time enrollment (at 12 credits) for the rate noted in Table 4 but allows for per credit enrollment at loads less than 12. Rates are the same for summer, fall, winter, and spring.

UBC Recommendation to President Murthy

To: Jayathi Murthy, President
From: Nicole von Germeten, Chair, University Budget Committee
Re: Recommendations for Tuition and Mandatory Fee rates for 2025-2026
Cc: Edward Feser, Provost and Executive Vice President
Carla Ho'a, Vice President for Finance and Administration
Date: February 4, 2025

Dear President Murthy,

In my role as Chair of the University Budget Committee, below is the summary of the committee's discussion and our recommendation.

The University Budget Committee (UBC) constitutes the tuition advisory body required by the State of Oregon (ORS 352.102). The UBC recommends the below rate changes in tuition and mandatory fees from 2024-25 to 2025-2026 for your consideration in making your recommendations to the Board of Trustees. Our tuition and fee rate recommendations apply to Corvallis, Cascades, and Ecampus students unless otherwise noted.

Some key points in regard to our discussion leading to this recommendation:

The UBC focused our discussions on undergraduate tuition and fee rates. We were attentive to the Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission's 5% limit on the rate of increase for resident undergraduate tuition and mandatory fee increases. We did analyze and discuss options below and above the HECC threshold, but ultimately we agreed that the committee as a whole should vote on three options [See Appendix 2] that all stayed below the 5% limit. These three options attempted to maximize the HECC 5% limit with a mix of tuition and fees combined.

The UBC considered the tradeoffs of maximizing general tuition (available for broad purposes across the university) versus targeted/dedicated funding for the fee-supported building and fee-supported services. To address the specifics of this question, a fee subcommittee was formed to examine options related to mandatory fees, both those that "count" toward the HECC limit as well as the Matriculation Fee, which does not. We heard a proposal from Student Affairs presented to the entire UBC. Based on that proposal, many on the committee feel it is important to address the deferred maintenance in high-use fee-supported buildings like the Memorial Union and Dixon Rec. After significant discussion of three different Matriculation Fee proposals (inflationary adjustment, orientation inflationary catch-up, and an increase to resource the New Student Onboarding initiative), UBC members were almost universally supportive of three distinct proposals which we also received from Student Affairs to increase the Matriculation Fee.

Student members of the committee voiced some concern about the level of tuition and fees and would have preferred a lower level, but they also acknowledged the budgetary tradeoffs that would be required on the part of the university. The committee also discussed—but is not recommending—potentially increasing undergraduate tuition for non-resident students at a

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higher rate than resident students. This interest was grounded in the budgetary pressures the university faces, along with the fact that the limitation from HECC that only applies to resident undergraduates.

Finally, the UBC did not come to a consensus in our vote on the three proposals. The majority of the votes (8) were for the lowest of the tuition rates and the highest building fee, as presented in the chart below. However, nine members’ votes were split across the two other options that had tuition at a higher rate of increase and less of an increase in the building fee. Those who voted for these latter options do recognize the need for additional building fee increases next year but chose to show their support for a higher rate of tuition increase this year.

UBC Tuition Recommendation:

Rate	Rec.	Notes
Continuing resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	4.0%	
Continuing non-resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	4.0%	
New resident and non-resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	4.5%	
New non-resident undergraduate, Corvallis and OSU-Cascades	4.5%	
Resident Graduate	2.0%	
Non-Resident Graduate	4.5%	
Continuing Ecampus undergraduates	4.0%	
New Ecampus undergraduates	4.5%	
Ecampus graduate	2.0%	Modest increase related to Ecampus rates relative to competitive peers
Professional tuition increases	2.0% - 7.0%	DPT at 5.0%, Pharm 4.0%, VetMed 7.0%
Differential tuition undergraduate	4.0%	Responding colleges match base increase
Differential tuition graduate	2.0%	
Summer tuition	4.5%	
Mandatory matriculation fees		
Mandatory building debt fee – Corvallis	76.27%	Move from current \$59/term to \$114/term
Mandatory building debt fee – OSU-Cascades	3.77%	Move from \$53/term to \$55/term
Student Health Services – OSU-Cascades	5.0%	
Student Health Services-Corvallis	3.57%	
Counseling and Psychological Services-Corvallis		Rolled into Student Health Services figures

As a final point, the UBC expressed an interest in further examination of the distribution practices of the matriculation fee.

In closing, I am grateful for the hard work of the staff of the Office of Budget and Resource Planning as well as the careful deliberations by UBC members.

Sincerely,

Nicole von Germeten
UBC Chair
Professor of History
Associate Dean
College of Liberal Arts
Oregon State University

Appendix 1:

FY25 UBC Membership List

Nicole von Germeten - Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Professor of History - **UBC Chair**

Allison Barr - ASCC Vice President, OSU-Cascades Undergraduate Student, Human Development and Family Sciences, College of Health

Jon Boeckstedt - Vice Provost for Enrollment Management

Cameron Cox - Financial Analyst – Data Analytics, Budget and Resource Planning - *Ex-officio (non-voting)*

Bob Cowen - Associate Vice President for Research and Operations, Hatfield Marine Science Center

Tom DeLuca - Dean, College of Forestry

Jessica Dupont - Executive Director, Market Development and Student Experience, Ecampus

Jonathan Fram - Associate Professor, Ocean Observatories Initiative; Faculty Senate Budgets and Fiscal Planning Committee Chair

Susan Gardner – Dean, College of Education

Carter Glass - Undergraduate Student, Finance, College of Business

La’akea Golis – Undergraduate student, Accountancy & Business Analytics, College of Business

John Gremmels - Capital Planner, Capital Planning and Development; Infrastructure Working Group Representative

Brent Gustafson - Associate Vice President, Budget and Resource Planning - *Ex-officio (non-voting)*

Stephanie Harvey - Financial Officer, College of Agricultural Science

Laurie Hill, Chief Business Office, OSU-Cascades

Steve Hoelscher - Associate Vice Provost for Student Affairs - Finance & Operations

Ray LaPoint - Undergraduate Ecampus student, Psychology, College of Liberal Arts

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Karley Lewis - Interim Director for Budget Development and Analytics - *Ex-officio (non-voting)*
Terri Libert - Director of Business Services and Analytics, OSU-Cascades
Wade Marcum - Senior Associate Dean, College of Engineering; Henry W. and Janice J. Schuette Professor in Nuclear Science and Engineering
Marc Norcross - Associate Professor, School of Biological and Population Health Sciences, College of Health
Sophia Nowers - Student Fees Committee Chair; Undergraduate student, Agricultural Sciences, College of Agricultural Science
Audrey Schlotter - ASOSU President; Undergraduate Student, Environmental Studies, College of Agricultural Science

Appendix 2:

Tuition scenarios voted on by the UBC

A. Higher tuition increase / moderated fee proposal

UG Continuing Student tuition increase of 4.4% / UG New Student increase at 4.9%
 Building fee increase of 44%
 Health/CAPS fee increases of roughly 4-5%

				HECC CALC	4.78%					
				*resident undergraduates						
				HECC (Resident Only)						
Division	Type	Detail	Term(s)	Campus	Only	FY26 Proposed Increase	FY25 \$	FY26 \$	\$INCREASE	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	3.77%	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.00	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	44.07%	\$ 59.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 26.00	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	3.57%	\$ 243.85	\$ 252.56	\$ 8.71	
Undergraduate	Tuition	Continuing Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	4.40%				
Undergraduate	Tuition	New Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	4.90%				
Undergraduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		19.43%	\$ 350.00	\$ 418.01	\$ 68.01	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Cascades		2.50%	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 1.00	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Corvallis		44.07%	\$ 40.00	\$ 57.63	\$ 17.63	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Cascades		5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70	
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Corvallis		5.00%	\$ 214.76	\$ 225.50	\$ 10.74	
Graduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		4.00%	\$ 350.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 14.00	
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Cascades		3.77%	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.00	
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Cascades		2.50%	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 1.00	
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Corvallis		44.07%	\$ 59.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 26.00	
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Corvallis		44.07%	\$ 40.00	\$ 57.63	\$ 17.63	
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year, Summer	Cascades		5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70	
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Corvallis		3.57%	\$ 243.85	\$ 252.56	\$ 8.71	
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Corvallis		5.00%	\$ 214.76	\$ 225.50	\$ 10.74	
Graduate	Tuition	Non-resident	Academic Year	Corvallis, Cascades		4.90%				
Graduate	Tuition	Resident	Academic Year	Corvallis, Cascades		2.00%				
Graduate	Tuition	Resident & Non-resident	Summer	Corvallis, Cascades		4.90%				
Graduate	Tuition	Tuition	Academic Year, Summer	Ecampus		2.00%				

B. Lower tuition increase/fee increases as proposed by Student Affairs

UG Continuing Student tuition increase of 4% UG New Student increase at 4.5%
 Building fee increase of 76%
 Health/CAPS fee increases of roughly 4-5%

					HECC CALC	4.84%			
					*resident undergraduates				
HECC (Resident Only)									
Division	Type	Detail	Term(s)	Campus	HECC (Resident Only)	FY26 Proposed Increase	FY25 \$	FY26 \$	\$INCREASE
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	3.77%	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	76.27%	\$ 59.00	\$ 104.00	\$ 45.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	3.57%	\$ 243.85	\$ 252.56	\$ 8.71
Undergraduate	Tuition	Continuing Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	4.00%			
Undergraduate	Tuition	New Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	4.50%			
Undergraduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		19.43%	\$ 350.00	\$ 418.01	\$ 68.01
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Cascades		2.50%	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 1.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Corvallis		50.00%	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 20.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Cascades		5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Corvallis		5.00%	\$ 214.76	\$ 225.50	\$ 10.74
Graduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		4.00%	\$ 350.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 14.00
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Cascades		3.77%	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.00
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Cascades		2.50%	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 1.00
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Corvallis		76.27%	\$ 59.00	\$ 104.00	\$ 45.00
Graduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Corvallis		50.00%	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 20.00
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year, Summer	Cascades		5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Corvallis		3.57%	\$ 243.85	\$ 252.56	\$ 8.71
Graduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Corvallis		5.00%	\$ 214.76	\$ 225.50	\$ 10.74
Graduate	Tuition	Non-resident	Academic Year	Covallis, Cascades		4.50%			
Graduate	Tuition	Resident	Academic Year	Corvallis, Cascades		2.00%			
Graduate	Tuition	Resident & Non-resident	Summer	Corvallis, Cascades		4.50%			
Graduate	Tuition	Tuition	Academic Year, Summer	Ecampus		2.00%			

C. Maximize tuition within HECC threshold, lower fee increases

UG Continuing Student tuition increase of 4.8% UG New Student increase at 5.3%
 Building fee increase of 20% (consistent with FY25 rate of increase)
 Health/CAPS fee increases of roughly 4-5%

					HECC CALC	4.89%			
					*resident undergraduates				
HECC (Resident Only)									
Division	Type	Detail	Term(s)	Campus	HECC (Resident Only)	FY26 Proposed Increase	FY25 \$	FY26 \$	\$INCREASE
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	3.77%	\$ 53.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	20.00%	\$ 59.00	\$ 70.80	\$ 11.80
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Cascades	Yes	5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Academic Year	Corvallis	Yes	3.57%	\$ 243.85	\$ 252.56	\$ 8.71
Undergraduate	Tuition	Continuing Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	4.80%			
Undergraduate	Tuition	New Student	Academic Year, Summer	All	Yes	5.30%			
Undergraduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		19.43%	\$ 350.00	\$ 418.01	\$ 68.01
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Cascades		2.50%	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 1.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Building Loan/Debt	Summer	Corvallis		20.00%	\$ 40.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 8.00
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Cascades		5.00%	\$ 114.00	\$ 119.70	\$ 5.70
Undergraduate	Fee	Student Health Fee	Summer	Corvallis		5.00%	\$ 214.76	\$ 225.50	\$ 10.74
Graduate	Fee	Matriculation Fee	*One-time charge	All		4.00%	\$ 350.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 14.00
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Graduate	Tuition	Non-resident	Academic Year	Covallis, Cascades		5.30%			
Graduate	Tuition	Resident	Academic Year	Corvallis, Cascades		2.00%			
Graduate	Tuition	Resident & Non-resident	Summer	Corvallis, Cascades		5.30%			
Graduate	Tuition	Tuition	Academic Year, Summer	Ecampus		2.00%			