

# University of Connecticut Office of the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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TO:

Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM:

Peter J. Nicholls

**Provost** 

Richard D. Grav

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

RE:

Fiscal Year 2013 Student Activity & Service Fees for the University of

Connecticut, Storrs and Regional Campuses

### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve a schedule of Student Activity and Service Fees for Fiscal Year 2013 comprised of increases in the General University Fee of 4.2% for undergraduate students and 4.3% for graduate students, and an increase in the Transit Fee of 42.9%.

### BACKGROUND:

The University has an established student fee review process that categorizes the fees as follows: (1.) Institutional Fees, which require central administrative approval, such as Tuition, Room, Board, Infrastructure Maintenance Fee and self-supporting programs; (2.) Academic Materials Fees, which are for consumables and instructional materials that are specific to a particular course or major; and (3.) Student Fees, which include the General University Fee and student activity and service fees. Senior Management charged permanent committees with promoting a fee structure for the academic and student fees that supports excellence, provides comprehensive procedures, and is uniform without sacrificing efficiency and flexibility. The committees are comprised of students, faculty, and administrative representatives. This fee proposal was presented to and approved by the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs.

See attached schedule for summary of recommended annual Student Activity and Service Fees.

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### University of Connecticut (Storrs & Regionals) Summary of Recommended Annual Student Activity & Service Fees Fiscal Year 2013

Fees designated as "student activity and service fees" include the General University Fee (GUF), the Student Activity Fees and the Service Fees (Parking and Transit). These fees are typically paid by all students thus making it desirable to have students involved in the fee establishment, continuation and review process. These fees are recommended by the Student Activity and Service Fee Advisory Committee.

		Annual Rates				
	FY 2012 Current	FY 2013 Proposed	% Increase			
General University Fee						
Undergraduate-Storrs	\$1,704	\$1,776	4.2%			
Graduate-Storrs	\$1,260	\$1,314	4.3%			
Transit Fee-Storrs Campus	\$70	\$100	42.9%			

### **General University Fee (GUF) Funded Programs**

The Student Fee Advisory Committee recommends that the GUF rate be increased by 4.2% for FY 2013 to support the continuation of current programs offered by GUF funded units. This funding represents increases of 3% to 5% for most units, with the exception of Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts which received a 13.6% increase in GUF funding. This increase is recommended by Senior Administration as Jorgensen has not requested sufficient funding from GUF in recent years and was incurring deficits. Beginning in FY 2012, Parking and Transportation became an auxiliary enterprise. At that time, it moved from being partially funded from tuition revenue to being partially funded from the GUF. FY 2013 funding is recommended as follows:

Student Health Services	\$9,564,217
One Card Office	\$270,150
Jorgensen Center for Performing Arts	\$1,249,660
Division of Athletics	\$9,640,217
UConn Marching Band	\$295,645
Student Union	\$3,207,010
Student Activities	\$4,512,102
Fraternity & Sorority Life	\$441,186
Career Services	\$1,366,739
Wellness and Prevention Services	\$986,789
Off-Campus Student Services	\$298,359
Parking & Transportation	\$783,370

### **Storrs Transit Fee**

Beginning in the Fall 2012 semester, the Committee recommends the Storrs Transit Fee be raised from \$70 per year to \$100 per year. The primary rationale for this increase is for Transportation Services to become self-supporting.

## University of Connecticut (Storrs and Regional Campuses) General University Fee Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013

FY 2012 Current								
	Undergrad	Undergraduates -		Graduates/Professional Schools <sup>(A)</sup>				
	Storrs/Reg	Storrs/Regionals						
Classification	# of Credits	Annual Rate	Graduate Assistant # of Credits	Annual Rate	Non-Grad Assistant # of Credits	Annual Rate		
Storrs:								
Full-Time	(12 or more)	\$1,704	(0 - 9)	\$1,260	(9)	\$1,260		
Half-Time	(6 - 11)	\$852			(5 - 8)	\$840		
Less Than Half-Time	(1 - 5)	\$426			(0 - 4)	\$420		
Regional Campuses:								
Torrington		\$72						
Other than Torrington		\$108						
Professional:								
School of Law						\$72		
School of Social Work						\$72		

### FY 2013 Proposed

	Undergraduates - Storrs/Regionals		Graduates/Professional School			s <sup>(A)</sup>
Classification	# of Credits	Annual Rate	Graduate Assistant # of Credits	Annual Rate	Non-Grad Assistant # of Credits	Annual Rate
Storrs:						
Full-Time	(12 or more)	\$1,776	(0 - 9)	\$1,314	(9)	\$1,314
Half-Time	(6 - 11)	\$888			(5 - 8)	\$876
Less Than Half-Time	(1 - 5)	\$444			(0 - 4)	\$438
Regional Campuses:						
Torrington		\$74				
Other than Torrington		\$112				
Professional:						
School of Law						\$74
School of Social Work						\$74

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(A)</sup> Graduate Assistants are classified as full-time students and are charged the full-time rate. Continuous Registration Students who are registered for GRAD 5998, 5999, 6998 and 6999 are less than half-time students and are therefore charged the less than half-time rate.