

University of Tennessee Martin

Proposed Increases to 2019-20 In-State Undergraduate Tuition and Mandatory Fees

The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees will consider a proposal to increase undergraduate in-state tuition and mandatory fees at the University of Tennessee Martin (UTM) during the Board's meeting on June 21, 2019. Tennessee law (Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-7-1603) requires boards of public universities to give public notice of proposed increases to tuition and mandatory fees charged to in-state undergraduate students at least fifteen (15) days prior to holding a public meeting to adopt the increases. Individuals are permitted to provide comments during the fifteen-day period at the following website:

<https://trustees.tennessee.edu/tuition-and-fee-proposal/>

| Proposed Tuition & Mandatory Fees | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | Change | |
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| In-State Undergraduates | \$9,512 | \$9,748 | \$236 | 2.5% |

Explanation for the Proposed Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases

The total number of in-state undergraduate students enrolled during the fall semester of 2018 was 6,098, compared to 5,788 during the fall semester of 2017. Fall 2019 enrollment is projected to look similar to Fall 2018. The proposed increases are needed to provide revenue to cover growth in the costs of providing these programs and to maintain the quality and effectiveness of these programs in the future.

Purposes for Which the Revenue Derived from the Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases Will be Used

The revenue increase primarily will be used for scholarships, student services, instructional support, faculty and staff promotions, contractual obligations and fixed cost increases, and the portion of the 2% salary pool which was not fully funded by state appropriations.

Efforts to Mitigate the Effect of Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases on Students

Tuition and fee increases have been modest in recent years. The 2.5% increase proposed for 2019-20 brings UTM's average increase over the last three years to 2.4%, well below the average limits allowed by THEC over the same period (3.2%). 86.1% of UT Martin in-state undergraduate students receive some form of scholarship, grant, discount, or waiver to offset part or all of the costs of attendance. The average annual financial aid per undergraduate is \$7,937.