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Request to Implement a New Fee - Regulation 7.003(23)**

University: University of South Florida

Date	
University Board of Trustees approval date:	December 8 th 2011
Proposed fall implementation date (year):	2012
Description	
New fee title:	<p>Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee.</p> <p>USF Student Government leadership, with the support of USF administration, is proposing an Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee, for implementation in Fall 2012; <u>all students</u> will be eligible to benefit from this fee. The new fee will provide distinct educational benefits, a high value proposition and an added competitive advantage for students leading to enhanced student success through higher rates of retention, attainment, graduation and job placement/employment. New programs and services will include, but not be limited to, enhanced career counseling and job placement, high impact community and global engagement activities, cooperative education and internships, together with undergraduate and graduate research experiences.</p> <p>Note: (1) this fee will not raise costs for students -- it will be cost neutral in 2012-13 academic year; and (2) students on each USF campus/institution will determine whether or not to implement the fee.</p>
Amount of new fee (per credit hour if applicable):	Assuming the State Legislature approves a base tuition increase for academic year 2012-13, the USF Student Financial Aid Fee and Technology Fee (each capped at 5% of base tuition) might be expected to rise. USF agrees to freeze any such increases for these two fees at the current (2011-12 academic year) rate for participating campuses/

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institutions for the 2012-13 academic year. The available, combined increase will be dedicated to the proposed Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee. The resultant range would be:

- 0% UG base tuition increase (\$103.32) = \$0.0/SCH available for allocation to the new fee (in which case the proposed new fee would not be implemented).
- 8% UG base tuition increase (\$111.58) = \$0.81/SCH available for allocation to the new fee.
- 15% UG base tuition increase (\$118.82) = \$1.56/SCH available for allocation to the new fee.

Therefore, depending upon the base tuition level approved by the State Legislature, the undergraduate Student Financial Aid Fee and Technology Fee will each be capped at the current rate of \$5.16/SCH for the 2012-13 academic year. Thus, an 8% base tuition increase would allow for implementation of a \$0.81/SCH fee (or \$24.30 per year for a full-time UG student), and a 15% base tuition increase would effectively cap the proposed Academic Enrichment and Opportunity fee at \$1.56/SCH (or \$46.80 per year for a full-time UG student). This would represent a cost neutral fee adjustment for students.

In the event that the new fee would not be implemented by a USF campus/institution, the Financial Aid Fee and the Technology Fee would remain unaffected and realize their customary increases for that campus/institution.

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Proposed new fee as a percentage of tuition:¹	At \$0.81/SCH the fee would represent 0.73% of UG base tuition (at \$111.58/SCH). At \$1.56/SCH the fee would represent 1.31% of UG base tuition (at \$118.82/SCH).
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Purpose

Describe the purpose to be served or accomplished with this fee:

This new fee is needed to fund new and expanded opportunities for students to pursue co-op learning in business and industry settings; to engage in undergraduate and graduate research with faculty mentors; to support community and global engagement; and to extend career counseling and job placement for students.

The proposed Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee will significantly enhance the educational experience and academic success of students at the University of South Florida. Revenues will provide access to new and diverse learning opportunities outside the classroom for all students, and will provide a value-added education and competitive advantage upon graduation, as aligned with the University's strategic priorities.

The new fee also supports the goals of the SUS' Strategic Plan, 2012-2025. The fee will provide funding for the design and implementation of new academic enrichment programs and expanded learning opportunities including, but not limited to, career counseling and job placement, high impact community and global engagement activities, cooperative education and internships, together with undergraduate and graduate research experiences.

Demonstrable Student-Based Need / Involvement

Describe the student-based need for the fee that is currently not being met through existing services, operations, or another fee:

A survey of USF [Tampa] students, conducted in Fall 2011, revealed support for a cost neutral Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee, which would provide support for new student-centered educational programs aligned with career counseling and job placement, high impact community and global engagement, cooperative education and internships, together with undergraduate and graduate research.

Implementation of the proposed new fee will support the much-needed delivery of transformational, value-added, learning experiences that presently do not exist and cannot be

¹ If a student is required to pay this fee as a part of registration for a course, the fee shall not exceed 10 percent of tuition. See Regulation 7.003(23)(b).

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supported from other fund sources. Activities will include: broad-based, faculty-mentored student research experiences; real-world cooperative educational experiences with business and industry; transforming career counseling and job placement programming for USF graduates; and significantly expanded service learning and engagement activities in both local and global communities, building upon USF's and USF SP's classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, as a "community engaged university" and USF's status as a high impact [global research] university classification by the University of Western Australia.

Describe the process used to assure substantial student input or involvement:

USF student government leadership has initiated and developed a thoughtful and creative proposal in concert with university administration. Student leaders utilized the results of student polls, interviews and extended deliberations to shape their proposal. The resulting proposal takes into account a strong desire to provide USF students and graduates with a high value proposition, a world class education and competitive advantage. In considering the current economic climate and the increasing cost of attendance at USF, the proposal represents a cost neutral fee adjustment for students.

Before a member campus/institution of the USF System implements the Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee, a referendum of USF's student body (by campus/institution) must be called by the student legislative body and conducted by Student Government. The referendum must include the proposed amount of the fee and an explanation of the purpose. The USF Board of Trustees may not implement the fee without the approval of a majority of those students (by campus/institution) participating in the referendum. The initial amount of the fee must be in accordance with the referendum described above and may be changed only if approved by a referendum of USF's student body (by campus/institution) called for by the student legislative body and conducted by the Student Government.

An Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee Committee will be established, at each campus/institution that elects to implement the fee, to administer the new fee. Fifty percent of the committee must be students, representative of the broad, campus/institution student body and appointed by the local Student Government President. The remainder of the committee shall be appointed by the USF President or designee (e.g. the Regional Chancellor in the case of a member campus/institution). A chair, appointed jointly by the USF President, or his/her designee, and the Student Body President, shall vote only in the case of a tie. The committee will make recommendations to the USF President, or his/her designee, and the USF Board of Trustees regarding how the revenue from the fee is to be spent along with any changes to the fee.

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Student Impact

Explain the financial impact of the fee on students, including those with financial need:

Because USF is proposing that the new Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee will result in a cost neutral fee adjustment for students, there will be no fee increase other than would ordinarily be anticipated (to the already established Financial Aid Fee and Technology Fee) as a result of a base tuition increase in academic year 2012-13. If the new fee is implemented, USF will allocate institutional funds to balance any new financial aid revenues that would be anticipated with a tuition increase for the 2012-13 academic year (with the financial aid fee frozen at 2011-12 levels).

Restrictions / Limitations

Identify any proposed restrictions, limitations, or conditions to be placed on the new fee:

Proposed fee revenue distributions will be considered/approved annually by the Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee Committee at each member campus/institution electing to implement the fee, comprised of equal numbers of students and faculty/administration, and should adhere generally to the following shares ($\pm 5\%$, by category, in any given year):

- 25% to support faculty (postdoctoral fellow and/or graduate) mentored student research experiences,
- 25% to support education abroad and global engagement activities,
- 20% to support career counseling and job placement,
- 15% to support service learning and student community engagement activities, and
- 15% to support cooperative education and internship programs with business and industry.

Revenues / Expenditures

Annual estimated revenue to be collected:

\$751,704 at USF [Tampa]

Describe the service or operation to be implemented and estimated expenditures (attach operating budget expenditure form):

Revenue at 8% tuition increase: The proposed range of new revenues will be \$563,628 for undergraduates (based upon $\$0.81 \times$ AY 2010-11 enrollment of 695,837 SCH) and \$188,076 for graduate students (based upon $\$1.42 \times$ AY 2010-11 enrollment of 132,448 SCH), at USF [Tampa].

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Accountability Measures

Indicate how the university will monitor the success of the new fee. Provide specific performance metrics that will be used.

The following performance metrics will be integrated into USF's well-developed and nationally recognized *Planning, Performance and Accountability* matrix and performance dashboard:

- The number/percentage of USF students (UG and GR) actively engaged in high impact, faculty-mentored and post-doctoral fellow/graduate student-mentored research experiences (measures will also include USF student research presentations and publications, as well as competitive research and travel grants received),
- The number/percentage of USF students (UG and GR) actively engaged in meaningful community engagement and service learning activities,
- The number/percentage of USF students (UG and GR) actively engaged in meaningful education abroad and global engagement activities,
- Retention, engagement (as measured by NSSE) and graduation rates of students participating in programs funded by the new Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee, compared to the broader student population,
- The number of USF students participating in cooperative education/internship programs delivered in partnership with business and industry, and
- Student satisfaction and success resulting from career counseling and job placement programs resulting from the Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee.

Other Information

This is a USF student-generated and student-supported request for the authority to hold campus/institution specific student referenda to determine if they wish to support the Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee and at what level. This follows the process approved by the USF BOT/BOG for implementation of the Green Energy Fee.

USF understands the statutory requirements including F.S. 1010.62 and 10213.23 and will comply with all the terms of those provisions.

All students will be eligible to benefit from the new programs funded by Academic Enrichment and Opportunity fee.

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Available Balances
University: _____ University of South Florida _____
Fiscal Year 2011-2012 and 2012-13

Fee Title: Academic Enrichment and Opportunity Fee (NEW for 2012/2013)

	² Estimated Actual 2011-12 -----	Estimated 2012-13 -----
<u>Balance Forward from Prior Periods</u>		
Balance Forward	\$ -	\$ -
Less: Prior-Year Encumbrances	-	-
Beginning Balance Available:	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>Receipts / Revenues</u>		
Fee Collections	\$ -	751,704
Interest Revenue - Current Year	-	-
Interest Revenue - From Carryforward Ba	-	-
Total Receipts / Revenues:	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 751,704</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Salaries & Benefits	\$ -	-
Other Personal Services	-	187,926
Expenses	-	\$ 563,778
Operating Capital Outlay	-	-
Student Financial Assistance	-	-
Expended From Carryforward Balance	-	-
¹ Other Category Expenditures:	-	-
Total Expenditures:	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 751,704</u>
Ending Balance Available:	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

¹Provide details for "Other Categories" used.

²Column not needed if a request for a new fee.

To be attached to new or increased fee requests or block tuition proposals.

For block tuition proposals only the incremental revenue should be reported.

University Tuition, Fees and Housing Projections (non-binding)
Projections Submitted June 2011 - Updates Will Be Provided June 2012

University of South Florida - Main Campus

<u>Undergraduate Students</u>	-----Actual-----				-----Projected-----		
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Tuition:							
Base Tuition - (0% inc. for 2012-13 to 2014-15)	\$82.03	\$88.59	\$95.67	\$103.32	\$103.32	\$103.32	\$103.32
Tuition Differential (no more than 15%)	6.96	\$13.74	\$22.00	\$32.00	\$52.30	\$75.64	\$102.48
Total Base Tuition and Differential	\$88.99	\$102.33	\$117.67	\$135.32	\$155.62	\$178.96	\$205.80
% Change		15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%
Fees (per credit hour):							
Student Financial Aid ¹	\$4.10	\$4.42	\$4.78	\$5.16	\$5.16	\$5.16	\$5.16
Building/Capital Improvement ²	\$4.76	\$4.76	\$4.76	\$4.76	\$4.76	\$4.76	\$4.76
Activity & Service	\$8.79	\$9.31	\$11.28	\$11.28	\$11.51	\$11.74	\$11.97
Health	\$7.91	\$8.60	\$9.30	\$9.73	\$9.92	\$10.12	\$10.33
Athletic	\$11.50	\$11.76	\$13.73	\$14.15	\$14.43	\$14.72	\$15.02
Transportation Access	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00
Technology ¹		\$4.42	\$4.78	\$5.16	\$5.16	\$5.16	\$5.16
Green				\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Marshall Center	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
Total Tuition and Fees per credit hour	\$130.55	\$150.10	\$170.80	\$191.06	\$212.06	\$236.12	\$263.70
% Change		15.0%	13.8%	11.9%	11.0%	11.3%	11.7%
Fees (block per term):							
Activity & Service	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00
Health							
Athletic	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Transportation Access							
Global Experience							
Marshall Center	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Total Block Fees per term	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00
% Change		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Tuition and Fees for 30 credit hours	\$3,990.50	\$4,577.00	\$5,198.00	\$5,805.80	\$6,435.84	\$7,157.63	\$7,984.91
\$ Change		\$586.50	\$621.00	\$607.80	\$630.04	\$721.80	\$827.27
% Change		14.7%	13.6%	11.7%	10.9%	11.2%	11.6%
Out-of-State Fees							
Out-of-State Undergraduate Fee	\$403.72	\$343.16	\$343.16	\$291.68	\$291.68	\$291.68	\$291.68
Out-of-State Undergraduate Student Financial Aid	\$20.18	\$17.15	\$17.15	\$14.58	\$14.58	\$14.58	\$14.58
Total per credit hour	\$423.90	\$360.31	\$360.31	\$306.26	\$306.26	\$306.26	\$306.26
% Change		-15.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Tuition and Fees for 30 Credit Hours	\$16,707.50	\$15,386.30	\$16,007.30	\$14,993.60	\$15,623.64	\$16,345.43	\$17,172.71
\$ Change		-\$1,321.20	\$621.00	-\$1,013.70	\$630.04	\$721.80	\$827.27
% Change		-7.9%	4.0%	-6.3%	4.2%	4.6%	5.1%
Housing/Dining							
	\$8,080.00	\$8,750.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,360.00	\$9,734.40	\$10,123.78	\$10,528.73
\$ Change		\$670.00	\$250.00	\$360.00	\$374.40	\$389.38	\$404.95
% Change		8.3%	2.9%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%

¹ can be no more than 5% of tuition.

³ can be no more than 5% of tuition and the out-of-state fee.

² capped in statute.