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Austin, Texas

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1. **U.T. System Board of Regents: Discussion and appropriate action regarding Consent Agenda items, if any, assigned for Committee consideration**

RECOMMENDATION

The Board will be asked to approve the Consent Agenda beginning on [Page 175](#).

2. **U.T. Rio Grande Valley: Discussion and appropriate action regarding proposed amendments to Mission Statement**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the institutional president that the proposed changes to the Mission Statement for U.T. Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV), as set forth below, be approved by the U.T. System Board of Regents.

**Proposed Mission Statement**

UTRGV serves the Rio Grande Valley and beyond via an innovative and unique education dedicated to student access and success. By championing leading research, healthcare, and application of University discoveries, we support sustainable development, community engagement, and well-being.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Each public institution of higher education is required to have a mission statement under *Texas Education Code* Section 51.359. Section 51.352 of the Code, regarding the Responsibility of Governing Boards, requires each governing board to insist on clarity of focus and mission of each institution under its governance. Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, Rule 10402, states that the Academic Affairs Committee or the Health Affairs Committee, as appropriate, must review proposed changes to institutional mission statements. In addition, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC) accreditation rules require the periodic review and approval of each institution's mission statement by its governing board.

The UTRGV mission statement was last reviewed and approved on February 24, 2022. The proposed mission statement maintains the university's commitment to student success, research, community engagement, and regional impact.

**Current Mission Statement**

To transform the Rio Grande Valley, the Americas, and the world through an innovative and accessible educational environment that promotes student success, research, creative works, health and well-being, community engagement, sustainable development, and commercialization of university discoveries.

3. **U.T. San Antonio: Discussion and appropriate action regarding authorization to establish undergraduate and graduate differential tuition for the newly formed College of AI, Cyber, and Computing**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the institutional president that the U.T. System Board of Regents establish and set a differential tuition rate for the newly formed College of AI, Cyber, and Computing (CAICC) at \$42 per semester credit hour (SCH) for undergraduate students and \$140.45 per SCH for graduate students, beginning in Academic Year 2026-2027. Under this proposal, current undergraduate students would see no increase in tuition.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The newly formed CAICC is comprised of undergraduate and graduate students previously enrolled in academic programs housed within the College of Business, College of Engineering and Integrated Design, College of Sciences, and University College. These academic programs currently have differential tuition rates set at varying levels by the U.T. System Board of Regents.

This proposal would establish undergraduate differential tuition for CAICC at \$42 per SCH and graduate differential tuition at \$140.45 per SCH.

For undergraduate students, the proposed differential tuition rate aligns with the lowest existing differential tuition rate among students' former colleges (the Alvarez College of Business), resulting in no change—or a decrease—in total tuition for continuing undergraduates. For graduate students, the proposed differential tuition rate aligns with the Alvarez College of Business graduate differential tuition rate, the former college of 62 percent of CAICC graduate students. These graduate students would experience no increase in tuition, while graduate students from other colleges would experience an increase.

Differential tuition rates are established for certain academic programs or course levels with higher instructional and/or operational costs. Differential tuition is authorized under *Texas Education Code* § 54.0513(b) and is assessed in addition to designated tuition.

<b>U.T. San Antonio Differential Tuition Proposal for the College of AI, Cyber, and Computing (Academic Year 2026-2027)</b>						
<b>Former College</b>	<b>Former College Differential Rate</b>		<b>Proposed CAICC Differential Tuition Rate</b>		<b>Net Impact (Increase or Decrease in Semester Tuition)</b>	
	<b>UG Rate / SCH</b>	<b>Grad Rate / SCH</b>	<b>UG Rate / SCH</b>	<b>Grad Rate / SCH</b>	<b>UG Student Change (12 SCH)</b>	<b>Grad Student Change (9 SCH)</b>
<b>Business</b>	\$42	\$140.45	\$42	\$140.45	-	-
<b>Engineering</b>	\$55	\$59.87	\$42	\$140.45	\$(156)	\$725
<b>Sciences</b>	\$50	\$54.44	\$42	\$140.45	\$(96)	\$774
<b>University College</b>	-	-	\$42	\$140.45	-	\$1,264

4. **Stephen F. Austin State University: Discussion and appropriate action regarding authorization to establish and assess a technology fee and reduce the university services fee correspondingly**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the institutional president that the U.T. System Board of Regents authorize Stephen F. Austin State University (SFA) to establish and assess a technology fee of \$30 per semester credit hour (SCH) and reduce the university services fee correspondingly from \$105 per SCH to \$75 per SCH beginning Fall 2026. Approval of this agenda item would result in no change to total tuition and fees for undergraduate or graduate students.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The university services fee at SFA is currently \$105 per semester credit hour (SCH), capped at a maximum of 12 SCH per semester. This fee was established in 2018 to fund campus-wide expenditures such as physical plant maintenance, university police, safety and risk management, and other campus services, as well to partially fund the costs associated with information technology.

To provide greater transparency to students regarding the type and purpose of student fees assessed, SFA proposes to establish a stand-alone technology fee at \$30 per SCH, capped at 12 SCH per semester, and reduce the university services fee correspondingly to \$75 per SCH, capped at 12 SCH per semester.

Both the university services fee and technology fee are authorized under *Texas Education Code* Section 55.16. Certain flat-rate academic programs, as well as dual-credit students, will be assessed a reduced fee. This proposal is consistent with the State of Texas Higher Education Affordability Initiative. For all resident undergraduate students, the proposed fee would not impact total current tuition, academic fees, academic-related general fees, or college course fees.

5. **Stephen F. Austin State University: Discussion and appropriate action regarding authorization to establish and assess an intercollegiate athletics fee**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the institutional president that the U.T. System Board of Regents authorize Stephen F. Austin State University (SFA) to establish and assess an intercollegiate athletics fee for current students of \$5 per semester credit hour (SCH), capped at 12 SCH, for a maximum charge of \$60 per semester and \$40 per semester credit hour, capped at 12 SCH for a maximum charge of \$480 per semester for new students beginning fall 2026. The intercollegiate athletics fee is a non-academic mandatory fee, and the establishment of this fee was approved by student referendum on March 3, 2026.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

SFA does not currently assess an intercollegiate athletics fee. Establishment of this fee will allow SFA to fund its athletic programs in a more transparent manner and reduce the level of support provided from other revenue sources. The intercollegiate athletics fee is a non-academic mandatory fee, authorized under *Texas Education Code* Section 54.5202 and was approved by a majority vote of participating students in a general student election on March 2-3, 2026, for this purpose. The fee will be assessed to students based on enrolled SCH, with charges capped at 12 SCH per semester. Certain flat-rate academic programs, as well as dual-credit students, will be assessed a reduced fee. This proposal is consistent with the State of Texas Higher Education Affordability Initiative. For all resident undergraduate students, the proposed fee would not impact current tuition, academic fees, academic-related general fees, or college course fees.