

May 17th, 2022
6:00 P.M.
Zoom

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LATE ADDITIONS (SC-2022-02)

2022-02/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

2022-02/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2022-02/2a Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-01)

See SC.2022-02.13

2022-02/3 PRESENTATION

2022-02/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-02/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-02/6 OPEN FORUM

2022-02/7 QUESTION PERIOD

- 2022-02/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
- 2022-02/8d **VILLOSO MOVES TO** approve the SCF Funding Request for the Main Floor and Patio Improvements
See SC.2022-02.14
- 2022-02/9 GENERAL ORDERS
- 2022-02/9I **SINGH/MONTEIRO MOVE TO** discuss the Fall 2023 International Tuition Fee Proposal
See SC.2022-0.2.15-16
- 2022-02/10 INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2022-02/10e Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-01)
See SC.2022-02.13
- 2022-02/10f Council Submissions
See Sc.2022-02.14-16

**May 10th, 2022
5:30 P.M.
Council Chambers/Zoom**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2022-01)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:30PM

2022-0/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2022-0/1a **Speaker Election**
Applicant information will be distributed at Council.

SPEAKER/MONTEIRO MOVED TO go in camera
CARRIED (Singh Abstained)

ALI/THIND MOVED to go ex camera
FAILED

FLAMAN/ALI MOVED to go ex camera
CARRIED

FLAMAN/ALI MOVED to extend meeting by 1 hour
CARRIED

ALI/DORSCHIED MOVED to enter deliberation
CARRIED

ALI/DHILLON MOVED to make amendments in motion to go in camera
CARRIED

VILLOSO/KAUR MOVED to go ex camera
CARRIED

CHRISTIAN ZUKOWSKI is declared elected Council Speaker via secret ballot

2022-01/1b Council Installation Ceremony

2022-01/1c Inaugural Addresses of Executive Officers and the Undergraduate Board of
Governors Representative

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2022/01/2 CONSENT AGENDA

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- 2022-01/9 GENERAL ORDERS
- 2022/01/9a **Executive Business**
Information will be distributed at Council.
- TABLED
- 2022-01/9b **Approval of Students' Council 2022/23 Meeting Schedule**
- See SC-2022-01.01
- FLAMAN/ALI MOVED** to carry special orders for the meeting schedule
CARRIED
- WATTAMANIUK/FLAMAN MOVED** to approve meeting schedule as presented
CARRIED
- 2022/01/9c Nomination to Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC) (3)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9d Nomination to Audit Committee (7)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9e Nomination to Bylaw Committee (7)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9f Nomination to Council Administration Committee (CAC) (5)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9g Nomination to Finance Committee (7)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9h Nomination to Nominating Committee (NomCom) (5)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9i Nomination to Policy Committee (6)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9j Nomination to the Student Group Committee (SGC) (2)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9k Nomination to Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee (SCFC) (3)
TABLED
- 2022/01/9l Nomination to the Translation Committee (5)

TABLED

2022-01/10 INFORMATION ITEMS

2022-01/10a Students' Council 2022/23 Meeting Schedule

See SC-2022-01.01

2022-01/10b Students' Council Attendance Sheet

See SC-2022-01.2

2022-01/10c Students' Council Committee Interest Form Responses

See SC-2022.01.3

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:05 PM

Monday, May 16, 2022

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Mover

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Action Requested

Approval

File Upload



20220511 - SCF Funding Request for Main Fl...

SCF Funding Request

Summer 2022 Main Floor, Atrium and Patio Improvements

13 May 2022

Marc Dumouchel, General Manager

Executive Summary

I am seeking Executive (in lieu of SCFC not yet being in operation) and Students' Council approval for the use of Sustainability and Capital Fund monies for improvements to the main floor of SUB and the SUB Patio.

This request is time-sensitive, in order to ensure the work can be substantially completed by the end of summer and to lock in prices in advance of scheduled price increases at some suppliers. We began work on this project in January, but only received all of the final bids for work in the third week of April.

The total amount of funding requested to be released from the SCF is **\$322,563**. This is well within the annual funding envelope for ongoing building maintenance (\$515,000 this year) outlined in the [Sustainability and Capital Fund Proposal](#).

Overview of Work

Main Floor and Atrium Improvements

This project will renew furniture in the 'living room' or SUBstage area of the building, along with the Atrium. It is composed of the following elements:

- Reupholstery of 2015 furniture, where the fabrics have significantly degraded due to wear and sun exposure;
- Purchase of new tables and chairs to replace existing round tables and chairs, which are 20 years old and nearing end of life. Additionally, the new tables will be rectangular, allowing for group configurations;
- Purchase of some new soft seating, using data from a year of research;
- Purchase of bespoke bean bag seating for Atrium tiers (it is less expensive to make our own, and our design includes removable/swappable covers so that the seats last longer)
- Recycling of the oldest soft seating, which has reached end-of-life after several rounds of reupholstery (the structure and springs are failing);
- Addition of a water feature;

- Adding some new, focused lighting;
- Repainting of walls in the SUBstage area; and
- Significant reorganization of the space, taking into account suggestions from Industrial Design student projects which surveyed students and proposed a number of usability and ergonomic improvements.

The reorganization of space makes a number of specific improvements:

- Moving tables to better-lighted areas;
- Setting up specific conversation pods of various sizes;
- Widened paths (improved navigability and accessibility);
- Creation of 'group booths'.

A draft layout is provided in the [estimate](#) for this portion of the work. (Estimate documents may require viewers of this document to request access.) The estimated cost is \$227,668.

Patio Improvements

This project makes a few improvements to the SUB Patio:

- Improved fencing to facilitate easier use of the space for events;
- Repair of damaged stucco;
- Improvements to plantings and possibly the grassed tiers;
- Addition of multiple area for mounting banners and/or art on the concrete walls; and
- Addition of spaces for future sculptural art.

The [estimate](#) for this work is \$94,895.

Adherence to SCF Principles

The Sustainability and Capital Fund is administered in accordance with the principles outlined in the original [Sustainability and Capital Fund Proposal](#). Under the rules outlined there, Council must approve any motion to use SCF funds by a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote.

The referendum question itself stated the objectives of Fund as:

The University of Alberta Students' Union (UASU) proposes to create a permanent Sustainability and Capital Fund to help provide funding that allows for the renovation and improvement of Students' Union-controlled spaces on campus like SUB.

The question further notes:

All Fund projects must demonstrate a clear contribution to environmental, economic, and/or social sustainability.

Of particular note in the Proposal document are two sections relevant to this proposal.

The first is ***Structure and Uses of the Fund*** section, which states:

The Fund will be divided into four 'envelopes':

- 1. A Major Projects envelope, to fund large SUB renewal projects. Major projects must demonstrate clear contributions to each of the three elements of sustainability - environmental, social, and economic.*
- 2. An SU Spaces Deferred Maintenance envelope to pay for the ongoing renewal and renovation of SUB public spaces according to sustainability and wellness principles.*
- 3. A Major Sustainability Investments envelope, to pay for environmental and social sustainability improvements above and beyond regular above space renewal. It is anticipated that this will fund significant additional investments in green energy generation and waste reduction.*
- 4. A Sustainability Emerging Projects Fund ("Green Fund") to support student-led, early-stage sustainability projects on campus.*

This request for funding is being made in accordance with the requirements of envelope 2, "SU Spaces Deferred Maintenance".

The second section of note is the potential "Main Floor Renewal" on page 14. This proposal is part of that project.

Financial/Economic Sustainability

The current target % of fund revenue allocated to the SU Spaces Deferred Maintenance envelope is 25%. For the upcoming year, we expect that envelope to total approximately \$515,000. This project fits well within that parameter. Any excess funds in this envelope at year end will be conserved for future projects.

More significantly, this project contributes to the overall financial sustainability of SUB and the Students' Union by helping to maintain SUB's preeminent role as a destination building on campus. By ensuring that our spaces are attractive and comfortable for multiple use cases, we increase the viability of our leaseholder operations and our own businesses and events. The revenue derived from these sources form a crucial part of the Students' Union revenues. Failure to invest in maintaining our spaces - particularly in light of increasing competition for service traffic from CAB and the upcoming University Commons - will result in reducing the economic contribution from the building to our overall operating budget.

Social Sustainability

Active and engaging social spaces - places to meet, eat, and study together - that emphasize accessibility and overall wellness are essential to the mission of SUB. The proposed improvements have been developed by Erin van Horn, our Building Planner and author of [The Design of Happiness](#), a Master's thesis on improving wellness in spaces that used SUB as its basis. The improvements are based on ideas in that thesis.

The social sustainability and wellness improvements are designed to:

- Improve accessibility in SUB by widening certain pathways and clarifying major walkways;
- Improve the usability of the space by reorganizing certain areas and improving lighting;
- Adding certain naturalistic elements, such as a water feature and provisions for improved planting/landscaping;
- Improving usability of patio for events;
- Adding additional spaces for the display of art and/or banners to add color and humanize the patio; and
- Providing a generally-improved level of comfort and aesthetics.

Environmental Sustainability

In 2015, new furniture was purchased for the Atrium. Unfortunately, the fabrics used grossly underperformed expectations, and within five years, seating exposed to the sun and heavy use has degraded considerably. Councilors have undoubtedly noticed this. This proposal proposes to renew and reuse this furniture by reupholstering it instead of replacing it. The fabrics are sourced from a local company that is a major maker of upholstery fabric. The company has a strong commitment to sustainable practices and a sustainable supply chain, and the products we have selected have high durability ratings and are cleanable with sustainable cleaning practices. They're designed to last in our very demanding environment.

As part of this project, we will be replacing most of our early-90s stock of couches and chairs. These have held up reasonably well over the years (with regular reupholstery work), but have finally reached end-of-life. These will be disposed of by CSR Eco Solutions, who will deconstruct them and divert 90% of the material from landfill, reducing GHG emissions by an estimated 26 tonnes as opposed to direct disposal.

New furniture was selected with an eye to overall sustainability, with a particular focus on durability and appeal to students.

Overview of Budget

Sourcing

Multiple bids for work were selected for wall finishes and reupholstery. New furniture pieces were selected in part based on a year-long test of samples.

Costs

Project	Summary Description	Cost
Main Floor and Atrium	Reupholstery of furniture/purchase of new furniture/change walls/add water feature/sustainable disposal	\$227,668
Patio	New plantings/addition of art mounts/improved gating and fencing	\$94,895
Total Cost		\$322,563
Total Cost	As a % of the SU Spaces Deferred Maintenance envelope	63%

Monday, May 16, 2022

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

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Action Requested

Discussion

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Tuesday, May 17, 2022

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

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MONTEIRO MOVES TO discuss the Fall 2023 International Tuition Fee Proposal

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Action Requested

Discussion

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International Tuition Increase Briefing - May ...

Proposed Tuition increases for international students and the consultation mechanism.

The GFC's Academic Planning Committee (APC) is meeting on May 18, 2022 to approve a 6% international tuition increase for guaranteed fee model (international students enrolled after Fall 2020) as attached. The Students' Council need to discuss proposed increase along with SU Execs strategy to advocate against it. There are also concerns regarding the consultation that the UofA conducted in regard to this increase with international students and the Students' council.

The SU was consulted on this fee increase proposal, however the SU did not inform or consult on it with the International Students' Association whose membership was directly going to bear the cost of these increases.

Tuition and Fee Regulation (Full regulation attached)

8.1.b: the board [Board of Governors] shall establish a mechanism with each of the institution's students' councils for holding consultations to discuss increases to tuition fees and mandatory non-instructional fees to allow for ongoing input by each students' council to the budget process relative to the determination of those fees.

The main issue that is being brought forward to discuss at the Students' Council is the mechanism in which we are conducting the consultation with the University. The University has created Tuition Budget Advisory Committee with both SU and GSA Reps to meet the requirement as outlined in Tuition and Fee Regulation section 8.1.b. This mechanism in the past has been agreed by the SU and UofA, however this mechanism is majorly serving the University in getting its proposal consulted with the SU easily by coming to a committee and then moving ahead. The University know it very well that consulting with one SU Exec is very easy compared to 30+ SU Council members, and thus the committee idea is serving them well.

We as the Students' Council need to do one of the following to ensure we are consulted properly, and we are fully exercising the right to be consulted as outlined in regulation:

1. Pull us out of this committee and ask the University to consult with the SU Council directly by attending SU Council meetings. This shall enable us all as councillors to put pressure on UofA and many times give a strong resistance to every fee increase proposal.
2. If we don't want to pull out of this committee then, we at least need to ask for this committee to be expanded, to allow more SU Execs, SU Council members and at least one international student to be on the committee to ensure equitable consultation.

**Governance Executive Summary
Action Item**

Agenda Title	Fall 2023 International Tuition Fee Proposal for Incoming Students
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Motion

<p>THAT General Faculties Council Academic Planning Committee recommend that the Board of Governors approve tuition fees for new international students for all programs, as set forth in attachment 1, to take effect for the Fall 2023 intakes.</p>

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Action Requested	<input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommendation
Proposed by	Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and Vice-President (University Services and Finance)
Presenter(s)	Steven Dew, Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and Todd Gilchrist, Vice-President (University Services and Finance)

Details

Responsibility	Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and Vice-President (University Services and Finance)
The Purpose of the Proposal is <i>(please be specific)</i>	To propose tuition fees for the Fall 2023 intake of new international students, compliant with the requirements imposed by Bill 19 and associated Alberta Tuition Framework and Guidelines.
Executive Summary <i>(outline the specific item – and remember your audience)</i>	<p>In 2019, the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of APC, approved a new program-based tuition model for incoming international students. This provides students with a “guaranteed” amount of tuition over the nominal duration of their program. The new model was implemented for the Fall 2020 intake of international students.</p> <p>The multiyear nature of this model requires careful attention to anticipated inflation over the duration of the program. Tuition was not increased for the Fall 2021 intake due to the uncertainty of covid. Tuition was increased by 2% for the Fall 2022 intake. We are proposing a 6.0% increase to program-based tuition for the Fall 2023 international cohort to cover increased costs for the entire duration of the guarantee (up to 5 years for most programs) for this group.</p> <p>This proposal is based on expected higher than normal inflationary increases over the period of time students entering their programs in Fall 2023 will be in those programs and corresponding expected increase in costs. According to the Alberta Tuition Framework, international students are expected to cover the full costs of their education.</p> <p>The motion applies only to international students admitted for the Fall 2023 term. Current international students admitted prior to Fall 2020 (the first intake in the program-based model) will continue to be</p>

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	<p>assessed tuition based on their registration and are subjected to annual increases approved by the Board of Governors.</p> <p>This increase is not expected to impact the University's competitiveness internationally, based on international tuition levels at other U15 institutions and analysis of key markets for the University of Alberta. We have shared the U15 tuition comparators for Fall 2021, the most recent data available. While we don't know the details of specific international tuition proposals at peer institutions, we nonetheless anticipate that institutions across the U15 will raise their international tuition in Fall 2023, and that the 6% increase will keep the University of Alberta in approximately the middle of the U15 for international tuition rates.</p> <p>Financial aid: 7.55% of all international tuition revenue is set aside to provide financial supports to international students. This 6% increase will provide additional funds of approximately \$200,000 for financial supports in 2023-2024 (year 1 of the cohort).</p>
Supplementary Notes and context	<This section is for use by University Governance only to outline governance process.>

Engagement and Routing (Include meeting dates)

<p>Consultation and Stakeholder Participation (parties who have seen the proposal and in what capacity)</p> <p><For information on the protocol see the Governance Resources section Student Participation Protocol></p>	<p><u>Those who are actively participating:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Office of the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) ● Office of the Vice-President (University Services and Finance) ● Strategic Analysis and Data Warehouse ● Office of the Registrar ● Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research ● Office of Resource Planning ● University of Alberta International <p><u>Those who have been consulted:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tuition Budget Advisory Committee (including representatives of the Students' Union and the Graduate Students' Association) ● Deans' Council ● President's Executive Committee
Approval Route (Governance) (including meeting dates)	<p>APC - May 18, 2022 BFPC - May 31, 2022 Board of Governors - June 17, 2022</p>

Strategic Alignment

Alignment with <i>For the Public Good</i>	<p>Build a diverse, inclusive community of exceptional students, faculty and staff from Alberta, Canada, and the world.</p> <p>Sustain our people, our work, and the environment by attracting and stewarding the resources we need to deliver excellence to the benefit of all.</p>
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<p>Alignment with Institutional Risk Indicator</p>	<p>Please note below the specific institutional risk(s) this proposal is addressing.</p>	
<p>Legislative Compliance and jurisdiction</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolment Management <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty and Staff <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Funding and Resource Management <input type="checkbox"/> IT Services, Software and Hardware <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership and Change <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Infrastructure</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Relationship with Stakeholders <input type="checkbox"/> Reputation <input type="checkbox"/> Research Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Student Success</p>
<p><i>Post-Secondary Learning Act of Alberta</i> APC Terms of Reference BFPC Terms of Reference Section 2k</p>		

Attachments

1. Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/2024 (6 pages)
2. International Tuition Inflationary Scenarios
3. International Tuition Cohort Overview
4. U15 Tuition Comparators

Prepared by: Kathleen Brough, Chief of Staff, Office of the Provost and Vice-President (Academic)

Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/24

Attachment 1

1. Undergraduate Program Based Tuition Bands

International Undergraduate Cohort	2022-2023 Program Total	2023-2024 Program Total	Percent change	Credits
Faculty of Engineering Degree Programs*	Program Total \$161,160 Annual Rate \$40,290	Program Total \$170,830 Annual Rate \$42,707	6.00%	Varies*
Faculty of Business Degree Programs (As of Fall 2022, this is a 4 year program)	Program Total \$142,800 Annual Rate \$35,700	Program Total \$151,368 Annual Rate \$37,842	6.00%	120
Degree Programs in: Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Agricultural Life and Environmental Sciences, Faculty of Kinesiology Sport and Recreation, Faculty of Science, Faculty of Open Studies	Program Total \$120,360 Annual Rate \$30,090	Program Total \$127,582 Annual Rate \$31,895	6.00%	120
Degree Programs in: Augustana Faculty, Faculte Saint Jean, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Native Studies, Faculty of Nursing	Program Total \$110,160 Annual Rate \$27,540	Program Total \$116,770 Annual Rate \$29,192	6.00%	120
BSc in Radiation Therapy	Program Total \$150,449.92 Annual Rate \$37,612.48	Program Total \$159,476.92 Annual Rate \$39,869.22	6.00%	150
BSc in Medical Laboratory Science (3 years)	Program Total \$94,278.24 Annual Rate	Program Total \$99,934.93 Annual Rate	6.00%	94

Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/24

	\$31,426.08	\$33,311.64		
Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D) (4 yrs)	Program Total \$204,000 Annual Rate \$51,000	Program Total \$216,240 Annual Rate \$54,060	6.00%	141
Juris Doctors (JD) Program (3 yrs)	Program Total \$144,781.68 Annual Rate \$48,260.56	Program Total \$153,468.58 Annual Rate \$51,156.19	6.00%	92
Doctor of Dental Surgery (4 yrs)	Program Total \$364,186.56 Annual Rate \$91,046.64	Program Total \$386,037.75 Annual Rate \$96,509.44	6.00%	214
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (3 yrs)	Program Total \$104,008.20 Annual Rate \$34,669.40	Program Total \$110,248.69 Annual Rate \$36,749.56	6.00%	99.5

Notes:

*Engineering programs vary slightly in credits pending students' choice in registrations.

**Undergraduate Certificate rates, unless otherwise stated, will be prorated based on the Undergraduate Faculty rate

***Course loads may change and Tuition Rates will always be prorated based on the approved rate.

2. Tuition for Specific Undergraduate Programs or courses not covered by the standard Undergraduate grid.

International Undergraduate Cohort	2022-2023 Payment Per Course(Indexed to 3 units of course weight)	2023-2024 Payment Per Course(Indexed to 3 units of course weight)	Percent change
English Language School – All courses taken by Undergraduate or Graduate Students (includes Bridging Program)	\$3,009	\$3,189.54	6.00%

Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/24

Rehabilitation Medicine – Undergraduate Special and Visiting Students only	\$3,009	\$3,190	6.00%
Medicine and Dentistry – Undergraduate Special and Visiting Students only	\$3,009	\$3,190	6.00%

3. Centre collégial de l'Alberta

International College	2022-2023 Program Total	2023-2024 Program Total	Percent change	Credit
Centre collégial de l'Alberta – Diploma (2 yrs)	Program Total \$25,500 Annual Rate \$12,750	Program Total \$27,030 Annual Rate \$13,515	6.00%	60
Centre collégial de l'Alberta – Certificate (1 yrs)	Program Total \$12,750 Annual Rate \$12,750	Program Total \$13,515 Annual Rate \$13,515	6.00%	30

4. Thesis based tuition for PhD and Masters Programs

2021-22 International Graduate Cohort	2022-2023	2023-2024	Percent change
Thesis Based Masters (All Specializations) - 4 Years	Program Total \$35,496 Annual Rate \$8874	Program Total \$37,626 Annual Rate \$9,406	6.00%
PhD (All Specializations) - 6 Years	Program Total \$53,244 Annual Rate \$8874	Program Total \$56,439 Annual Rate \$9,406	6.00%
All Programs – International Graduate Tuition Increases (offset by equivalent financial support)	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%

Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/24

5. Standard International Graduate Course Based rates

2021-22 International Graduate Cohort	2022-2023 Per 3 Credits	2023-2024 Per 3 Credits	Percent change
Standard Course Based Master's or Graduate Certificates	\$1,901.52	\$2,015.58	6.00%
All Course Based Master Programs – International Graduate Tuition Increase (offset by equivalent financial support)	\$4,000	\$4,000	0%

Notes:

* Includes most Master and Certificate programs and excludes non-standard rates described below

6. Non-Standard International Graduate Course Based Rates (includes Master and Certificate Programs)

Per Course Rate	2022-2023 Per 3 credit Course Rate	2023-2024 Per 3 credit Course Rate	Percent change
Master of Science – Integrated Petroleum Geosciences (Course Based)	\$3,161.22	\$3,350.89	6.00%
Master of Science in Internetworking	\$2,244.00	\$5337.69	6.00%
Master of Science Specialization Program in Multimedia, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Indigenous Sport and Recreation, Post-Baccalaureate in	\$2,040.00	\$2,162.40	6.00%

Proposed Tuition Rates for Incoming International Student 2023/24

Sports and Recreation Management			
Master of Accounting	\$4,284.00	\$4,541.04	6.00%

7. Non-Standard International Graduate Program Rates

2021-22 International Graduate Cohort	2022-2023 Program Total	2023-2024 Program Total	Percent change
Master's in Engineering (All Specializations)	\$40,290.00	\$42,707.40	6.00%
Master's in Business Administration	\$57,694.40	\$61,156.06	6.00%
Executive Master of Business Administration	\$68,340.00	\$72,440.40	6.00%
Master of Business Administration – Fort McMurray	\$45,900.00	\$48,654	6.00%
Master of Science in Orthodontics, Master of Science in Periodontology	\$16,448.80	\$17,435.73	6.00%
Doctor of Philosophy in Orthodontics, Doctor of Philosophy in Periodontology	\$11,385.64	\$12,068.78	6.00%

Effect of Inflation on Multiyear Cost Projections

	Inflation	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	4yr Total	Average	Increase
Fall 2022 Intake	2%	100.0	102.0	104.0	106.1	-	412.16	103.04	-
Fall 2023 Intake	2%	-	102.0	104.0	106.1	108.2	420.40	105.10	2.00%
	3%	-	103.0	106.1	109.3	112.6	430.91	107.73	4.55%
	4%	-	104.0	108.2	112.5	117.0	441.63	110.41	7.15%
	5%	-	105.0	110.3	115.8	121.6	452.56	113.14	9.80%

Different Scenarios (Varying Inflation)

	case	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	4yr Total	Average	Increase
Fall 2022 Intake	baseline	100	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	-	412.16	103.04	-
Fall 2023 Intake	base	100	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	420.40	105.10	2.0%
	low	100	4.0%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	432.91	108.23	5.0%
	med	100	5.0%	3.0%	2.5%	2.0%	437.07	109.27	6.0%
	high	100	5.0%	4.0%	2.5%	2.0%	440.30	110.07	6.8%

Canada CPI in Feb. 2022 was 5.7%

<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/220316/dq220316a-eng.htm>

**International Tuition Cohort Overview
Undergraduate Example - Arts and Science**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Registration Based Model*	\$22,267.20	\$23,156.40 (+4%)	\$24,081.60 (+4%)	\$25,044 (+4%)	Not Approved Yet	Course Rate***	Course Rate***	Course Rate***	Course Rate***
2020 Cohort**		\$29,500	\$29,500	\$29,500	\$29,500	Bonus Year	Course Rate***	Course rate***	Course Rate***
2021 Cohort**			\$29,500 (no change from 2020)	\$29,500	\$29,500	\$29,500	Bonus Year	Course Rate***	Course Rate***
2022 Cohort**				\$30,090 (+2% on total from 2021 cohort)	\$30,090	\$30,090	\$30,090	Bonus Year	Course Rate***

*Students admitted to the University of Alberta prior to 2020 remain on a registration based tuition model until 2024. The amount shown in the table represents what a student in a general arts and science program will pay for 10 courses.

**Arts and Science rate

***If a student is still taking courses after their guaranteed time frame (generally 4 years plus 1), they will pay for courses at the approved course based rate for that year.

A Detailed FAQ related to the University of Alberta tuition model for International students can be found [here](#).

U15 International and Domestic Tuition and Fees, 2021-22

As shown in Table 1, U of A's international undergraduate tuition is \$29,500 (or \$30,328 when MNIFs are considered) for the Fall 2021 intake, although the rate is still slightly lower than the U15 average.

U of A's international tuition for the M.A. program is higher than only three institutions, namely Calgary, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan.

When MNIFs are included, U of A's international tuition & fee for the M.A. program is higher than UBC and the three institutions noted above.

Overall, the U of A's international tuition (and fees) at the M.A. level is considerably lower than the U15 average, whereas at the PhD level, the gap is smaller.

Table 1. International Tuition for BA, MA, & PhD, 2021-2022

2021-22 Tuition	International								
	Arts & Social Science Undergraduate			MA			PhD		
	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total
University of Alberta	\$ 29,500	\$ 828	\$ 30,328	\$ 8,700	\$ 1,021	\$ 9,721	\$ 8,700	\$ 1,021	\$ 9,721
Dalhousie University	\$ 23,286	\$ 1,451	\$ 24,737	\$ 16,014	\$ 1,716	\$ 17,730	\$ 6,519	\$ 1,716	\$ 8,235
McMaster University	\$ 37,237	\$ 687	\$ 37,923	\$ 17,096	\$ 271	\$ 17,368	\$ 6,307	\$ 271	\$ 6,579
Queen's University	\$ 50,926	\$ 568	\$ 51,494	\$ 12,927	\$ 377	\$ 13,304	\$ 12,927	\$ 377	\$ 13,304
University of British Columbia	\$ 41,156	\$ 275	\$ 41,431	\$ 9,131	\$ 235	\$ 9,367	\$ 9,131	\$ 235	\$ 9,367
University of Calgary	\$ 22,189	\$ 719	\$ 22,908	\$ 8,081	\$ 521	\$ 8,602	\$ 8,081	\$ 521	\$ 8,602
University of Manitoba	\$ 16,620	\$ 544	\$ 17,164	\$ 7,133	\$ 650	\$ 7,783	\$ 3,808	\$ 650	\$ 4,458
University of Ottawa	\$ 36,161	\$ 325	\$ 36,486	\$ 25,472	\$ 304	\$ 25,776	\$ 6,367	\$ 304	\$ 6,671
University of Saskatchewan	\$ 20,130	\$ 283	\$ 20,413	\$ 8,096	\$ 338	\$ 8,435	\$ 8,096	\$ 338	\$ 8,435
University of Toronto	\$ 58,160	\$ 1,033	\$ 59,193	\$ 26,210	\$ 1,033	\$ 27,243	\$ 6,210	\$ 1,033	\$ 7,243
University of Waterloo	\$ 42,520	\$ 469	\$ 42,989	\$ 22,416	\$ 598	\$ 23,014	\$ 22,188	\$ 598	\$ 22,786
Western University	\$ 36,208	\$ 513	\$ 36,721	\$ 18,984	\$ 541	\$ 19,525	\$ 6,360	\$ 541	\$ 6,901
McGill University	\$ 26,500	\$ 1,360	\$ 27,860	\$ 18,662	\$ 1,281	\$ 19,943	\$ 16,751	\$ 1,281	\$ 18,032
Universite de Montreal	\$ 24,608	\$ 1,104	\$ 25,712	\$ 27,993	\$ 1,661	\$ 29,654	\$ 25,126	\$ 1,660	\$ 26,786
Universite Laval	\$ 19,916	\$ 718	\$ 20,634	\$ 15,933	\$ 718	\$ 16,651	\$ 20,101	\$ 874	\$ 20,975
AVERAGE (Excluding U of A)	\$ 32,544	\$ 718	\$ 33,262	\$ 16,725	\$ 732	\$ 17,457	\$ 11,284	\$ 743	\$ 12,027

Sources:

U15 2021-2022 Tuition & Fees results

Institutions' tuition & fees websites

As shown in Table 2, domestic undergraduate tuition at the U of A is the sixth lowest in the country, approximately 9% lower than the U15 average.

When MNIFs are included, the U of A becomes the seventh lowest in the country, about 6% lower than the U15 average.

Domestic graduate tuition is substantially lower than the U15 average. Approximately 37% below the U15 average at the masters level (or 28% when MNIFs are included) and 18% below the U15 average at the PhD level (or 9% when MNIFs are included).

Table 2. Domestic Tuition for BA, MA, & PhD, 2021-2022

2021-22 Tuition	Domestic								
	Arts & Social Science			MA			PhD		
	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total	Tuition	MNIFs retained by Institution	Total
University of Alberta	\$ 6,091	\$ 828	\$ 6,919	\$ 4,193	\$ 1,021	\$ 5,214	\$ 4,193	\$ 1,021	\$ 5,214
Dalhousie University	\$ 8,346	\$ 710	\$ 9,056	\$ 8,835	\$ 975	\$ 9,810	\$ 6,519	\$ 975	\$ 7,494
McMaster University	\$ 6,224	\$ 687	\$ 6,910	\$ 6,307	\$ 271	\$ 6,579	\$ 6,307	\$ 271	\$ 6,579
Queen's University	\$ 6,083	\$ 568	\$ 6,651	\$ 5,773	\$ 377	\$ 6,150	\$ 5,773	\$ 377	\$ 6,150
University of British Columbia	\$ 5,617	\$ 275	\$ 5,892	\$ 5,198	\$ 235	\$ 5,433	\$ 5,198	\$ 235	\$ 5,433
University of Calgary	\$ 6,166	\$ 719	\$ 6,885	\$ 3,464	\$ 521	\$ 3,985	\$ 3,464	\$ 521	\$ 3,985
University of Manitoba	\$ 4,352	\$ 544	\$ 4,895	\$ 3,808	\$ 650	\$ 4,458	\$ 3,808	\$ 650	\$ 4,458
University of Ottawa	\$ 6,088	\$ 325	\$ 6,413	\$ 7,370	\$ 304	\$ 7,675	\$ 6,367	\$ 304	\$ 6,671
University of Saskatchewan	\$ 6,710	\$ 283	\$ 6,993	\$ 4,473	\$ 338	\$ 4,811	\$ 4,473	\$ 338	\$ 4,811
University of Toronto	\$ 6,100	\$ 1,033	\$ 7,133	\$ 6,210	\$ 1,033	\$ 7,243	\$ 6,210	\$ 1,033	\$ 7,243
University of Waterloo	\$ 6,128	\$ 469	\$ 6,597	\$ 6,762	\$ 598	\$ 7,360	\$ 6,762	\$ 598	\$ 7,360
Western University	\$ 6,050	\$ 513	\$ 6,563	\$ 6,360	\$ 541	\$ 6,901	\$ 6,360	\$ 541	\$ 6,901
McGill University	\$ 8,506	\$ 1,360	\$ 9,866	\$ 8,506	\$ 1,281	\$ 9,787	\$ 2,725	\$ 1,281	\$ 4,006
Universite de Montreal	\$ 8,506	\$ 1,104	\$ 9,610	\$ 12,758	\$ 1,661	\$ 14,419	\$ 4,088	\$ 1,660	\$ 5,748
Universite Laval	\$ 8,506	\$ 718	\$ 9,224	\$ 6,804	\$ 718	\$ 7,523	\$ 3,270	\$ 874	\$ 4,145
AVERAGE (Excluding U of A)	\$ 6,670	\$ 665	\$ 7,335	\$ 6,616	\$ 679	\$ 7,295	\$ 5,095	\$ 690	\$ 5,785

Sources:

U15 2021-2022 Tuition & Fees results

Institutions' tuition & fees websites

NOTES:

McGill University, Laval University, and U de Montreal domestic tuition, and McMaster University domestic undergraduate tuition, is for out-of-province students.

Undergraduate data are for an Arts & Social Science program, except for U of British Columbia, which is from an Arts program. Data for UBC's Arts & Social Science program are unavailable in the U15 report.

U of Saskatchewan & U of Calgary Arts & Social Science International Tuition was taken from the university website.

U of Manitoba tuition amounts are obtained from the U15 report, because of differing values on the university website.

Graduate tuition is for the first year of an MA/PhD program. Laval University (Masters only), McGill University, and U of Toronto are for two semesters. All other institutions and programs are for three semesters.

Dalhousie University, McMaster University, U of Manitoba, U of Ottawa, U of Toronto, and Western University do not have an international tuition differential for the PhD program.

Dalhousie University PhD tuition is \$6,519 for the majority of programs, but a PhD in Arts and Social Science is \$4,395.

U de Montreal has changed reporting for graduate programs (both domestic and international) from 24 credits to 3 terms, which is considered 45 credits.

The MNIFs for all institutions were obtained from the U15 report. Validation against institution websites were conducted on a best-attempt basis, as fees between institutions are not always consistent or the websites are not clear on which fees are included.

U of Ottawa's and Dalhousie University's MNIFs numbers have been adjusted to reflect two terms (undergraduate) or three terms (graduate), as in the U15 report they only reported for one term.

MNIFs generally include Athletics, College/Faculty Activity Fees, General Student Service Fee, Health Service, and Other Fees.

The University of Alberta's calculations for "MNIFs retained by Institution" are based on two (undergraduate) or three (graduate) terms of study.

Laval University has a declining graduate tuition structure, which charges continuing fees after the first 2 sessions, for both domestic and international MA and PhD students.

McGill University has a declining graduate tuition structure, which offers a different rate for additional sessions, for both domestic and international MA and PhD students.

U of Manitoba has a declining graduate tuition structure, which charges 1 term of graduate tuition then continuing fees, for both domestic and international MA and PhD students.

U de Montreal has a declining graduate tuition structure, which offers a different rate during the thesis portion of the graduate program, for both domestic and international MA and PhD students.

Dalhousie University has declining tuition at the MA level, after the first three semesters, for both international and domestic students.

At UBC, domestic graduate students are only placed on the declining tuition schedule if they have not finished their programs within a defined period of time.

U of Ottawa offers an International Differential Exemption for those MA students enrolled in a French or French-immersion program, which amounts to approximately \$15,000 for three terms.



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Definitions

1(1) In this Regulation,

- (a) “academic year” means the academic year of the institution, as set or confirmed by notice in writing given by the Minister to the institution;
- (b) “Act” means the *Post-secondary Learning Act*;
- (c) repealed AR 248/2021 s2;

- (d) “approved program” means a program approved by the Minister under the *Programs of Study Regulation* (AR 91/2009) or for the purposes of section 1(1)(m) of the *Student Financial Assistance Act*;
 - (e) “distance delivery program” means an approved program in which
 - (i) all or most of the courses are delivered away from any permanent campus of the institution, and
 - (ii) the individuals taking the courses are not in direct, in-person contact with each other or with the instructor on a regular basis for all or most of the courses;
 - (f) and (g) repealed AR 190/2019 s2;
 - (h) “institution” means a public post-secondary institution, other than Banff Centre;
 - (i) “international student” means a student other than a domestic student;
 - (j) “off-campus cost recovery instruction program” means an approved program for which
 - (i) instruction is wholly or predominantly delivered outside Alberta and away from any permanent campus of the institution, and
 - (ii) no funding is provided by the Department of the Government administered by the Minister;
 - (k) “student exchange program” means an approved program in which 2 institutions establish a reciprocal agreement that allows a student to pay tuition fees at the student’s home institution outside of Canada and to register and study at the host institution in Alberta, with credit transferred back to the home institution;
 - (l) “third party contract” means a contract between a third party and a board for the delivery of a program to the clients of the third party with the third party funding the cost for the delivery of the program to its clients.
- (2)** In the Act and this Regulation,
- (a)-(d) repealed AR 248/2021 s2;

- (e) “exceptional tuition fee increase” means an increase to tuition fees that is ordered by the Minister under section 5 or 5.1;
- (f) “mandatory non-instructional fees” means fees to be paid by a student to an institution in respect of specific goods or services that are required for the student to complete an approved program or apprenticeship technical training, and that are
 - (i) not tuition fees as defined in clause (h), and
 - (ii) not membership fees for a student organization;
- (g) “students’ council” means, except as provided otherwise by section 5(1), the council of a student organization;
- (h) “tuition fees” means
 - (i) fees identified in the institution’s calendar or in a supplement to its calendar as tuition fees,
 - (ii) fees for instruction for courses that are part of approved programs,
 - (iii) fees for apprenticeship technical training, or
 - (iv) fees to be paid by a student to the institution for materials and services that facilitate instruction for courses referred to in subclause (ii) or that facilitate training referred to in subclause (iii),other than
 - (v) fees for courses taken as part of a distance delivery program by individuals who do not reside in Alberta,
 - (vi) fees for off-campus cost recovery instruction programs,
 - (vii) fees for courses provided under a third party contract,
 - (viii) fees for equipment or materials that are retained or leased by the student, or
 - (ix) fees charged in respect of work placements or practicum experience where the persons or unincorporated bodies providing the work placement or practicum experience do not receive funding from the Government of Alberta in respect of it.

AR 228/2018 s1;190/2019;248/2021

Calculation of change in Alberta CPI

2 For the purposes of sections 61(3)(a) and 61.01(3)(a) of the Act, the percentage annual change in the Alberta CPI is the percentage determined by the formula:

$$X\% = \frac{(A - B)}{B} \times 100$$

where

X% is the percentage annual change in the Alberta CPI;

A is the sum of the 12 individual monthly Alberta CPI indexes for the 12-month period ending on June 30 of the calendar year that ended before the commencement of the academic year for which the fee increase is being calculated;

B is the sum of the 12 individual monthly Alberta CPI indexes for the 12-month period immediately preceding the 12-month period referred to in A.

Calculation of average tuition fees

3 The Minister may establish the manner in which institutions shall calculate average tuition fees per student for the purpose of section 61(3)(a) of the Act.

Additional fee cap

4(1) A board shall not increase, under section 61(3)(a) of the Act, the tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of an approved program or apprenticeship technical training by more than 10% of the amount of the tuition fees that were to be paid in respect of the approved program or apprenticeship technical training in the last academic year in which the approved program or apprenticeship technical training was offered.

(2) Repealed AR 248/2021 s3.

AR 228/2018 s4;190/2019;248/2021

Exceptional tuition fee increase to improve program quality

5(1) In this section and section 5.1, “students’ council” means the council of a student organization that represents the students enrolled in the approved program or apprenticeship technical training for which an exceptional tuition fee increase is being sought.

(2) A board may, after consulting with the students’ council, submit an application in writing requesting that the Minister

approve an increase to tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of an approved program or apprenticeship technical training.

(3) Subject to section 5.2, where the Minister receives an application under subsection (2) and the Minister is satisfied that a tuition fee increase is necessary or desirable for the purpose of improving the quality of the approved program or apprenticeship technical training, the Minister may, by order,

- (a) approve an increase to tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of the approved program or apprenticeship technical training in the amount that the Minister considers appropriate,
- (b) specify to which students the increase applies, which must not include the students who are enrolled in the approved program or apprenticeship technical training for the academic year in which the Minister approves the increase, and
- (c) specify any other terms and conditions applicable to the increase that the Minister considers appropriate.

(4) The order must specify the date on which it takes effect.

AR 228/2018 s5;190/2019;248/2021

Exceptional tuition fee increase with consent of board and students' council

5.1(1) A board and a students' council may jointly submit an application in writing requesting that the Minister approve an increase to tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of an approved program or apprenticeship technical training.

(2) Subject to subsection (4) and section 5.2, where the Minister receives an application under subsection (1), the Minister may, by order,

- (a) approve an increase to tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of the approved program or apprenticeship technical training in the amount that the Minister considers appropriate,
- (b) specify to which students the increase applies, and
- (c) specify any other terms and conditions applicable to the increase that the Minister considers appropriate.

(3) The order must specify the date on which it takes effect.

(4) Before making an order under subsection (2), the Minister shall obtain written consent to its content from the board and students' council that made the joint application.

AR 248/2021 s4

Restriction on frequency of exceptional tuition fee increases

5.2(1) In this section, "former regulation" means this Regulation as it read before the coming into force of section 1(8) of the *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

(2) No application or order for an exceptional tuition fee increase may be made under section 5 or 5.1 in respect of an approved program or apprenticeship technical training unless at least 5 years have elapsed since any previous increase in tuition fees in respect of the approved program or apprenticeship technical training was ordered under section 5 or 5.1 or any section of the former regulation.

AR 248/2021 s4

6 Repealed AR 248/2021 s5.

Mandatory non-instructional fees

7(1) A board shall set a mandatory non-instructional fee only in respect of specific goods or services, and if a mandatory non-instructional fee is set in respect of a group of specific goods and services, the goods and services must be related.

(2) Repealed AR 190/2019 s4.

AR 228/2018 s7;190/2019

Consultations

8(1) A board shall

- (a) provide in each academic year to each of the institution's students' councils
 - (i) a statement of anticipated increases to tuition fees and mandatory non-instructional fees for a 4-year period, and
 - (ii) all necessary information to compare the revenue from mandatory non-instructional fees to the costs of the specific goods and services in respect of which each mandatory non-instructional fee is set,

and

- (b) establish a mechanism with each of the institution's students' councils for holding consultations to discuss increases to tuition fees and mandatory non-instructional fees to allow for ongoing input by each students' council to the budget process relative to the determination of those fees.

(2) The consultation mechanism referred to in subsection (1)(b) must

- (a) include an outline of the process for communications and the holding of consultations, and
- (b) provide for at least 2 meetings per year.

Publication of fees and fee policies

9 A board shall publish annually, in the institution's calendar or in a supplement to its calendar,

- (a) the tuition fees set by the board,
- (b) the mandatory non-instructional fees set by the board, and
- (c) the fee policies set by the board.

AR 228/2018 s9;248/2021

International student tuition fees

10(1) This section applies in respect of the 2020-2021 academic year and subsequent academic years.

(2) When an institution makes an offer of admission to an international student, the institution shall inform the international student, in accordance with the guidelines set by the Minister, of the maximum amount of the tuition fees that the international student may be required to pay for each academic year of the approved program in which the international student is enrolled based on the standard length of the approved program.

(3) The tuition fees to be paid by an international student in respect of an approved program must not be set at or increased to an amount that is more than the maximum amount of the tuition fees referred to in subsection (2) while the international student continues to be enrolled in the approved program and the duration of the standard length of that approved program has not elapsed.

(4) This section does not apply in respect of fees to be paid by an international student attending an institution as part of a student exchange program.

AR 228/2018 s10;190/2019

11 Repealed AR 248/2021 s7.

**Tuition fee increases for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022
and 2022-2023 academic years**

11.1 In setting the tuition fees for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 academic years, a board may increase the tuition fees to be paid by domestic students if the average tuition fee increase per domestic student does not exceed the product of the average tuition fees per domestic student in the preceding academic year multiplied by 7%.

AR 190/2019 s5

**Transitional — calculating average tuition fees
for the 2022-2023 academic year**

11.2(1) In this section and section 11.3,

- (a) “apprenticeship instructional fees” means fees to be paid by a student to an institution in respect of instruction in apprenticeship technical training;
- (b) “apprenticeship material and service fees” means mandatory fees to be paid by a student to an institution for materials and services that facilitate instruction in apprenticeship technical training, but does not include fees for equipment or materials that are retained or leased by the student;
- (c) “former Act” means the *Post-secondary Learning Act* as it read before the coming into force of section 1(8) of the *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

(2) In calculating the average tuition fees per domestic student in the preceding academic year under section 11.1 for the purposes of setting the tuition fees for the 2022-2023 academic year, any apprenticeship instructional fees and any apprenticeship material and service fees that were required to be paid under section 61.01 of the former Act in respect of apprenticeship technical training in the preceding academic year must be included in the calculation as if they were tuition fees.

AR 248/2021 s8

**Transitional — fee cap for apprenticeship technical training
for 2022-2023 academic year**

11.3 A board shall not increase the tuition fees to be paid by domestic students in respect of apprenticeship technical training for the 2022-2023 academic year by more than 10% of the total of the apprenticeship instructional fees and apprenticeship material and service fees, if any, that were required to be paid under the former

Act in respect of the apprenticeship technical training in the last academic year in which the apprenticeship technical training was offered.

AR 248/2021 s8

12 Repealed AR 190/2019 s6.

Repeal

13 The *Public Post-secondary Institutions' Tuition Fees Regulation (AR 273/2006)* is repealed.

Coming into force

14 This Regulation comes into force on February 1, 2019.



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Overview

In a newly revealed proposal, the University aims to increase tuition for the 2023 cohort of international students by 6%. (For example, the total cost of an international student's four-year Science degree would rise by around \$7200.)

While the University stands to gain millions of dollars from this increase, they might delay or reduce the increase under pressure from students. Working to prevent, delay, or reduce this proposed increase could save students millions of dollars in coming years. (For example, because international students pay such staggering tuition, even reducing the 6% increase to 5% would save an Arts student \$300 per year compared to the University's current plan, and could save incoming students over \$400,000 in 2023/24.)

The UASU Executive team and support staff are working to fight the new proposal on multiple fronts. This briefing aims to give Councilors context and a sense of ways they can help.

International Tuition Increases — Past and Future

International tuition remains very expensive relative to inflation. An international student starting in 2023 will pay 35% more for their degree than a student who started in 2019 — but meanwhile, the Alberta Consumer Price Index (CPI) will only have increased by ~15%, even considering a recent inflation spike.

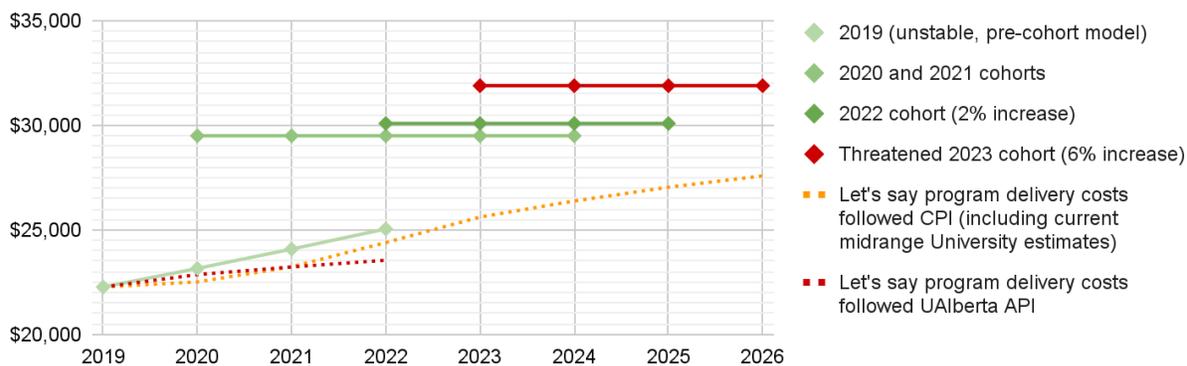
The University estimates its cost increases with its own Academic Price Index, but the 6% proposal's budget scenarios rely on CPI, which was much higher even before the recent spike. (Note that [the year-over-year API was only 1.38% in March](#) and [1.6% last year](#).) As a result, the cost projections used to justify the proposal are likely far too high. Looking at current and proposed tuition rates and where estimated program delivery costs may be, the difference is roughly \$6500 per year for a student in an Arts or Science program.

Until 2019, international tuition varied widely and unexpectedly. International students in Alberta and other provinces fought for predictability. The cohort model was a hard-won compromise that gave international students a crucial up-front guarantee about the cost of their whole degree.

The downside of this compromise was that the cohort model would cost somewhat more to protect against future inflation variation — and the University quickly got the provincial government to agree to a high tuition rate. The cohort model, while

providing students with essential predictability, gives the University an incentive to overestimate inflation.

One year of international undergraduate tuition (Arts or Science)



In short, international tuition is much higher than it needs to be, and the 6% increase will put even greater pressure on students.

Timeline

University leadership is attempting to pass this proposal very quickly:

- May 18th — Academic Planning Committee
- May 31st — Board Finance and Property Committee
- June 17th — Board of Governors
- Fall 2023 — tuition increase takes effect for incoming cohort

The next Board of Governors meeting is in October 2022, so University leadership will be reluctant to delay the proposal.

President Abner Monteiro will be bringing forward student concerns to these meetings, including letters of opposition. In recent years, students' letters of opposition have made a major impact in contentious situations. If you are comfortable writing or signing a letter like this, please speak with President Monteiro.

APC, BFPC, and the Board conduct much of their business in open session. Registering to watch these meetings as a visitor sends a signal that students are paying attention. Please be polite with the University's excellent governance staff — none of this is their fault!

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Reporting what happens in these meetings on social media — live or afterward — can be extremely valuable.

Problems with Consultation

The University often struggles to hold itself to the consultation standards found in the [University of Alberta Student Participation Process Handbook](#). Private, infrequent Tuition and Budget Advisory Committee (TBAC) meetings are not sufficient consultation. An international tuition increase was discussed at TBAC in April, during UASU Executive transition. The speed and impact of the recently unveiled proposal came as an unwelcome surprise.

We need stronger, more binding standards for consultation on major items like tuition. For example, international students should be consulted on serious international tuition increases.

The Executives are requesting that the Provost come to Students' Council for consultation, where Councilors can engage with the tuition hike proposal in depth.