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**Office of the General Counsel**

**TO:** General Errol R. Schwartz  
Chairperson, Audit Budget and Finance Committee

**FROM:** Karen M. Hardwick, General Counsel  
Alonzo Chisolm, Assistant General Counsel

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Final Rulemaking - UDC Tuition Rate Adjustments for Degree Granting Programs

**DATE:** July 12, 2017

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On May 2, 2017, the Board of Trustees approved a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) to adjust tuition rates for degree granting programs beginning in the fall semester of 2018. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the D.C. Register on June 8, 2017 for a thirty (30) day comment period. The public comment period has lapsed, and no comments have been submitted during the period pursuant to the instructions printed in the Notice.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was initially adopted and forwarded for consideration by the Audit, Budget, and Finance Committee. Pursuant to 8 D.C.M.R. §128.4, if no public comments are received on a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, “the chairperson of the Board committee may forward the rules to the Board for final adoption without a meeting of or action by the committee.” Accordingly, we are requesting that you, as Chairperson of the Audit Budget and Finance Committee, forward the referenced rulemaking action to the full Board of Trustees for its further consideration and final rulemaking action at the Board Meeting on September 19, 2017. Please contact us if we can be of further assistance.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2017-**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING, AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 7,  
UPDATING TUITION RATES FOR AY 2018-2019**

**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 (the “University”) to fix tuition to be paid by resident and nonresident students attending the University; provided, that such tuition is adopted by the Board of 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; a community college branch campus 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, to provide a well-rounded theoretical and practical legal education that will enable students to be effective and ethical advocates, and to 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 2018-2019 tuition rate will be increased by 2.8% based on the 2016 Higher Education Price Index of 1.8%.

**WHEREAS**, the substance of the proposed rule enacted herein was published on June 16, 2017 at 64 DCR 005691 for a thirty-day public comment period in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a); and no public comment was received during the public comment period; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 8 D.C.M.R. §128.4, where no comments are received, the Chairperson of the Board may forward the rules for final adoption without committee action;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of the University hereby adopts the Notice of Final Rulemaking attached and incorporated hereto as Exhibit A; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Rules enacted herein shall take effect upon publication in the Register and that all prior inconsistent resolutions, customs, procedures, and practices are hereby repealed.

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

September 19, 2017  
Date

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Christopher Bell  
Chairperson of the Board

## EXHIBIT A

### UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### NOTICE OF FINAL 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 amends 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) as follows, effective upon publication of this Notice in the D.C. Register.

The purpose of this rule is to adjust tuition rates for degree granting programs beginning in the fall semester of 2018.

The substance of the rules adopted herein was published in the *D.C. Register* on June 16, 2017 at 64 DCR 005691 for a period of public comment of not less than thirty (30) days, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a) (2016 Repl.).

No public comment was received by the Board within the public comment period. The rule was adopted by the Board as final on September 19, 2017, and will become effective upon 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  
Per Credit Hour

Washington, D.C. Residents	\$111.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	\$187.00
All Other Residents	\$316.00

**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>
	Washington, D.C. Residents	\$308.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$356.00
	All Other Residents	\$647.00

**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	\$488.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$552.00
	All Other Residents	\$939.00

**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	\$5,919.00
	All Other Residents	\$11,837.00

**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	\$402.00
	All Other Residents	\$802.00

**Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection**

**728.7 is amended as follows:**

**728.7 SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING BACCALAUREATE DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS**

	<u>Per Credit Hour</u>
Washington, D.C. Residents	\$320.00
Metropolitan Area Residents	\$370.00
All Other Residents	\$671.00

**Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.8 is amended as follows:**

**728.8 Definitions**

- (a) **Full-Time Students.** Any undergraduate or community college 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; City of Alexandria, Virginia; Fairfax County, Virginia. The standards used to establish residency shall be the same standards used to establish residency for District residents.