

FISCAL YEAR 2027 TUITION RATES, MANDATORY FEES AND STUDENT INCIDENTAL FEES

Finance and Administration Committee
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Highlights of Recommendations

- FY2027 recommendation seeks to maximize flexible resources (tuition)
- Mandatory enrollment fee rates are *not* increasing (dedicated funding)
- New Distance Education fee (\$15/SCH)
- Increase in one-time Matriculation Fee, for New Student Onboarding
- Recommendations include the shift of a set of previously *incidental* fees to *mandatory*
- Full package of tuition and fee increases remains below the HECC review threshold

Background

- Board of Trustees has authority to set tuition and fee rates for the university
- Annual process involves
 - Internal shared governance process through the University Budget Committee (UBC)
 - Tuition forums for student engagement
 - Financial analysis and option development
 - President's recommendation to the Board
 - Spring action item for Board decision

Key Process Steps

- **October:** University Budget Committee (UBC) convenes
- **Fall/Winter:** Budget Office prepares projections with varying assumptions, examines options with UBC
- **Fall/Winter:** Student government committees review and make recommendations on student incidental fees
- **Winter:** University tuition forums
- **Dec. to Feb.:** UBC considers scenarios and makes recommendations to OSU leadership
- **March:** President makes recommendation to the Board for discussion and approval

Tuition Increase Considerations

Recent OSU practices

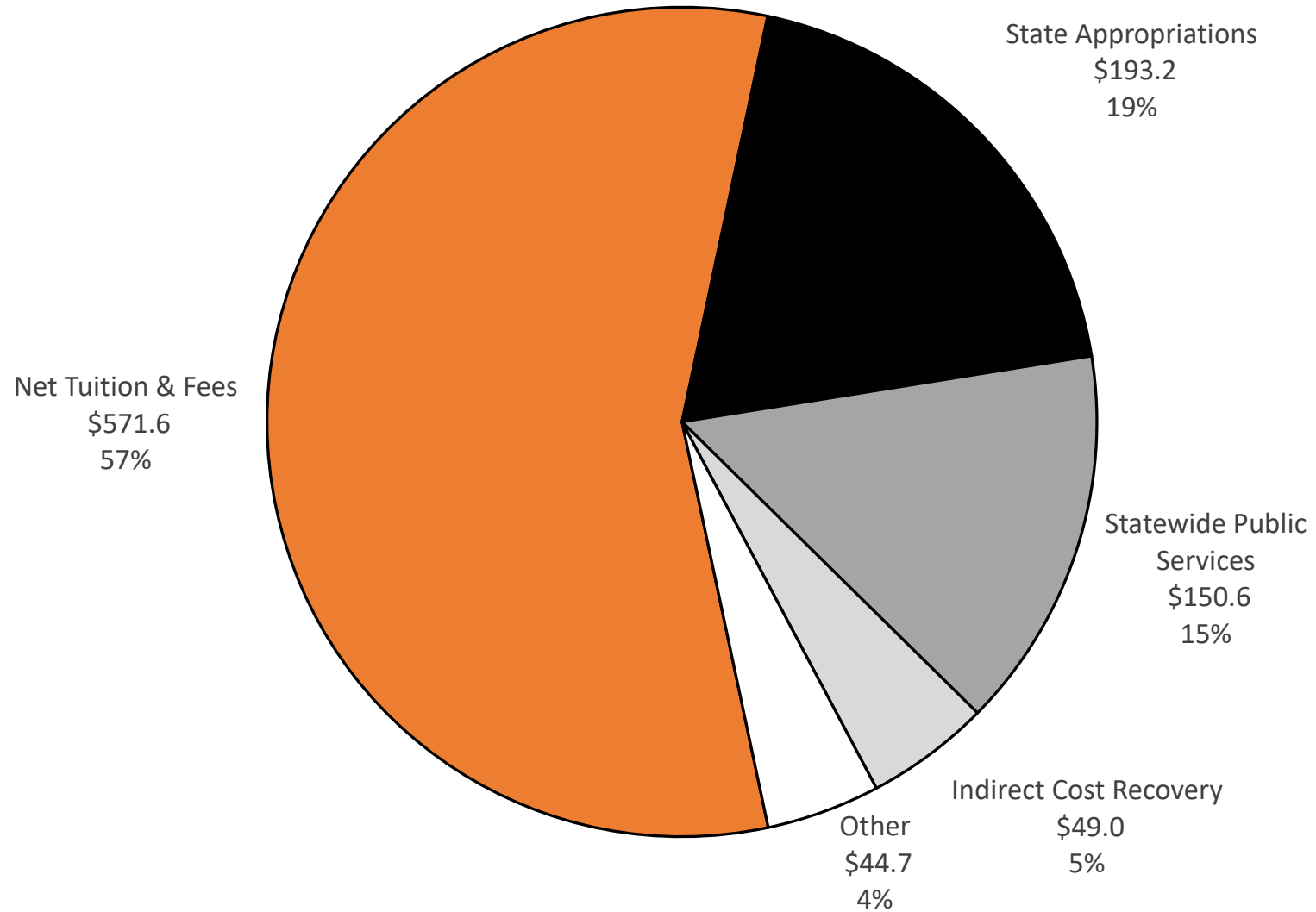
- Board of Trustees goal of limiting the rate of tuition increase to the university's cost increases
- Increases driven principally by salary and benefits costs
- Incoming students' rate set in line with market considerations in cohort tuition model

"Sticker price" differs from what students pay

- Incoming students awarded aid as part of the admissions process
- Returning students' aid not indexed for tuition increases

E&G Budgeted Revenue by Source, FY 2026

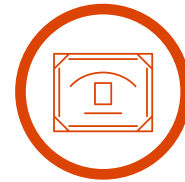
(\$millions)



General OSU Practices



- 2% - 5% tuition increases
- Tuition for continuing students increases at rate of university's inflationary cost increases
- Tuition for students matriculating in next academic year increase at a slightly greater rate than continuing students
- Differential tuition charges increase at continuing student rate



- Monitor rates for incoming students to ensure appropriate & competitive
- Graduate & professional tuition charged on program-by-program basis
- Ecampus is market driven
- Summer tuition has one rate set at resident rate for all incoming students

State of Oregon Limitations

- Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) has statutory authority to approve/disapprove resident undergraduate tuition and mandatory enrollment fee rate increases greater than **5%** (ORS 350.075 (3)(h)B))
- HECC threshold only applies to resident undergraduate rate changes
- HECC threshold applies to tuition and mandatory fees
 - Incidental fees not included
 - Matriculation fee not included
 - Ecampus tuition and fees not included
- Cohort Tuition results in a weighting calculation for HECC limit

Student Engagement

- OSU tuition and fee setting processes engage students in a variety of ways
 - UBC membership: positions for student government representatives (ASOSU, ASCC), at-large, and underrepresented students
 - Tuition forums held for both Corvallis and Cascades campuses
 - Student incidental fee process via respective student governments on each campus

Tuition Recommendations

- Base undergraduate tuition
 - 5.75% returning undergraduates; 6.25% new students
- Undergraduate differential
 - Differentials increase 5.75%; Engineering 9.2%; Honors College no increase
- Graduate and Professional
 - 5.0% base graduate tuition resident and non-resident
 - 5.0% Pharmacy & VetMed, 2.7%-4% OSU-Cascades programs
- Ecampus
 - 2.6% undergraduate; 2.0% graduate
- Summer
 - 5.75%; same rate resident/non-resident

Mandatory Fee Recommendations

	FY26 Rate	FY27 Rate	Annual cost at 12 credits	% increase	
Mandatory fees - Fall/Winter/Spring					
Matriculation fee (Undergraduate)	\$ 418.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	7.66%	Charged once on matriculation
Matriculation fee (Graduate)	\$ 364.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	4.40%	Charged once on matriculation
Matriculation fee - Ecampus	\$ 418.00	\$ 435.00	\$ 435.00	4.07%	Charged once on matriculation
Building fee - Corvallis	\$ 70.80	\$ 70.80	\$ 212.40	0.00%	Charged per quarter,varies by the number of credits in which a student enrolls
Building fee - Cascades	\$ 55.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 164.99	0.00%	Charged per quarter,varies by the number of credits in which a student enrolls
Student health services Corvallis	\$ 172.27	\$ 172.27	\$ 516.81	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Counseling Corvallis	\$ 80.29	\$ 80.29	\$ 240.87	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Cascades	\$ 119.70	\$ 119.70	\$ 359.10	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student Services Fee - Corvallis	\$ 379.27	\$ 379.27	\$ 1,137.81	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student Services Fee - Cascades	\$ 181.09	\$ 181.09	\$ 543.27	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Distance Education fee - Ecampus	\$ -	\$15.00	\$ 345.00	0.00%	Charged per credit, avg Ecampus learner takes 23 credits/year

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Building fee - Corvallis	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 144.00	0.00%	Charged per quarter,varies by the number of credits in which a student enrolls
Building fee - Cascades	\$ 41.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 123.00	0.00%	Charged per quarter,varies by the number of credits in which a student enrolls
Student health services Corvallis	\$ 167.43	\$ 167.43	\$ 502.29	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Counseling Corvallis	\$ 58.07	\$ 58.07	\$ 174.21	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student health services Cascades	\$ 119.70	\$ 119.70	\$ 359.10	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student Services Fee - Corvallis	\$ 48.50	\$ 48.50	\$ 145.50	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Student Services Fee - Cascades	\$ 37.79	\$ 37.79	\$ 113.37	0.00%	Charged per quarter
Distance Education fee - Ecampus	\$ -	\$ 15.00	\$ 345.00	0.00%	Charged per credit, avg Ecampus learner takes 23 credits/year

Incidental Fee Recommendations

Student Incidental Fees				
	<u>FY26 Rate</u>	<u>FY27 Rate</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Fall/Winter/Spring				
Corvallis	\$156.25	\$161.41	\$5.16	3.30%
Cascades	\$215.74	\$206.68	-\$9.06	-4.20%

- Fee recommendations developed by respective campus student fee committees

Preliminary Estimated Budget Impact

(\$millions)	Estimate <u>FY 2026</u>	Estimate <u>FY 2027</u>
Projected net tuition & Fees	548.6	580.9
Marginal revenue		32.3

Estimated impact of rate changes only; does not account for enrollment changes

Undergraduate Tuition– Returning Student Impact

Tuition Changes		
UG Per Credit Cost	<u>Current</u>	<u>5.75%</u>
Oregon Resident	\$275	\$291
Non-Resident	\$819	\$866
UG Per Credit Cost	<u>Current</u>	<u>2.60%</u>
Ecampus	\$384	\$394
Marginal Difference Per Credit		
Oregon Resident		\$16
Non-Resident		\$47
Ecampus		\$10
Full-Year Costs (tuition only)	<u>Current</u>	<u>New</u>
Oregon Resident (45 credits)	\$12,675	\$13,395
Non-Resident (45 credits)	\$37,860	\$39,975
Ecampus (24 credits)	\$9,216	\$9,456

Ecampus shown as 24 credits due to part-time nature of most Ecampus students

FY 2027 Recommendation

- The president recommends that the board approve the resolution in Attachment 1 establishing the academic year 2026-27 and summer 2026 tuition and mandatory fees, at the rates documented in Attachment 1, Exhibit A.
- The principal recommendations are for a 5.75% increase for continuing undergraduates (Corvallis, and OSU-Cascades), a 6.25% increase for new undergraduate students, and a 2.6% increase for Ecampus undergraduates
- Graduate and professional tuition rates are recommended for increases of 2.0% to 5.0%