



March 21, 2025

Re: Proposed Tuition Rate Adjustments and Student Fee Recommendations

Dear Chair Covington,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide some information supporting Utah State University’s request for changes to our Institution Tuition and student fees.

As you know, as Utah’s Land Grant Institution, Utah State University (USU) has many missions, roles, and campuses specific to these missions and roles. This year, our tuition request relates to our Logan and statewide campuses but no increase is being requested for technical education. Our fee increases are specific to our Logan Campus only and will not be applicable to our statewide campuses or technical education programs.

Tuition:

The Utah State University Board of Trustees and President recommend a total tuition increase of 2.68%. This equates to:

Legislative Compensation Increase Match	1.60%
Faculty Promotion and Tenure Increase	1.08%
Total	2.68%

The increase will impact per semester tuition for our students as follows:

	Proposed Increase	Current Full Time Tuition	Proposed Full Time Tuition
Resident Undergraduate Student	\$102.20	\$3,813.32	\$3,915.52
Non-Resident Undergraduate Student	\$322.41	\$12,029.89	\$12,352.30



Resident Graduate Student	\$102.39	\$3,820.44	\$3,922.83
Non-Resident Graduate Student	\$351.31	\$13,108.44	\$13,459.75

The Board and President make these recommendations for the following reasons:

I. Justification:

Utah State Board of Higher Education (USHE) policy permits tuition increases to:

1. Match legislative funding for compensation and other mandatory costs
2. As an offset for a reduction in student fees defensibly maintained as a cost to every student assessed at registration; and
3. To increase revenue for specific institutional needs

USU's tuition increase requests are directly in line with these identified reasons for tuition increases. Specifically, the 1.60% increase to match the legislatively approved compensation increase is an identified reason that will necessitate tuition increase. The additional 1.08% increase is necessary to meet the institutional needs associated with the increase in costs that will result from the natural and required promotion of faculty as they increase in expertise and experience. Absent the ability to promote our most excellent faculty members, we would lose those individuals to other institutions and the quality of the education USU can provide to students will suffer.

These requested tuition increases are not intended to generate revenue to offset the previously enacted USHE tuition freezes or access/affordability measures. Additionally, these tuition increase requests are not intended to and will not generate revenue to offset the recently enacted legislative budget reductions and reallocations.

These tuition increase requests have been rigorously scrutinized to ensure they meet specific institutional needs. Both the Board and the President feel they are justifiable to meet the needs of the institution and that they will create value by ensuring we continue to attract and provide the most qualified and effective faculty for our students.

II. Alternative Funding Analysis:

USU has explored all possible funding sources to meet these University needs. Because of the specific needs that will be met by the proposed funds (i.e. faculty and staff salary), there are no additional or alternative funding sources.



III. Affordability Impact and Value Creation:

USU has evaluated the impact these proposed tuition increases will have on the affordability of an education at USU. We have evaluated both the recent impact of inflation and our value in comparison to the other institutions in the state and our value compared with our peer institutions across the country. Based upon this analysis, the Board and President have determined that these proposed increases will not adversely impact the affordability of the educational opportunities provided by USU but rather will help us maintain and grow the value USU provides. Absent these increases, our ability to maintain and attract quality staff and faculty would be greatly hindered and would decrease the value of the education USU provides.

IV. Compliance with Policy:

The USU Board of Trustees and President are satisfied that the recommended tuition changes comply with Board Policy R510 and were approved consistent with the process provided in Board Policy R511.

Fees:

The Utah State University Board of Trustees and President recommends a total general student fee increase of 1.99% for our Logan Campus. This equates to:

Aggie Shuttle Fee	\$3.46
Music and Theater Fee	\$6.60
Student Nutrition Access Center (SNAC)	\$6.00
Compensation increases	\$2.52
Total	\$18.58

The increase will impact per semester student fees for our Logan Campus as follows:



	Current	Fee Board	Reallocation	Compensation	Proposed	
					Rate	%
Activity	\$75.24			\$0.86	\$76.10	1.1%
Building	311.92		-\$27.36		284.56	-8.8%
Athletics	230.56				230.56	0.0%
Aggie Shuttle	41.08	\$3.46			44.54	8.4%
Technology	113.44				113.44	0.0%
Campus Recreation	75.40		27.36	1.56	104.32	38.4%
Library	64.02				64.02	0.0%
Music & Theater	21.26	6.60		0.10	27.96	31.5%
Student Nutrition Access Center	New	6.00			6.00	New
TOTAL	\$932.92	\$16.06	\$0.00	\$2.52	\$951.50	1.99%

In approving and making this recommendation, the USU Board of Trustees and President determined the following, consistent with the USHE established requirements for each of these proposed Student Fee increases:

- These proposed fees are general student fees, will benefit students broadly, and will support student enrichment and success as a campus community.
- These proposed fees will not fund instruction, academic support, general administrative expenses, or other expenses that should reasonably be covered with state appropriations, tuition, or user fees.
- The USU Student Fee Board considered all alternative funding sources that could be utilized before proposing and recommending these fee increases and found that all alternative funding sources are being utilized to the extent possible, and these fees are needed to support student needs, and success.
- The Student Fee Board and student body generally, rigorously scrutinized these requests to ensure they are justifiable, reasonable, benefit students, and are defensibly charged as a cost to every student assessed at registration.
- These proposed general fee increases are not intended to generate revenue to offset previously enacted Board of Higher Education fee freezes or access/affordability measures. Additionally, these proposed general fee increases are not intended and will not be used to generate revenue to offset legislative budget reductions or reallocations.

To expound on the above factors related to three of these fees, the USU Board of Trustees and President want to highlight the following:

Aggie Shuttle: This increase is needed to replace aging shuttle buses. The Student Fee Board decided to implement the needed increase over a three-year period rather than all at once in the same year.

Music and Theater Fee Increase: This particular fee has not been increased for nine years. This fee simply matches the inflation rate from August 2016 through August 2024.



Student Nutrition Access Center (SNAC): The Student Fee Board engaged in a very rigorous process in deciding to move forward with this particular fee recommendation. The proposal for this new fee arises out of a growing and significant concern related to the lack of access to adequate nutritional food for many of our students. In making the recommendation for this fee, the Student Fee Board recognizes that this service is not needed by all students at all times, but could become necessary for any student at any time. The SNAC is an existing resource for students that, until now, has relied on private donations, including a new endowment, coordination with the local food pantry, and efforts to connect students with other resources. However, they have found that these resources have not been and will not be sufficient to meet the need. After surveying students, and putting this issue on the student election ballot, this proposal received overwhelming support. If, in the future, we reach a point where private endowments become sufficient, or need decreases, this proposed fee can and would be reduced or removed.

The USU Board of Trustees and President support the Student Fee Board in this request to meet the needs of the students identified by the students.

Please know, we as the Board of Trustees and President, take our responsibility to oversee and care for this institution very seriously. The responsibility to balance the needs of our students, faculty and staff, with careful use of student paid and public funds is something that is always front of mind.

Thank you so much for your consideration of our recommendations.

Sincerely,

Jacey Skinner
Chair
Board of Trustees

Alan L. Smith
President



ITEM FOR ACTION

Proposal to Modify Student Fees

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

All general student fees are subject to Utah Board of Higher Education approval in conjunction with the annual approval of tuition rates. The University has five different areas that assess general student fees. The Interim President's recommendation for each area is described below.

Logan Campus:

Rate changes/new fee

\$3.00 New fee: SNAC (Student Nutrition Access Center) fee
\$1.73 Increase: Aggie Shuttle fee
\$3.30 Increase: Music & Theater
\$8.03

Internal adjustment

\$13.68 Reallocation from Building fee to Campus Recreation for staffing and related operational costs for the Aggie Recreation Center

Compensation

\$0.43 Activity fee
\$0.78 Campus Recreation fee
\$0.05 Music & Theater
\$1.26

This results in an increase of \$9.29 or a 1.99% overall increase.

Statewide Campuses: No proposed change

USU Eastern Campus: No proposed change

Blanding Campus: No proposed change

Technical Education : No proposed change

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above proposals, the Interim President recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the implementation of student fee changes effective Fall Semester 2025.

**RESOLUTION
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

WHEREAS, all general student fees are subject to Utah Board of Higher Education approval in conjunction with annual approval of tuition rates; and

WHEREAS, the Logan Campus Student Fee Board has approved increases of \$1.73 for the Aggie Shuttle fee and \$3.30 for the Music & Theater fee; and

WHEREAS, with the support of the Logan Campus Student Fee Board, a referendum for a new fee in the amount of \$3.00 for the Student Nutrition Access Center (SNAC) was voted on and approved by the Logan Campus student body; and

WHEREAS, a reallocation is required of \$13.68 from the Building fee to the Campus Recreation fee for staffing and related operational costs for the Aggie Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, increases for compensation are needed in the amounts of \$0.43 for the Activity fee, \$0.78 for the Campus Recreation fee, and \$0.05 for the Music & Theater fee; and

WHEREAS, no changes are proposed for Statewide Campuses, USU Eastern Campus, Blanding Campus, or Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, the proposal has the approval of the Interim President of Utah State University:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the USU Board of Trustees hereby approves the implementation of student fee changes effective Fall Semester 2025 and that this approval be forwarded to the Utah Board of Higher Education for its approval.

RESOLUTION APPROVED BY THE USU BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Signature of Chair Skinner or designee

Date approved

JAN 23 2025

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT & LEADERSHIP

UtahStateUniversity.

January 23, 2025

President Elizabeth Cantwell
Utah State University
UMC 1400
Logan, Utah 84322-1400

Dear President Cantwell,

The Logan Campus Student Fee Board convened on January 15, 2025, to hear presentations for three proposed student fee requests: one new fee and two fee increases. After thorough discussion and deliberation, the board finalized its recommendations on January 22, 2025. Below is a summary of the recommendations:

Logan Main Campus

1. Student Nutrition Access Center (SNAC) – New Fee Request

SNAC initially proposed a \$3 per semester fee to fund its operations, stabilize and expand inventory (including fresh produce, grains, and dairy), and reduce reliance on outside agencies. This initiative aims to enhance students' physical, mental, and academic well-being.

During the review process, SNAC clarified that their original request of \$3 per semester was insufficient due to a miscalculation of the annual funds it would generate. As a result, they revised their request to \$6 per semester. The students supported the buy-in aspect of a new fee and the sustained source of funding for this resource. After receiving additional input from the USU leadership committee, the Student Fee Board supported a \$3 per semester fee.

This proposal will now be presented to the general student body as a referendum during the USUSA elections at the end of February. If approved by the student body, the board will recommend the fee to you for final approval.

2. Aggie Shuttle – Fee Increase Request

The Aggie Shuttle requested a \$1.73 per semester increase, bringing the total fee to \$24 per student. This increase will fund the replacement of aging buses and improvements to reliability, accessibility, and safety, while addressing inflationary costs associated with bus procurement and maintenance.

The Student Fee Board approved the \$1.73 increase.

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3. Music and Theater – Fee Increase Request

The Caine College of the Arts (CCA) requested a \$4 per semester increase to the Music and Theater fee to account for a 31% inflation rate since their last adjustment in 2016. The current fee of \$10.63 provides free admission to theatre, music, exhibition, and art events for students, while also supporting performances by the pep band, marching band, and the Scotsman Pipe and Drum Corps. The increase will ensure these opportunities continue despite rising costs and will enhance the student experience while strengthening the college's reputation, recruitment, and retention efforts.

The Student Fee Board approved an increase of \$3.30.

Statewide Campuses

On January 17, 2025, the Statewide Campus Student Fee Board determined and voted to make no changes to the current regional campus student fee amounts.

Both the Logan Campus and Statewide Campuses Student Fee Boards appreciate the opportunity to evaluate and provide input on the use of student fees. Thank you for considering these recommendations. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Brooklyn Ward

USUSA Executive Vice President

Chair, Logan Campus and Statewide Campuses Student Fee Boards



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TO: Utah Board of Higher Education
FROM: Snow College Board of Trustees Chair, Rick Robinson
DATE: March 10, 2025
SUBJECT: 2025-26 Tuition and Fees

Thank you for your interest in our tuition and fee decision. On February 12, 2025, the Board of Trustees discussed preliminary tuition and fee numbers. The administration presented a 0-3.5% increase in tuition and a reallocation of student fees. President McIlff noted the only reason the college would increase tuition would be to account for mandatory increases in compensation costs, and the trustees supported that approach.

Student leaders and college leadership held a Truth-in-Tuition hearing on February 28, 2025, where students supported the 0-3.5% tuition increase and the fee reallocation. Now that the legislative session has concluded and numbers are more finalized, the administration has reviewed compensation costs and will recommend a 2.98% tuition increase during the March 13, 2025, Board of Trustees meeting. The administration will also recommend a reallocation of, but no increase in, student fees. This falls within the 0-3.5% range discussed with the board during February, and I anticipate unanimous support.

Snow College is committed to providing an affordable education to all students, and we take seriously our mission to prepare students for their futures. This modest increase (<\$75 for both residential tuition and fees) will allow the college to meet the mandated costs for a quality education while maintaining affordability and access.

The board, again, appreciates your consideration of our recommendation. We express our thanks to President McIlff, Student Body President Heywood, and the administration for their thorough and transparent work with both of our campuses.

February 26, 2025

Utah System of Higher Education
Two Gateway
60 South 400 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1284

Dear Members of the Utah System of Higher Education,

My name is Sarah Heywood and I am the current Student Body President at Snow College. My purpose is to express my support for the proposed tuition increase of 0-3.5% at Snow College, as well as keeping student fees the same amount as it was this previous year. I believe these adjustments are essential to ensuring the continued success and well-being of Snow College students.

Snow College has always demonstrated a commitment to providing a high-quality education experience for all students while providing an enriching academic environment. In order to maintain a positive educational experience, I firmly believe that the decisions made to increase tuition are necessary. The Student Fee Advisory Board was able to reallocate and remove non-essential fees to maintain the same price for this next year. I am pleased to convey that meeting with Snow College students and student leaders, they are also in favor of these proposed adjustments. We understand the importance of tuition and fees and the benefits they bring to our institution. I believe this will not only benefit current students, but also future students as improvements and enhancements are made.

I encourage the Utah System of Higher Education Board of Regents to carefully consider and approve the proposed tuition increase and student fee reallocations for Snow College. By doing so, we can collectively contribute to the sustained success and growth of this esteemed institution. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I appreciate the dedication of the Board of Regents to improve and enhance higher education in our state.

Sincerely,
Sarah Heywood
Student Body President 2024-2025



March 7, 2025

Utah Board of Higher Education
60 South 400 West
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Dear Utah Board of Higher Education:

On March 7, 2025, the Utah Tech University Board of Trustees voted in support of a 2.4% base tuition increase and a 5.05% student fee increase for the 2025-2026 academic year. For full-time Utah resident undergraduate students, tuition would increase \$65 per semester, resulting in a total tuition price of \$2,783 per semester. For full-time nonresident undergraduate students, tuition would increase \$208 per semester, resulting in a total tuition price of \$8,895 per semester. Student fees for a full-time student would increase by \$22, for a total of \$458 per semester. The total combined tuition and fees per semester will increase by \$87 for full-time resident students and \$230 for full-time nonresident students.

Revenue from the proposed tuition increase would be implemented by Utah Tech as follows:

Description	Amount	% Increase
Legislative Match for Compensation and Mandated Increases	\$613,000	1.40%
Faculty Rank Advancements	\$250,000	0.57%
Part-Time Faculty Compensation	\$187,000	0.43%
Total	\$1,050,000	2.40%

The Board of Trustees supports Utah Tech's effort to maintain access and affordability for students while balancing the financial needs of a growing university. After this tuition increase is implemented, Utah Tech anticipates continuing to offer the lowest resident tuition rate among Utah's four public regional universities and among the approved list of peer institutions for Utah Tech.

Sincerely,



Tiffany L. Wilson
Chair, Utah Tech University Board of Trustees



March 5, 2025

Dear Utah Board of Higher Education:

The Utah Tech University Student Fee Advisory Board conducted a very successful review process this year. As a committee, we reviewed all current student fees. We have made our recommendation for fee adjustments to the Utah Tech Board of Trustees.

During the 2024-2025 academic year, full-time students at Utah Tech were charged a student fee of \$436.00 per semester. Keeping the purpose of student fees in mind and balancing the needs of the student body, we are recommending an increase of 5.05%, which will result in \$22.00 additional student fees charged per semester – for a new total of \$458.00 per semester. The recommended changes include \$22.00 for the new Student Union Building currently in planning, \$1.75 for increases to full-time and part-time employee salaries and benefits, \$4.00 for expanded UTSA club support, \$3.50 for a new Student Resource Fee to increase access to the Blazer Pantry and other basic needs for students, and a \$9.25 reduction resulting from the elimination of the Institute of Politics and Student Inclusion fees and a small reduction to the Athletics fee.

As a reminder, a referendum was held on February 5th and 6th, 2024, in which the student body voted 64.5% in favor of increasing the New Student Union Building by \$89.00 per semester over four years. The \$22.00 increase recommended for 2025-2026 represents the second phase of the four-year increase.

The proposed student fee adjustment was presented to students in a public forum on March 4th, 2025. In the same forum, a Truth in Tuition hearing was also held to present a proposed 2.4% tuition increase. The presentations outlined why these changes are necessary to improve our institution and the student experience on campus. Attendees were given the opportunity to ask questions at the conclusion of each presentation.

There is a definitive need for the tuition and fee increases that have been recommended. Following approval of the proposal by the Utah Tech Board of Trustees, it is our hope that this tuition and fee increase be approved for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Best,

Bella Estes

2024-2025 UTSA President and Chair of the Student Fee Advisory Board



Bella Estes (She/Her)
Student Body President

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SB: 250224-01

Sponsor: Nathan McKnight, Senator of Engagement and Belonging

Co-Sponsor(s): Caden Schaefer, College of Arts and Humanities Senator

A Bill Pertaining to the Truth in Tuition Hearing

WHEREAS: The Weber State University Administration presented the Truth in Tuition plan for the 2025-2026 academic year to the Weber State University Student Association Senate, convened on February 24, 2025.

**NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE THAT:**

Upon the passing of this resolution the Weber State University Student Association Senate acknowledges their receipt of information regarding the changes in tuition for the 2025-2026 academic year, their full understanding of these changes, and their approval thereof.

Weber State University Student Association Senate

Senate Bill

WSUSA Senate: 2025-26 Session

ACTIONS

Legislative & Senate President Actions

Date: 2/24/2025

Yea: All Nay: _____ Abstentions: _____

Result: Pass / Fail

Mia Foster
Mia Foster
WSUSA Executive Vice President

2/27/2025
Date

Student Body President Action

Veto: Yes No

Emily Sorenson
Emily Sorenson
WSUSA Student Body President

2/27/2025
Date

TELLERS' REPORT

Vote was conducted by: Show of Hands

Senator Anang: Yes

Senator Lin: Yes

Senator Jacobs: Yes

Senator Schaefer: Yes

Senator Reyes: Yes

Senator Trotter: Yes

Senator Valencia: Yes

Senator Brown: Yes

Senator Harr: Yes

Senator Vejar: Yes

Senator Hansen: Yes

Senator De Leon: Yes

Senator Jimenez Viquez: Yes

Senator Munoz: Yes

Senator Clegg: Yes

Senator Havlova: Yes

Senator Nakai: Yes

Senator McKnight: Yes

Senator Maharaj: Yes

Senator Orantes: Yes

Senator Federico: Yes

Senator Hathcock: Yes

Senator Hall: Yes

Senator Snow: Yes



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY
Student Access & Success

February 24, 2025

Geoffrey Landward
Utah Commissioner of Higher Education
Board of Regents Building
60 S. 400 W.
Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1284

Dear Commissioner Landward:

In compliance with Utah Board of Higher Education Policy, I am writing to express my support for Weber State University's proposal to maintain student fees at their current level for the 2025-2026 academic year. During the Truth in Tuition hearing, we also reviewed a proposal to convert certain student fees into tuition, resulting in an equal reduction in fees and an increase tuition. I support this adjustment as well.

As is the case every year, students at Weber State University play a key role in our student fee allocation process. This year was no different. I can say with confidence that our students support these adjustments.

Sincerely,

Emily Sorenson
Student Body President

cc: Dr. Brad Mortensen, President
Dr. Jessica Oyler, Vice President for Student Access and Success

(WSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVED MARCH 20, 2025)



2025-26 Tuition and General Fee Adjustments Board of Trustees Written Recommendations

The Weber State University Board of Trustees submits this written report to the Utah Board of Higher Education in recommendation of the following combined tuition and general fee adjustments at Weber State University for 2025-26:

- **No increase** in combined tuition and fees for undergraduate resident and non-resident students who have completed 59 credit hours or less.
- An increase in tuition of **2.41%** for undergraduate resident and non-resident students who have completed 60 credit hours or more and all resident and non-resident graduate students.
- A **\$147.18** fee-to-tuition conversion as follows:
 - A reduction in fees of \$147.18 (15.72%) for all full-time students and an increase in tuition of \$147.18 for all full-time students.

Justification

- **No increase for students with 59 credit hours or less** – Responds to access, cost, and timely completion concerns in Utah dual-mission institutions and was recommended to USHE by two state-funded studies conducted by NCHEMS.
- **Tuition rate increase** – Uses are for the following:
 - Legislative funding match – a 1.41% increase to fund 25% of the legislature's adopted increases of 2.5% for salaries, 5% for health insurance, 6.9% for dental insurance, and internal service fund net decreases (mostly property and risk insurance) which total \$1,248,316.
 - Specific institutional needs – a 1.00% increase to fund operating budget increases for cybersecurity IT systems related to university cloud service, software management arrangements, and personnel, totaling \$884,400.
- **Fee-to-Tuition Conversion** – Supports expenditures that are currently core to the operating success of the institution and are defensibly charged as a cost to every student assessed at registration.

Alternative Funding

- The university has identified reallocated funds to fund faculty tenure and promotion

increases, fuel and power cost increases, and the highest priority investments in the Weber State *Amplified 2.0* Strategic Plan.

- The university is reallocating \$886,200 of enrollment growth tuition to make up for the lost revenue for the 0% increase for students who have completed 59 credit hours or less.
- WSU's strong track record of making internal reallocations to fund priorities in the past, which totaled over \$6.2 million in 2023-24, will play a pivotal role in moving forward unfunded strategic plan priorities.
- The university is implementing the second-half of the 2024 Legislature's 1.5% budget reduction in 2025-26.
- If a tuition freeze were implemented, it would be necessary to reduce between an additional 8 and 12 faculty and staff positions across the institution to meet budgetary needs. This would be challenging and also have negative effects on student access, retention, and completion because it would lower the availability of courses, direct student support services, and reduce the ability to maintain physical and IT infrastructure.

Affordability Impact and Value Creation

- WSU's cost of four-year attendance is within available financial aid and the rule of 10 as calculated by USHE staff.
- The average WSU tuition and fees increase over the last ten years of 2.38% is less than the Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) average increase nationally of 2.84% and the average CPI-U increase of 3.27% for the West region.
- WSU tuition and fees are \$2,000 to \$2,200 less per year compared to Rocky Mountain, Western Interstate Cooperative for Higher Education (WICHE), and national peer institutions as identified by USHE.
- Compared to its 11 USHE-approved peer institutions, WSU tuition and fees are between 62% and 77% of the total charged by eight of its peers, within \$50 and \$250 of the amount charged by in-state peers Utah Valley University and Utah Tech University, respectively, and \$475 or 7.8% more than its most inexpensive peer, Middle Georgia State University.
- WSU students pay less than the USHE average (38.8% compared to 42.3%) of their share of the total appropriated budget of the university.
- To support affordability and increase value through scholarships and financial aid (including the 'CATapult Scholarship and Dream Weber programs), WSU provided \$94.4 million to support student affordability and value to 12,647 students in 2023-24.
- WSU's return on investment (ROI) has been cited by the Georgetown University Center for Education & the Workforce and the Utah Foundation for having the best return on investment for its graduates.

Compliance with Policy

- WSU has confirmed to the Board of Trustees that the university has demonstrated

compliance with the policies R510, *Tuition*, and R511, *Tuition Disclosures and Consultation*, and R516, *General Student Fees*.

- The chair of the WSU Board of Trustees and WSU trustee/WSU Student Association (WSUSA) president attended the truth-in-tuition hearing before the WSUSA Student Senate on February 24, 2025.
- The WSUSA Student Senate adopted a resolution acknowledging receipt, understanding, and approval of the proposed tuition changes.
- The WSUSA president submitted a letter supporting WSU maintaining student fees at their current level as well as converting certain fees to tuition, and affirming the key role of students in the process.



UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

To: Utah State Legislature, Utah Board of Higher Education, Utah
Commissioner of Education

From: Mimi Barney, Student Body President, Utah Valley University

Date: March 3, 2025

Subject: Truth in Tuition Hearing

On behalf of the student body of Utah Valley University, I, Mimi Barney, current Student Body President of Utah Valley University, am writing to confirm that UVU administrators delivered the Truth in Tuition presentation on February 27, 2025. This hearing outlined the proposed tuition rate changes for the 2025-2026 school year and a detailed explanation of why. Following this presentation, the Utah Valley University Student Association Student Council and members of the student body were allotted time to ask questions and provide any feedback. It is with full confidence that I write that our students support the tuition increase range of 1.29%-4%.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mimi Barney' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mimi Barney

Student Body President

March 17, 2025

Amanda Covington, Chair
Utah Board of Higher Education
Utah System of Higher Education
The Gateway
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Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Dear Chair Covington,

The Salt Lake Community College Board of Trustees met on March 12, 2025 and voted unanimously to approve a 5.28% increase to student tuition and a -18.07% decrease to student fees. Together, the overall tuition and fee increase for students will be 2.65%.

SLCC held a Truth in Tuition Hearing on February 26, 2025 and comments from that hearing were provided to trustees along with a letter from the SLCC Student Association President indicating support for the increases. Trustees also had the opportunity to review a past tuition percent history before making a final decision.

If you have any questions or need further information concerning this, please contact President Peterson's office at (801) 957-4227.

Sincerely,



Lori Chillingworth, Chair
SLCC Board of Trustees

cc: Geoff Landward, Interim Commissioner of Higher Education
Nate Talley, Deputy Commissioner and CFO
Brian Shuppy, Senior Assistant Commissioner for Budget and Planning
Greg Peterson, SLCC President
Darren Marshall, SLCC Associate VP for Budget and Planning



MEMORANDUM

February 24, 2025

To: Dr. Greg Peterson, President

From: Dr. Brett Perozzi, Vice President for Student Affairs
Nahomi Rei, SLCCSA President

Re: 2025-2026 Student Fee Recommendations

cc: Carmelita Aguilar Andrade, Student
Jillana AhLoe, Senior Budget Director
Paul Calpito, Student
Eric Christensen, Student Affairs Staff
Nate Chrysler, Student Affairs Staff
Joe Donovan, Student
Shari Layne, Student Affairs Budget Analyst
Josue Martinez, Student
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Carla Perez Atencio, Student
Jessica Rodriguez, Student
Natalie Spendlove, Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary
Myo Wai, Student

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The 2025-2026 Student Fee Board conducted their work from November 2024 through early February 2025. The 15-member board comprises nine (9) voting members, four (4) non-voting members and two (2) student alternates. All members attended Student Fee Board training and orientation which included budget and policy review, mock deliberation and student-led interviews with the budget center managers.

On January 17th and 24th, Student Fee Budget Center Managers provided 15-minute presentations on the current year's use of fee dollars and rationale for any requests, followed by a question-and-answer session. Upon conclusion of all presentations, the Student Fee Board deliberated, voted, and made recommendations for the 2025-26 Student Fee schedule. Student fees were held harmless for the estimated salary, wage, and benefits increases from the State. The fee increase on top of this compensation increase was kept at \$2.00 to keep the overall fee increase below 4%.

The Student Fee Board supports moving the Medical/Health, and Servicing Fees to Education and General (E&G) funds. The Fee Board also supports removing the fee for Recreation and having the costs covered by the institution to continue supporting this high-impact student service.

With compensation and modest increases to existing fees, removing one, and moving two to E&G, the new total for student fees is \$204 per semester (previously \$249 per semester), representing an overall decrease of -18.07%.

The Student Fee Board recognizes the above are recommendations to SLCC's President, Dr. Greg Peterson, and the college's Executive Cabinet and acknowledges their recommendations may be modified as deemed appropriate.

Brett Perozzi, as the Vice President for Student Affairs, served as a non-voting member of the Student Fee Board and was the primary facilitator of the presentations and deliberation. Nahomi Rei, in her roles as SLCC Student Body President, Chair, and a voting member of the Student Fee Board also assisted with facilitation and voting.

Each member of the 2025-2026 Student Fee Board affirmed that the process was conducted fairly, impartially, and ethically, ensuring the best possible outcomes for students at Salt Lake Community College.



UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

To: Utah State Legislature, Utah Board of Higher Education, Utah
Commissioner of Education

From: Mimi Barney, Student Body President, Utah Valley University

Date: March 3, 2025

Subject: Truth in Tuition Hearing

On behalf of the student body of Utah Valley University, I, Mimi Barney, current Student Body President of Utah Valley University, am writing to confirm that UVU administrators delivered the Truth in Tuition presentation on February 27, 2025. This hearing outlined the proposed tuition rate changes for the 2025-2026 school year and a detailed explanation of why. Following this presentation, the Utah Valley University Student Association Student Council and members of the student body were allotted time to ask questions and provide any feedback. It is with full confidence that I write that our students support the tuition increase range of 1.29%-4%.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Mimi Barney', is written over a horizontal line.

Mimi Barney

Student Body President