



MEMORANDUM

TO: CMA Students

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DATE: Student Fee Increases and Due Dates

At their public meeting on July 21, 2009, the California State University Board of Trustees approved additional rate increases for the State University Fee, effective for the Fall semester. These rate increases apply to all students, both residents and nonresidents of California. However, many students will qualify for additional financial aid that will cover the fee increase. In addition, the Board of Trustees approved an increase in the rate of tuition payable by nonresidents of California, also effective for the Fall semester.

NOTE: Due to these fee increases, late payment fees will be waived if all fees are paid on or before the first day of classes, September 8th. If you receive financial aid, you may deduct the amount of awarded and accepted aid and remit only the remaining amount by this date. The Orientation fee for incoming students is due on or before the start of Orientation, September 2nd.

Students already on an Installment Payment Plan have until September 8th to remit the payment previously due on September 1st. All other due dates remain the same. Students who Activate a plan now are required to pay by September 8th, 50% of the total fees due after financial aid is deducted, plus a \$50 administrative fee.

These actions were taken by the Board in response to one of the greatest fiscal emergencies in the history of California. In July the State Legislature and Governor reduced state funding for the California State University system by almost \$600 million, or an amount equal to the support traditionally given by the state for instruction of 95,000 students. Faced with this emergency, the Board of Trustees and the Chancellor have begun to implement a plan that balances the need to reduce spending with the need to preserve, as much as possible, the quality of the academic program and access to courses and student services. To do this requires something from everyone in the university community. For example, nearly every employee, including the campus presidents and the Chancellor, will be furloughed two days each month for the rest of the academic year. This amounts to a reduction in pay of almost 10 percent. This sacrifice by employees helps avoid, to a significant extent, the degree to which reductions in course offerings and student services will be needed.

The newly approved fee levels for the State University Fee are posted at the CSU Budget Office website [www.calstate.edu/budget/student-fees] and listed here:

State University Fee Schedules Effective Fall 2009 (Academic Year 2009/10)

Student Type/Units	Per Semester	Per Quarter	Per Academic Year
Undergraduate Programs			
6.1 or more	\$2,013	\$1,342	\$4,026
0 to 6.0	\$1,167	\$778	\$2,334
Credential Programs			
6.1 or more	\$2,337	\$1,558	\$4,674
0 to 6.0	\$1,356	\$904	\$2,712
Graduate and Other Post-Baccalaureate Programs			
6.1 or more	\$2,481	\$1,654	\$4,962
0 to 6.0	\$1,440	\$960	\$2,880

Information about nonresident tuition is available at the same Budget Office website. With the recently approved increase, nonresident tuition, effective with the Fall semester is \$372 per semester unit [\$248 per quarter unit] and is capped at \$11,160 for the 2009-10 academic year. These amounts are in addition to the State University Fee and campus mandatory fees.

We will do everything we can to assist students in addressing financial aid questions. For assistance and answers to questions, please contact the campus financial aid office at 707-654-1277 or writing to finaid@csum.edu