

ESTIMATED COSTS TO LIMIT TUITION RATE INCREASES

This memorandum provides an overview of legislative appropriations to limit tuition rate increases during the 2009-11 and 2011-13 bienniums and the current estimated costs to limit future tuition rate increases.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS TO LIMIT TUITION RATE INCREASES

The 2009 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$8,215,467 from the general fund to limit tuition rate increases at North Dakota University System institutions during the 2009-10 and 2010-11 academic years. The amount of funding provided to each campus was estimated to limit tuition increases to 4 percent per year at four-year institutions and to provide for no tuition rate increases at two-year institutions. Section 30 of 2009 Senate Bill 2003 provided that the State Board of Higher Education could not increase tuition rates for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 academic years by more than 4 percent each year.

The 2011 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$15,240,565 from the general fund for a campus equity and student affordability funding pool. The State Board of Higher Education was to allocate funds from the pool to campuses for equity payments and to limit tuition rate increases during the 2011-12 and 2012-13 academic years. The funding pool was based on the executive budget recommendation to provide \$10 million for equity payments to campuses and \$6.6 million to limit tuition rate increases to 2.5 percent per year at four-year institutions and to provide for no tuition increases at two-year institutions.

RECENT TUITION RATE INCREASES

The schedule below details tuition rate increases at each North Dakota University System institution since the 2009-10 academic year:

North Dakota University System - Tuition Rate Increases						
Institution	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	
Bismarck State College	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%
Lake Region State College	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%
Williston State College	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
University of North Dakota (UND)	3.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	3.7%	
North Dakota State University	3.5%	3.5%	8.8%	0.0%	3.3%	
North Dakota State College of Science	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	
Dickinson State University	3.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	4.0%	
Mayville State University	3.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	3.6%	
Minot State University	3.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	
Valley City State University	3.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	3.9%	
Dakota College at Bottineau	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	

CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS TO LIMIT TUITION RATE INCREASES

The schedule below details the estimated costs to limit tuition rate increases at North Dakota University System institutions based on the 2013-15 biennium budget:

Estimated Biennial Costs to Limit Tuition Rate Increases (Based on the 2013-15 Biennium Budget)					
Institution	Reduce Tuition Rate Increase by 1 Percent Each Year of the Biennium	Reduce Tuition Rate Increase by 2 Percent Each Year of the Biennium	Reduce Tuition Rate Increase by 3 Percent Each Year of the Biennium	Reduce Tuition Rate Increase by 4 Percent Each Year of the Biennium	Reduce Tuition Rate Increase by 5 Percent Each Year of the Biennium
Bismarck State College	\$387,688	\$775,376	\$1,163,064	\$1,550,752	\$1,938,440
Lake Region State College	131,153	262,306	393,459	524,612	655,765
Williston State College	51,353	102,706	154,059	205,412	256,765
University of North Dakota	2,379,016	4,758,032	7,137,048	9,516,064	11,895,080
UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences	422,372	844,744	1,267,116	1,689,488	2,111,860
North Dakota State University	2,544,771	5,089,542	7,634,313	10,179,084	12,723,855
North Dakota State College of Science	228,760	457,520	686,280	915,040	1,143,800
Dickinson State University	222,433	444,866	667,299	889,732	1,112,165
Mayville State University	112,344	224,688	337,032	449,376	561,720
Minot State University	412,943	825,886	1,238,829	1,651,772	2,064,715
Valley City State University	145,813	291,626	437,439	583,252	729,065
Dakota College at Bottineau	51,353	102,706	154,059	205,412	256,765
Total	\$7,089,999	\$14,179,998	\$21,269,997	\$28,359,996	\$35,449,995