



SCHOLAR TUITION RATE

Pilot Program

OVERVIEW:

Out-of-state students pay an additional fee referred to as **tuition** that is not assessed to in-state students. High-achieving out-of-state students may now qualify for a discounted ***scholar tuition*** rate.

RATE:

The rate for 2012-2013, is \$3,141 for the Fall or Spring term, versus the regular amount of \$6,576 for 15 credit hours. The rate is flat for Fall and Spring, so that students taking more than 15 credit hours are not assessed an additional per-hour fee. [Note: The scholar rate is not available for the Summer term.]

Undergraduate Out-Of-State Scholar Tuition Rate Fall 2012 and Spring 2013

Additional \$46 per credit hour for Maintenance.				
HOURS	15hrs	16hrs	17hrs	18hrs
Maintenance	2,886	2,932	2,978	3,024
Scholar Tuition	3,141	3,141	3,141	3,141
Program and Service Fee	465	465	465	465
TOTAL	6,492	6,538	6,584	6,630

As this is a pilot program, and as all fees of the University are subject to change, there is no guarantee of continuation of the rate from year to year. Students with questions about the rate may contact the Office of Enrollment Services.

[NOTE: Students who take *all online* classes may be eligible for a discounted tuition rate of \$109 per credit hour known as the **e-rate**. Information on that program may be accessed on the website of the Bursar's Office.]

ELIGIBILITY:

The rate is available to all categories of out-of-state students (i.e., first-time freshmen, returning students, transfer students, etc.). There is no maximum number of semesters for which a student may receive the rate, if the rate is offered and if the student meets the following eligibility requirements **each semester**:

- ✓ Classified as out-of-state for fee payment purposes.
- ✓ Classified as undergraduate.
- ✓ Classified as degree-seeking.
- ✓ Enrolled in 15 or more credit hours for the current Fall or Spring term.
- ✓ Completed all of the eligibility requirements for the previous term, if the scholar rate was received in the previous term. For example, a student who receives the scholar rate in the Fall term, but drops to less than 15 credit hours during that term, is ineligible for the scholar rate in the Spring Term.

- ✓ First-time freshmen must have a 21 ACT (or 980 SAT verbal and math) **and** a high school un-weighted cumulative 3.0 g.p.a. **[Note: Returning and transfer students with fewer than 15 credit hours earned are classified as first-time freshmen for the purpose of assessing this rate only.]**
- ✓ Returning students and transfer students must have a minimum of 15 credit hours earned and a cumulative 3.0 g.p.a. Specifically, if all other applicable eligibility requirements are met:
 - A returning student who did not qualify for the rate upon *entering* the University, but earns 15 credit hours and a cumulative 3.0 g.p.a. while *attending* the University, is eligible for the rate in the semester following the one in which these thresholds are met.
 - A returning student who qualified for the rate upon entering the University, but does not qualify for one or more subsequent semesters, is again eligible for the rate in the semester following the one in which he/she has earned 15 credit hours and he/she has a cumulative 3.0 g.p.a.
 - A transfer student entering the University with a minimum of 15 credit hours earned and a 3.0 g.p.a. is eligible for the rate upon entering the University.

APPEALS

A student may appeal his/her eligibility by documenting: (1) he/she meets all requirements and has not been offered the rate (for reasons of error, grade change, coding change to degree-seeking, etc.); or (2) he/she is a senior who will graduate that semester and the minimum 15 hours is not required to do so.

Appeals will not be considered for any other reason, including registering for classes after the deadline dates in the *Eligibility* section above of August 31, 2012 for Fall, and January 24, 2013 for Spring.

Appeal forms must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Office by the following deadlines in order to be considered: **September 5th** for Fall term, and **January 30th** for Spring term.

No change in fees will be made after the appeals deadlines. For example, if a student drops from 15 credit hours to 3 credit hours during the Fall term, the \$3,141 scholar rate is not adjusted to the regular out-of-state rate, which would be lower in this instance.

APPLICATION AND NOTIFICATION

No application is required to receive this discounted rate. It will be automatically assessed to those who qualify. Students will be notified via U.S. mail and/or email if they are eligible for and/or have received the discounted rate for that semester.