

DRAFT MEMO TO STUDENTS ABOUT TUITION INCREASES

Dear Oregon Tech Students:

You may have heard that Oregon Tech's Board of Trustees reviewed and endorsed our tuition rates for 2015-16 at their April 6-7 meeting. These rates will be approved by the State Board of Higher Education at their final meeting on June 5. Thereafter, Oregon Tech's Trustees will be the sole tuition approval authority.

Below is a chart that gives examples of the tuition increases for undergraduate and graduate students – both resident and nonresident, and for regular and high cost programs – and increases for online students.

Oregon Tech has a very inclusive tuition-setting process. Students are part of the tuition-recommendation committee, which assesses possible tuition increases based on the need to maintain current levels of programs and services and anticipated budget needs to support instruction and other student support services. In other words, students are at the table in the decision-making process, they organize student forums to seek input, and the ASOIT President forwards student recommendations to the University President. Notices go out to students on both campuses about engagement in the tuition-setting process.

Setting tuition includes many factors that influence the rate, with the level of state funding being the second largest factor (behind tuition) affecting revenues used to operate academic programs and the campuses overall. Program costs, need for faculty, staff, inflationary costs, new programs, lab and equipment upgrades, new or upgraded facilities, and costs for faculty and other personnel are the main factors affecting expenses.

Students in certain high cost programs – including engineering and some healthcare degrees – pay what is called differential tuition, a higher tuition rate which ensures that students in lower-cost programs are not subsidizing students in higher cost ones.

Besides the chart below, additional tuition and fee information is available on the Oregon Tech website at <http://www.oit.edu/college-costs/tuition-fees>. If you have any questions about your tuition rate for 2015-16, please contact the Oregon Tech Business Office at 541-885-1202 or in person in Snell Hall, Room 116.

Thank you.

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Oregon Tech President

Proposed Base Tuition and Fee Rates for 2015-16 Academic Year

Annual Rates at 15 Credit Hours Per Term

Tuition and Fee Rates were endorsed by the Oregon Tech Board of Trustees on April 7, 2015; and is expected to be approved by the State Board of Higher Education on June 5, 2015.

Tuition Type	Tuition Only				Tuition & Mandatory Fees			
	2015-16 Tuition	2014-15 Tuition	\$ change over 2014-15	% change over 2014-15	2015-16 Tuition & Fees	2014-15 Tuition & Fees	\$ change over 2014-15	% change over 2014-15
RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION AND FEES								
Base Tuition Klamath Falls	\$7,324	\$6,975	\$349	5%	\$8,839	\$8,460	\$379	4%
Base Tuition Wilsonville					\$7,786	\$7,347	\$439	5%
Engin. & Tech. Differential KF	\$8,422	\$7,673	\$749	9%**	\$9,937	\$9,158	\$779	9%
Engin. & Tech. Differential WLSV					\$8,884	\$8,044	\$840	9%
Health Prog. Differential KF*	\$8,422	\$8,021	\$401	5%	\$9,937	\$9,506	\$431	4%
Health Prog. Differential WLSV*					\$8,884	\$8,393	\$491	5%
NON-RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION AND FEES								
Base Tuition Klamath Falls	\$23,311	\$22,201	\$1,110	5%	\$24,826	\$23,686	\$1,140	5%
Base Tuition Wilsonville					\$23,773	\$22,573	\$1,200	5%
Engin. & Tech. Differential KF	\$26,807	\$24,421	\$2,386	9%**	\$28,322	\$25,906	\$2,416	9%
Engin. & Tech. Differential WLSV					\$27,269	\$24,793	\$2,476	9%
Health Prog. Differential KF*	\$26,807	\$25,531	\$1,276	5%	\$28,322	\$27,016	\$1,306	5%
Health Prog. Differential WLSV*					\$27,269	\$25,903	\$1,366	5%
RESIDENT GRADUATE TUITION AND FEES (12 credits/full time)								
Base Tuition Klamath Falls	\$13,672	\$13,248	\$424	3.2%	\$15,187	\$14,733	\$454	3%
Klamath Falls Campus WV					\$14,134	\$13,620	\$514	4%
Engin. & Tech Differential KF	\$15,723	\$14,573	\$1,150	7%**	\$17,238	\$16,058	\$1,180	7%
Wilsonville Campus WV					\$16,185	\$14,945	\$1,240	8%
ON-LINE TUITION AND FEES								
Base Tuition***	\$10,215	\$9,900	\$315	3%	\$11,115	\$10,800	\$315	3%
*Assumes that all courses are at differential rate; may be lower **2015-16 includes final year of three-year phase-in period of Engineering & Technology Differential Tuition ***On-line tuition and fees are approved through the Institution Fee process and is subject to public hearings								