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**Office of the General Counsel**

**TO:** CHAIR, AUDIT, BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

**FROM:** STACIE MILLS, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL

**SUBJECT:** NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING- TUITION

**DATE:** JULY 9, 2015

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On April 28, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for an increase in Tuition for Academic Year 2016-2017. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the D.C. Register on May 22, 2015 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 (ABF) 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, I am requesting that you, as chairperson of the ABF 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 July 14, 2015. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2015-\_\_\_\_\_**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING, AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 7,  
UPDATING TUITION RATES FOR AY 2016-2017**

**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 including 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**, the Academic Year 2016-2017 tuition rate will be increased by 2.6% based on the calendar year 2014 rate of Consumer Price Index of 1.6%;

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the General Counsel is hereby directed to publish this Notice of Final Rulemaking in the D.C. Register.

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

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Dr. Elaine Crider  
Chairperson of the Board

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Date



# UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

The purpose of the rule is to update University Freedom of Information Act regulations to be consistent with current law. The substance of the rules adopted herein was published in the *D.C. Register* on September 27, 2013 for a period of public comment of not less than thirty (30) days, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a) (2011 Supp.). No public comment was received by the Board within the public comment period.

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 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).

The purpose of the rule is to adjust tuition rates for degree granting programs beginning in the fall semester of 2016. The substance of the rules adopted herein was published in the *D.C. Register* on May 22, 2015 for a period of public comment of not less than thirty (30) days, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a) (2011 Supp.). No public comment was received by the Board within the public comment period.

**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	\$105.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$177.00
	All Other Residents	\$298.00

**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	\$291.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$336.00
	All Other Residents	\$610.00

**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	\$461.00
	Metropolitan Area Residents	\$521.00
	All Other Residents	\$886.00

**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	\$5,585.00
	All Other Residents	\$11,169.00

**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	\$379.00
	All Other Residents	\$757.00

**Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, Subsection 728.7 is amended as follows:**

728.7	Definitions
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- (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.




Donald L. Rickford  
Chief Financial Officer

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**TO:** The Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Office of the Chief Financial Officer (UDC) 

**DATE:** July 9, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Tuition Increase — Academic Year 2017

Conclusion

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer of the University of the District of Columbia has projected that the 2.6% tuition increase which is based on the change in the Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers 12-Month Percent Change (1.6%) for 2014 (CPI-U) plus 1% will generate approximately \$700,000 additional tuition revenue for the Academic Year (AY) 2016-2017. The assumption is based on estimated AY 2015 frozen enrollment data and assumes flat enrollment projections for AY 2017.

Background

The proposed tuition increase resolution is to implement a 2.6% tuition increase for the University of the District of Columbia beginning with the Fall 2016 semester. The proposed increase is consistent with the approved Board of Trustees policy on tuition increases.

Financial Impact

AY 2017 Student Headcount & FTE			
AY2017			
Total by Level	Headcount	FTE	Projected Tuition
Associate	2,532	1,604	6,140,218
Baccalaureate	1,959	1,570	15,140,786
Graduate	312	265	3,556,920
Law	315	275	4,712,317
Total	5,118	3,714	29,550,241

Proposed Tuition Schedule

Tuition Type	Location	Status	Fall 2015 Tuition Schedule	Proposed Fall 2016 Tuition Schedule	Increase Amount per Credit hour
Resident	Flagship	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$283.38	\$291	\$7.37
Metropolitan	Flagship	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$327.80	\$336	\$8.52
Non-Resident	Flagship	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$594.30	\$610	\$15.45
Resident	Flagship	Graduate <sup>2</sup>	\$448.91	\$461	\$11.67
Metropolitan	Flagship	Graduate <sup>2</sup>	\$508.12	\$521	\$13.21
Non-Resident	Flagship	Graduate <sup>2</sup>	\$863.46	\$886	\$22.45
Resident	Community College	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$102.50	\$105	\$2.67
Metropolitan	Community College	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$172.20	\$177	\$4.48
Non-Resident	Community College	Undergraduate <sup>1</sup>	\$290.08	\$298	\$7.54
Resident	School of Law - Full Time	Professional <sup>3</sup>	\$5,443	\$5,585	\$142 <sup>3</sup>
Non-Resident	School of Law - Full Time	Professional <sup>3</sup>	\$10,886	\$11,169	\$283 <sup>3</sup>
Resident	School of Law - Part Time		\$369	\$379	\$9.59
Non-Resident	School of Law - Part Time		\$738	\$757	\$19.19
<b>Note:</b>					
<sup>1</sup> Undergraduate Tuition capped at 12 hrs.					
<sup>2</sup> Graduate Tuition capped at 9 hrs.					
<sup>3</sup> Law School increase per semester					

### **Risks and Mitigation**

<b>Risk Assumptions</b>	<b>Mitigation Strategies</b>
Higher Tuition rate 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.