

# **SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

## **Budget and Finance**

**AGENDA ITEM: 7 – B**

**DATE: April 2-3, 2025**

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### **SUBJECT**

**FY26 Off-Campus Tuition Rates**

### **CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[SDCL § 13-53-6](#) – Tuition Rates and Fees

[BOR Policy 5.5](#) – Tuition and Fees: General Procedures

[BOR Policy 5.5.2](#) – Tuition and Fees: Distance Education Tuition

[BOR Policy 5.5.3](#) – Tuition and Fees: Special Course Types

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

#### **Off-Campus Tuition**

All courses delivered off campus, including electronically delivered courses, are offered at the Board approved off-campus tuition rates. Remedial courses, though offered on campus, are also charged the off-campus tuition rate. The off-campus tuition rate includes a HEFF component of 11.5%. All off-campus tuition rates are charged per credit hour. The increase per credit hour aligns with the increase to on-campus tuition rates for FY26. For a detailed list of off-campus tuition rates for FY26, please refer to Attachment I.

#### **Technical Colleges**

The Board of Regents has established tuition rates for students that take general education courses at technical colleges. The technical college rates are set equal to the highest tuition and mandatory fee cost at our comprehensive universities.

#### **Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance (IDEA)**

The Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance (IDEA) is a consortium of 11 predominantly land grant institutions across the Great Plains. The mission of the alliance is to promote distance education master's degrees in the human sciences. The IDEA tuition rates are determined by the GPIDEA consortium, to which SDSU belongs. There was a slight increase for FY26 of 1.8% for the undergraduate courses and 2.0% for graduate courses.

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### **DRAFT MOTION 20250402\_7-B:**

I move to approve the FY26 Off-Campus Tuition Rates as presented in Attachment I.



Externally Supported Tuition

The externally supported tuition rate, as authorized by BOR Policy 5.5.3, Special Course Types, is currently set at \$40.00 per credit hour. The Externally Supported Tuition Rate will remain at \$40.00 for FY26 to compete with other non-regental providers.

Dual Credit Courses

The Governor's initiative to increase the number of qualified public high school students participating in dual credit courses offered in person or at the university centers and technical institutes continue to assist students with the cost of tuition while still attending high school. The FY26 Dual Credit Rate will increase to \$156.97 per credit hour. With the passage of HB1040 during the 2025 legislative session, the payment division for the dual enrollment rate between students and the state will change to an equal 50/50 split.

Courses at University Centers

Courses at University Centers are charged the on-campus tuition rates with the passage of HB 1024 in the 2022 legislative session.

**IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Off-campus tuition rates will increase by 2.9% at all institutions, with the exception of SDSMT, which will experience a 5.0% rise, and DSU, which will see an 8.0% increase for PhD programs. This adjustment aligns with on-campus tuition increases and is intended to cover a 1.25% salary policy, increased health insurance costs, and CPI adjustments. The Dual Credit rate will be equally split between students and the state.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – Proposed FY26 Off-Campus Tuition Rates



**South Dakota Board of Regents  
Proposed FY26 Off-Campus Tuition**

		Current Rate	\$ Increase	% Increase	FY26 Rate
Undergraduate	BHSU, DSU, NSU SDSU & USD	\$354.75	\$10.30	2.9%	\$365.05
Undergraduate	SDSM&T	\$354.75	\$17.75	5.0%	\$372.50
Undergraduate Teacher Certification Internet	BHSU, DSU, NSU	\$227.85	\$6.60	2.9%	\$234.45
	SDSM&T	\$224.45	\$11.25	5.0%	\$235.70
	SDSU, USD	\$225.20	\$6.55	2.9%	\$231.75
Undergraduate Guard STA	BHSU, DSU, NSU	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00
	SDSM&T	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00
	SDSU, USD	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00
Undergraduate Qualified Veteran	BHSU, DSU, NSU	\$100.90	\$2.95	2.9%	\$103.85
	SDSM&T	\$94.20	\$4.75	5.0%	\$98.95
	SDSU, USD	\$95.65	\$2.80	2.9%	\$98.45
UG Active Duty Military Personnel		\$250.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$250.00
UG Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	BHSU	\$250.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$250.00
UG Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	SDSM&T	\$354.75	\$17.75	5.0%	\$372.50
UG Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$354.75	\$10.30	2.9%	\$365.05
UG DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	BHSU	\$250.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$250.00
UG DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	SDSM&T	\$354.75	\$17.75	5.0%	\$372.50
UG DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$354.75	\$10.30	2.9%	\$365.05
Graduate	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$470.45	\$13.65	2.9%	\$484.10
Graduate	SDSM&T	\$470.45	\$23.52	5.0%	\$493.97
Graduate - PhD (New)	DSU	\$470.45	\$37.65	8.0%	\$508.10
Graduate Teacher Certification Internet	BHSU, DSU, NSU	\$303.85	\$8.80	2.9%	\$312.65
	SDSM&T	\$301.00	\$15.05	5.0%	\$316.05
	SDSU, USD	\$300.35	\$8.75	2.9%	\$309.10
Graduate Assistant - Internet	BHSU, NSU	\$313.80	\$9.10	2.9%	\$322.90
	USD	\$310.60	\$9.00	2.9%	\$319.60
	SDSU, DSU, SDSM&T	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00
Graduate Active Duty Military Personnel	BHSU	\$300.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$300.00
Graduate Active Duty Military Personnel	SDSM&T	\$470.45	\$23.50	5.0%	\$493.95
Graduate Active Duty Military Personnel	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$470.45	\$13.65	2.9%	\$484.10
GR Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	BHSU	\$300.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$300.00
GR Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	SDSM&T	\$470.45	\$23.50	5.0%	\$493.95
GR Spouse & Dependent of Active Military at EAFB & Int	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$470.45	\$13.65	2.9%	\$484.10
GR DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	BHSU	\$300.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$300.00
GR DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	SDSM&T	\$470.45	\$23.50	5.0%	\$493.95
GR DOD Civilians EAFB/Internet/Remote	DSU, NSU, SDSU & USD	\$470.45	\$13.65	2.9%	\$484.10
Technical Institute - Resident Undergraduate		\$294.60	\$8.55	2.9%	\$303.15
Technical Institute Qualified Veteran (Lower Div)	BHSU, DSU, NSU	\$40.75	\$1.20	2.9%	\$41.95
	SDSM&T	\$34.10	\$1.70	5.0%	\$35.80
	SDSU, USD	\$35.50	\$1.05	3.0%	\$36.55
Technical Institute - Nonresident Undergraduate		\$397.35	\$11.50	2.9%	\$408.85
Great Plains IDEA (Undergraduate)		\$440.00	\$8.00	1.8%	\$448.00
Great Plains IDEA (Graduate)		\$610.00	\$12.00	2.0%	\$622.00
Externally-Supported		\$40.00	\$0.00	0.0%	\$40.00
Dual Credit Courses <sup>(1)</sup>		\$152.54	\$4.43	2.9%	\$156.97

(1) Offered to qualified public high school students participating in dual credit courses taken in person or at the University Centers. For Summer, 2025 \$104.65 of the rate is provided by the SD Department of Education and applied towards the student's account. For Fall, 2025 and beyond, the cost is split 50/50 between the student and the SD Department of Education, with the SD DOE covering \$78.49.