

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2016-\_\_\_\_**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, AMENDMENTS TO  
CHAPTER 7, UPDATING TUITION RATES FOR AY 2017-2018**

**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; 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**, for the calendar year 2015 the Consumer Price Index was 2.1%; and

**WHEREAS**, the School of Engineering and Applied Science is the fastest growing program in the University and requires increased investment in computers, equipment and laboratories to keep pace with advancing technologies.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby increases the tuition rates by 3.1% for all programs except that for the School of Engineering and Applied Science the Board of Trustees hereby increases the tuition rates by 10%; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER 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 Academic and Student Affairs Committee  
Submitted by the Audit, Budget, and Finance Committee

July 12, 2016  
July 14, 2016

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

July 26, 2016

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Dr. Elaine A. Crider  
Chairperson of the Board

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

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.), the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia 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 2017. 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	\$108.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$182.00
	All Other Residents	\$307.00

**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	\$300.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$346.00
	All Other Residents	\$629.00

**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	\$475.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$537.00
	All Other Residents	\$913.00

**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	\$5,758.00
	All Other Residents	\$11,515.00

**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	\$391.00
	All Other Residents	\$780.00

**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 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 [kmhardwick@udc.edu](mailto:kmhardwick@udc.edu). Individuals wishing to comment by email must include the phrase "Comment to Proposed Rulemaking: Tuition " in the subject line.



## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**TO:** The Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Managing Director of Finance *David L. Jordan*  
**DATE:** June 21, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** UDC Tuition Increase Resolution for AY 2017-2018

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### Conclusion

It is concluded that the tuition rate increase for AY 2017-2018 will result in a positive fiscal impact to the University of the District of Columbia's revenue stream as result of increased tuition charges to be paid by resident and non-resident students attending the University.

### Background

The proposed resolution is to approve an increase in the tuition rates of 3.1 percent based on the calendar year 2015 Consumer Price Index rate of 2.1 percent; however, for the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences the proposed increase rate is 10 percent.

The proposal of differential tuition for the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences is primarily based on a commitment to invest in the fastest growing program at the university. The recommended differential tuition for the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences is an additional charge that pays for enhancements to the learning experience of undergraduate students in engineering. Such enhancements/investments will include new computers, equipment, and to ensure our laboratories keep pace with advancing technologies.

The increases in tuition rates are projected to generate approximately \$1,000,000 in additional tuition revenue for the Academic Year 2017-2018. The tuition increase applies to courses taken at the Flagship, Community College, and Law School, respectively and is based on estimated AY 2017 enrollment data and assumes flat enrollment projections for AY18.

Below is a schedule showing the current and prospective changes in the tuition structure for programs at the Flagship, Community College, and Law School.

STUDENT TYPE	LOCATION	DEGREE PROGRAM	2015-2016 TUITION	CHANGE IN TUITION	2016-2017 TUITION
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	BACCALAUREATE	291	3.10%	300
METROPOLITAN RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	BACCALAUREATE	336	3.10%	346
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	BACCALAUREATE	610	3.10%	629
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING	291	10.00%	320
METROPOLITAN RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING	336	10.00%	370
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING	610	10.00%	671
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ASSOCIATE	105	3.10%	108
METROPOLITAN RESIDENTS	COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ASSOCIATE	177	3.10%	182
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ASSOCIATE	298	3.10%	307
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	GRADUATE	461	3.10%	475
METROPOLITAN RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	GRADUATE	521	3.10%	537
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	GRADUATE	886	3.10%	913
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	LAW SCHOOL - Fall & Spring Semesters Only	5,585.00	3.10%	5,758.00
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	LAW SCHOOL - Fall & Spring Semesters Only	11,169.00	3.10%	11,515.00
WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	LAW SCHOOL - All Other Students	379	3.10%	391
ALL OTHER RESIDENTS	FLAGSHIP	LAW SCHOOL - All Other Students	757	3.10%	780

### Financial Impact

It is projected that the increase in tuition rates would lead to an increase in income to the University. This request has been approved based on the information provided. There are no anticipated risks at this time.

### Risks and Impacts

Risk Assumptions	Impacts
Higher Tuition rates 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