

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2015-_____**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, AMENDMENTS TO
CHAPTER 7, UPDATING TUITION RATES FOR AY 2016-2017**

WHEREAS, District of Columbia law (D.C. Official Code §38-1202.06(8)) provides for the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia (“University”) to fix tuition to be paid by resident and nonresident students attending the University; provided, that such tuition is adopted by the Trustees in accordance with the provisions of D.C. Official Code §2-505(a); and

WHEREAS, the University consists of a flagship urban land-grant university offering a broad range of academic and professional programs including a community college offering workforce development opportunities, academic certifications and academic associate degrees and a law school whose mission is to recruit and enroll students from groups under-represented at the bar, provide a well-rounded theoretical and practical legal education that will enable students to be effective and ethical advocates, and represent the legal needs of low-income District of Columbia residents through the school's legal clinics; and

WHEREAS, the University is trying to avoid sporadic, significant tuition increases and trying instead to maintain existing cost structure consistent with the rate of inflation by implementing consistent incremental increases; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Year 2016-2017 tuition rate will be increased by 2.6% based on the calendar year 2014 rate of Consumer Price Index of 1.6%;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby takes proposed rulemaking action to amend Chapter 7 of the University Rules (Title 8B DCMR) to increase tuition to the rates as indicated in the attached Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Counsel is hereby directed to publish this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the D.C. Register as soon as is practicable for a comment period of not less than thirty (30) days, in accordance with the provisions of D.C. Official Code §2-505 (a).

Submitted by the Audit, Budget, and Finance Committee

April 1, 2015

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

Date

Elaine A. Crider
Chairperson of the Board

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia pursuant to the authority set forth under the District of Columbia Public Postsecondary Education Reorganization Act Amendments (Act) effective January 2, 1976 (D.C. Law 1-36; D.C. Official Code §§ 38-1202.01(a); 38-1202.06(3),(13) (2001 & 2011 Supp.) hereby gives notice of its intent to amend chapter 7 (Admissions and Academic Standards) of subtitle B (University of the District of Columbia) of title 8 (Higher Education) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*.

The purpose of the proposed rule is to adjust tuition rates for degree granting programs beginning in the fall semester of 2016. The Board of Trustees will take final action to adopt these amendments to the University Rules in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*.

Chapter 7, ADMISSIONS AND ACADEMIC STANDARDS, of subtitle B, UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, of title 8, HIGHER EDUCATION, is amended as follows:

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.1 is amended as follows:

728.1 The following tuition and fees have been approved by the Board of Trustees consistent with D.C. Official Code § 38-1202.06(8):

728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.2 is amended as follows:

728.2	COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS	<u>Per Credit Hour</u>
	Washington, D.C. Residents	\$105.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$177.00
	All Other Residents	\$298.00

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.3 is amended as follows:

728.3	FLAGSHIP BACCALAUREATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS	<u>Per Credit Hour</u>
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Washington, D.C. Residents	\$291.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	\$336.00
All Other Residents	\$610.00

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.4 is amended as follows:

728.4	FLAGSHIP GRADUATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS	
		<u>Per Credit Hour</u>
	Washington, D.C. Residents	\$461.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$521.00
	All Other Residents	\$886.00

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.5 is amended as follows:

728.5	DAVID A. CLARKE SCHOOL OF LAW DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS FULL TIME PROGRAM STUDENTS (FALL & SPRING SEMESTERS ONLY)	
		<u>Per Semester</u>
	Washington, D.C. Residents	\$5,585.00
	All Other Residents	\$11,169.00

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.6 is amended as follows:

728.6	DAVID A. CLARKE SCHOOL OF LAW DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS ALL OTHER STUDENTS	
		<u>Per Credit Hour</u>
	Washington, D.C. Residents	\$379.00
	All Other Residents	\$757.00

Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.7 is amended as follows:

- 728.7 Definitions
- (a) Full-Time Students. Any undergraduate or community student enrolled in at least twelve (12) credits hours per semester, or any graduate student enrolled in at least nine (9) credit hours per semester, shall be considered a full-time student for the purposes of calculation of tuition in accordance with this chapter. Full-time undergraduate and community college students shall be charged tuition for each semester in which they are enrolled in the

amount of twelve (12) credit hours, regardless of the number of credit hours actually taken. Full-time graduate students shall be charged tuition for each semester in which they are enrolled in the amount of nine (9) credit hours, regardless of the number of credit hours actually taken.

- (b) Metropolitan Area Residents. Any individual who can establish residency in one of the following counties shall be considered a Metropolitan Area Resident: Montgomery County, Maryland; Prince George's County, Maryland; Arlington County, Virginia; Alexandria County, Virginia; Fairfax County, Virginia. The standards used to establish residency shall be the same standards used to establish residency for District residents.

All persons desiring to comment on the subject matter of the proposed rulemaking should file comments in writing not later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register. Comments should be filed with the Office of General Counsel, Building 39- Room 301-Q, University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008. Comments may also be submitted by email to smills@udc.edu. Individuals wishing to comment by email must include the phrase "Comment to Proposed Rulemaking: Tuition " in the subject line.



Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Donald L. Rickford
Chief Financial Officer

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: The Board of Trustees

FROM: Office of the Chief Financial Officer (UDC)

DATE: March 25, 2015

SUBJECT: Proposed Tuition Increase – Academic Year 2017

Conclusion

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer of the University of the District of Columbia has projected that the 2.6% tuition increase which is based on the change in the Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers 12-Month Percent Change (1.6%) for 2014 (CPI-U) plus 1% will generate approximately \$700,000 additional tuition revenue for the Academic Year (AY) 2017-2018. The assumption is based on estimated AY 2016 frozen enrollment data and assumes flat enrollment projections for AY 2017.

Background

The proposed tuition increase resolution is to implement a 2.6% tuition increase for the University of the District of Columbia beginning with the Fall 2017 semester. The proposed increase is consistent with the approved Board of Trustees policy on tuition increases.

Financial Impact

AY 2017 Student Headcount & FTE

AY2017			
Total by Level	Headcount	FTE	Projected Tuition
Associate	2,532	1,604	6,140,218
Baccalaureate	1,959	1,570	15,140,786
Graduate	312	265	3,556,920
Law	315	275	4,712,317
Total	5,118	3,714	29,550,241

Proposed Tuition Schedule

Tuition Type	Location	Status	Fall 2016 Fee Schedule	Proposed Fall 2017 Fee Schedule	Increase Amount per Credit Hour
Resident	Flagship	Undergraduate ¹	\$283.38	\$290.75	\$7.37
Metropolitan	Flagship	Undergraduate ¹	\$327.80	\$336.32	\$8.52
Non-Resident	Flagship	Undergraduate ¹	\$594.30	\$609.75	\$15.45
Resident	Flagship	Graduate ²	\$448.91	\$460.58	\$11.67
Metropolitan	Flagship	Graduate ²	\$508.12	\$521.33	\$13.21
Non-Resident	Flagship	Graduate ²	\$863.46	\$885.91	\$22.45
Resident	Community College	Undergraduate ¹	\$102.50	\$105.17	\$2.67
Metropolitan	Community College	Undergraduate ¹	\$172.20	\$176.68	\$4.48
Non-Resident	Community College	Undergraduate ¹	\$290.08	\$297.62	\$7.54
Resident	School of Law- Full Time	Professional ³	\$5,443	\$5,585	\$142 ³
Non-Resident	School of Law- Full Time	Professional ³	\$10,886	\$11,169	\$283 ³
Resident	School of Law - Part-Time	Professional	\$369.00	\$378.59	\$9.59
Non-Resident	School of Law - Part-Time	Professional	\$738.00	\$757.19	\$19.19
Note:					
1 Undergraduate Tuition capped at 12 hrs.					
2 Graduate Tuition capped at 9 hrs.					
3 Law School Increase per semester					

Risks and Mitigation

Risk Assumptions	Mitigation Strategies
Higher Tuition rate may negatively impact enrollment and tuition.	Research indicates low to moderate fiscal impact on the correlation of tuition increase and decline in enrollment and retention.

University of the District of Columbia

FY17 (AY16-17) Tuition Increase Worksheet

Calculation of Percentage Tuition Increase Per Board Resolution 2012-27

December 2014 CPI (12 month)	1.60
Plus one (1%) Percent per Board Resolution 2012-27	1.00
Recommended Percentage Tuition Increase FY17 (AY16-17)	2.60

Calculation of Tuition Increase

	Current Tuition per Board Resolution 2014-21	Recommended Tuition Increase	Proposed Tuition Rates FY17 (AY16-17)
COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS			
Washington, D.C. Residents	102.50	2.60%	105.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	172.20	2.60%	177.00
All Other Residents	290.08	2.60%	298.00
FLAGSHIP BACCALAUREATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS			
Washington, D.C. Residents	283.38	2.60%	291.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	327.80	2.60%	336.00
All Other Residents	594.30	2.60%	610.00
FLAGSHIP GRADUATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS			
Washington, D.C. Residents	448.91	2.60%	461.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	508.12	2.60%	521.00
All Other Residents	863.46	2.60%	886.00
LAW SCHOOL - FULL TIME PROGRAM STUDENTS (FALL & SPRING SEMESTERS ONLY)			
Washington, D.C. Residents	5,443.00	2.60%	5,585.00
All Other Residents	10,886.00	2.60%	11,169.00
LAW SCHOOL - ALL OTHER STUDENTS			
Washington, D.C. Residents	369.00	2.60%	379.00
All Other Residents	738.00	2.60%	757.00

CPI Detailed Report

Data for December 2014

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Scheduled release dates

Consumer Price Index data are scheduled for initial release on the following dates:

<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>	<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>
January	February 26	April	May 22
February	March 24	May	June 18
March	April 17	June	July 17

CONSUMER PRICE MOVEMENTS DECEMBER 2014

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) declined 0.4 percent in December on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 0.8 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The gasoline index continued to fall sharply, declining 9.4 percent and leading to the decrease in the seasonally adjusted all items index. The fuel oil index also fell sharply, and the energy index posted its largest one-month decline since December 2008, although the indexes for natural gas and for electricity both increased. The food index, in contrast, rose 0.3 percent, its largest increase since September.

The index for all items less food and energy was unchanged in December, following a 0.2 percent increase in October and a 0.1 percent rise in November. This was only the second time since 2010 that it did not increase. The shelter index continued to rise, and the index for medical care posted its largest increase since August 2013. However, these increases were offset by declines in a broad array of indexes including apparel, airline fares, used cars and trucks, household furnishings and operations, and new vehicles.

The all items index increased 0.8 percent over the last 12 months. This is notably lower than the 1.3 percent change for the 12 months ending November. The energy index has declined 10.6 percent over the span. In contrast, the 3.4 percent increase in the food index is its largest 12-month increase since February 2012. The index for all items less food and energy has increased 1.6 percent over the last 12 months, its smallest 12-month change since the 12 months ending February 2014.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month							Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Dec. 2014
	June 2014	July 2014	Aug. 2014	Sep. 2014	Oct. 2014	Nov. 2014	Dec. 2014	
All items .....	.3	.1	-.2	.1	.0	-.3	-.4	.8
Food .....	.1	.4	.2	.3	.1	.2	.3	3.4
Food at home .....	.0	.4	.2	.3	.1	.1	.3	3.7
Food away from home ¹ .....	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.4	.3	3.0
Energy	1.6	-.3	-2.6	-.7	-1.9	-3.8	-4.7	-10.6
Energy commodities	3.0	-.3	-3.9	-1.1	-3.0	-6.4	-9.1	-20.5
Gasoline (all types)	3.3	-.3	-4.1	-1.0	-3.0	-6.6	-9.4	-21.0
Fuel oil ¹	-1.7	-.7	-1.2	-2.1	-4.0	-3.5	-7.8	-19.1
Energy services	-.4	-.4	-.6	-.2	-.2	-.3	1.0	3.7
Electricity .....	.2	-.3	.1	-.7	.5	.1	.8	3.1
Utility (pipel) gas service	-2.6	-.4	-2.8	1.6	-2.7	-1.7	1.5	5.8
All items less food and energy .....	.1	.1	.0	.1	.2	.1	.0	1.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.1	.0	-.1	.0	.0	-.4	-.3	-.8
New vehicles	-.3	.3	.2	.0	.2	-.1	-.1	.5
Used cars and trucks	-.4	-.3	-.3	-.1	-.9	-1.2	-1.2	-4.2
Apparel .....	.5	.2	-.2	.0	-.2	-1.1	-1.2	-2.0
Medical care commodities .....	.7	.3	-.1	.5	.0	.6	1.0	4.8
Services less energy services .....	.1	.1	.0	.2	.3	.2	.1	2.4
Shelter .....	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	2.9
Transportation services .....	.1	-.7	-.6	.1	.8	.3	-.5	1.7
Medical care services .....	.0	.1	.0	.1	.2	.4	.3	2.4

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for December 2014

Food

The food index rose 0.3 percent in December after a 0.2 percent increase in November. The index for food at home rose 0.3 percent with five of the six major grocery store food groups increasing. The index for dairy and related products posted the largest increase, rising 0.6 percent after declining in November. The fruits and vegetables index rose 0.4 percent, with the fresh vegetables index rising 2.4 percent but the index for fresh fruits declining 1.3 percent. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs increased 0.3 percent as the index for beef and veal continued to rise, advancing 0.7 percent. The index for other food at home increased 0.3 percent, and the cereals and bakery products index advanced 0.2 percent. The nonalcoholic beverages index, in contrast, declined in December,