

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 33**

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, AMENDMENT TO DCMR, TITLE 8B, CHAPTER 7, SECTION 728.9: LISTING OF MISCELLANEOUS STUDENT FEES - STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 38-1202.01(a), the Board of Trustees (“Board”); has the power to adopt, prescribe, amend, repeal, and enforce bylaws, rules, and regulations it considers necessary for the governance and administration of the University; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 38-1202.06(8), it is the duty of the Board to fix tuition and fees to be paid by students attending the University, and that such tuition and fees are adopted by the Trustees in accordance with the provisions of D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a); and

WHEREAS, the University desires to renew the health insurance plan for students for the Academic Year 2020-2021 which will result in a change to the student health insurance fees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby approves the proposed rulemaking action to amend Chapter 7 of Title 8B, DCMR to revise the student health insurance fees as indicated in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking attached hereto as Appendix A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Counsel of the University 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 Operations Committee: June 9, 2020

Submitted by Audit, Budget & Finance Committee: June 9, 2020

Approved by the Board of Trustees: June 16, 2020



Christopher D. Bell
Chairperson of the Board

APPENDIX A
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia, pursuant to the authority set forth under the D.C. Official Code § 38-1202.06(8) 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 revise the student health insurance fees the University charges students.

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 Title 8-B DCMR, UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, is amended as follows:

Paragraph (q) of Subsection 728.9 of Section 728, TUITION AND FEES: DEGREE-GRANTING PROGRAMS, is amended as follows:

(q) Student Health Insurance	\$1353(Fall Enrollment) \$793(Spring Enrollment) \$327 (Summer 1 Enrollment) \$171 (Summer 2 Enrollment)
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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 OfficeofGC@udc.edu. Individuals wishing to comment by email must include the phrase “Comment to Proposed Rulemaking: Student Health Insurance Fees” in the subject line.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Managing Director of Finance *David A. Franklin*

DATE: June 16, 2020

SUBJECT: FIS - AY20-21 Student Health Insurance Premium

Conclusion

In conclusion, the fiscal impact of increasing the Student Health Insurance Premium would not exceed \$50,000. The fiscal impact amount of \$50,000 is the amount set aside to cover any contingent costs related to the student health insurance program. The projected annual insurance premium amount of \$1,141,326 will be a pass-through for the University and will not impact the operating budget.

Background

Under the Affordable Care Act, the University is required to offer full-coverage health insurance to students. The University’s student health insurance program requires each student who enrolls at the University to be simultaneously enrolled in student health insurance upon registration. Students with insurance that equals or exceeds the University’s program can opt out of the University-offered insurance. Those wishing to opt out of the program must provide proof of other comparable coverage.

The insurance year begins August 10th of each year, and ends August 9th of the following year. Annual insurance premium rates are established based on claims experience. The program offers students the opportunity to have dependent or family coverage with direct billing from the insurance company. The current insurance company is United Healthcare.

Annual	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Student Enrollment	848	1,316	1,452	1,474	1,428	1,167
Annual rate per student	1,161	1,090	1,190	1,090	925	978
Premium Paid	1,090,659	1,096,292	1,436,107	1,536,270	1,070,993	1,073,622
Expected Claims	768,551	707,897	755,878	1,013,858	1,123,703	1,214,390
Paid to SHC Claims	64,930	107,211	124,571	82,225	139,652	76,313

*These student enrollment figures do not include summer students. Thus, the amounts of premiums paid are projected.

This student health insurance program offers the University a unique opportunity for revenue generation. Students may use the University health center as their source of primary care. Students are not charged copays for office visits when using the University health center. Additional claims are paid directly to the University for services rendered by the University health center.

Financial Impact

The financial impact of establishing the student health insurance premium rate does create potential additional operating expenses for the University.

Risk Assumptions	Impacts
Differences between enrollment figures of the insurance provider and the University will create additional operating expenses.	Increased operating expenses.