

**STATE UNIVERSITY
TUITION AND FEE PROPOSALS
FY 2027**

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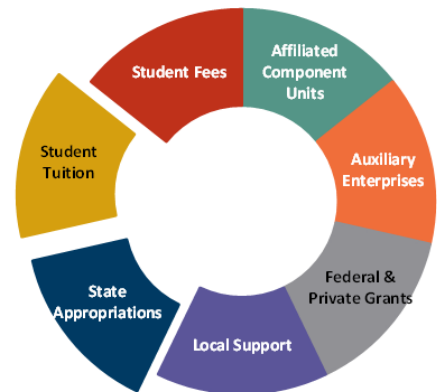
In accordance with K.S.A. 76-719 and Board policy (Chapter II, Section D, Subsection 1), the state universities have submitted FY 2027 tuition and student fee proposals for the Board’s consideration. The proposals are organized to highlight information about the proposed tuition rates, changes to tuition structure or waivers, and any proposed adjustments to student fees. Information is also provided that explains student and other campus community involvement in the development and review of proposals, and what the tuition and fee dollars generated are intended to finance. The total student cost for those degree programs with the largest groups of full-time enrolled undergraduate resident students is also displayed, as proposed for the coming year. The reported costs do not reflect any student financial aid, grants, or scholarships a student may apply toward those costs.

In developing their proposals, the state universities undertake a process involving representatives from across the campus community, including student government. In determining what to request for tuition, the Legislature’s adoption of the state budget is crucial information as the proposals are best developed with the knowledge of state funding for the upcoming fiscal year. The universities also consider the effect increasing tuition will have on their students. Cost is the most important factor for students making choices about where to pursue a college education.¹ The state operating appropriations are used with tuition revenues to finance the universities’ general use budgets.

“State Appropriations + Student Tuition = General Use Budget”

General use revenues for the universities include student tuition and state appropriations. The general use budget is that segment of the campus finances that the universities can generally devote to the functions or programs necessary to operate the institution, aside from campus auxiliaries (campus auxiliaries typically include business units like student housing, campus parking and student unions). Information on university spending from general use sources can be found in the State University Databook.²

The chart below, not representative to scale, identifies the major potential categories of revenues for public institutions of higher education and their affiliated component units.



Expenses in the general use budgets are weighted heavily to faculty and staff with salaries and employer-paid fringe benefits taking up 68.1 percent of total general use expenses in FY 2025, utilities for campus facilities consuming 3.1 percent,³ and all other operating expenses consuming 28.8 percent.

2026 Legislative Action on the FY 2027 Budget

As the state universities’ tuition proposals were prepared for the coming year, the 2026 Legislature had finalized the FY 2027 state budget that provided \$15.0 million for research funding on Alzheimer’s, nuclear energy and aviation, but also applied reductions in state operating support for the universities. For Kansas State University, the University of Kansas and Wichita State University, the Legislature reduced each university’s direct operating appropriation by 2.5 percent (\$9.2 million total). Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University and

¹ <https://www.strada.org/reports/the-price-transparency-imperative-rebuilding-confidence-in-higher-education>.

² https://kansasregents.gov/resources/PDF/Data/2026_State_University_Data_Book/State_Universities_2026_Section_1_FINAL.pdf.

³ [Table 1.14, General Use Operating Expenditures by Object, 2025 State University Databook.](#)

Pittsburg State University were each reduced by a net of \$1.8 million. Although the appropriation for need-based aid was retained for FY 2027, the appropriation for student success was not, ending the funding after three years of investment in FY 2024 through FY 2026. Continued support in university facilities was retained in FY 2027, totaling \$86.0 million (Educational Building Fund at \$56.0 million and Kansas Campus Restoration Act Fund at \$30.0 million). The table below displays several years of historical appropriations and the FY 2027 budget in summary form.

Key Highlights of State Appropriations/Transfers to State Universities					
	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Revised FY 2026	Approved FY 2027
State General Fund Support*	734,430,717	731,089,520	743,743,696	819,796,268	781,145,971
State Finance Council **	--	--	--	--	33,500,000
State University Share:					
Need Based Aid for Students	6,028,171	27,251,171	34,546,406	34,546,406	34,546,406
IT/Cybersecurity Improvements	20,000,000	4,990,000	5,055,908	--	--
Student Success "Playbooks"	--	8,500,000	8,500,000	5,193,300	--
One-Time Capital Projects/Debt Payoff	--	23,000,000	132,900,000	--	--
KBOR Capital Renewal Initiative	35,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	--	--
Share of Facility Demolition	9,250,000	9,250,000	4,250,000	--	--
Share of Kansas Campus Restoration Act	--	--	--	27,706,550	30,000,000
Educational Building Fund/Transfer	41,000,000	50,000,000	62,000,000	58,500,000	56,000,000
Kan-Grow Engineering Act	10,500,000	10,500,000	10,500,000	10,500,000	10,500,000
Total of Items Shown	\$856,208,888	\$884,580,691	\$1,021,496,010	\$956,242,524	\$945,692,377

*FY 2027 State General Fund budget includes a net of \$14.6 M operating reductions, \$15 M added for research.

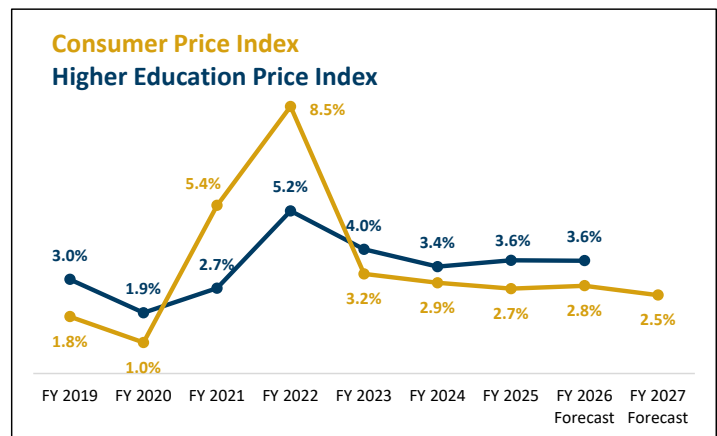
**The Legislature reduced \$12.0 M from the state universities' budgets at \$2.0 M each and \$21.5 M from KSU-ESARP for the State Finance Council to release back once specified certifications are made.

Effects of Inflation

Inflation impacts higher education institutions as it does any other segment of the economy, eroding the institutions' purchasing power over time. After years of modest impact, inflation spiked from FY 2021-2023 with some moderation since that time, although there is uncertainty around the impact of supply chain disruptions, energy and commodity price volatility, import price fluctuations, and the U.S. conflict with Iran.

The Commonfund Institute computes the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI) annually to measure the average relative level in the prices of a fixed market basket of goods and services typically purchased by colleges and universities through educational and general expenditures, excluding research. HEPI documents inflation affecting the higher education industry, allowing colleges and universities to project future budget increases necessary to preserve purchasing power and to maintain real investment. As the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers is the more commonly referenced measure of inflation, those rates are also shown in the graph for comparison.

While the types of goods and services a state university purchases for its operation will vary from what an individual consumer typically purchases for a household, inflation has been felt in either case. The most recent HEPI data published in May 2026



projected 3.6 percent inflation for FY 2026.⁴ The Federal Reserve Board of Governors raised its core inflation projections for 2026 to 2.7 percent from 2.4 percent.⁵ The Consensus Revenue Estimating Group issued its detailed estimates supporting the April 2026 revenue estimate on May 7, 2026, with inflation now predicted at 3.0 percent in CY 2026, and dropping to 2.6 percent in CY 2027 and 2.2 percent in CY 2028.⁶

The state universities all cite expense pressures in their general use budgets, notably for workforce recruitment and retention, core operations such as utilities, building maintenance and operation, and technology and compliance (software, cybersecurity and accreditation expenses). The universities are not seeking to raise tuition rates in anticipation of covering these growing expenses entirely. The tuition proposals all incorporate budget reductions, reallocations, and/or some use of cash reserves.

The items cited by the campuses as background to the requests are consistent with the 2026 national survey of business officers’ most-pressing issues for higher education⁷ (with 2025 results shown for comparison):

2025	2026
Supporting and maintaining the workforce; Communicating mission and value; Investing in essential technology; Ensuring successful student outcomes; and Navigating resource constraints.	Managing unreliable funding sources; Amplifying the value of higher education; Navigating political and policy disruptions; Supporting and maintaining the workforce; and Meeting rising operational costs.

For the reader’s context, the most recent tuition rate adjustments for undergraduate resident students at the state universities are noted in the table on the following page with the proposed rates for FY 2027 compared to the actual and projected rates of inflation over a similar timeline.

Rate of Change to Student Tuition from Prior Year Undergraduate Resident Full-Time Students						
	KU	KSU	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU
FY 2020	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2021	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%	2.4%	2.5%	3.8%
FY 2022	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2023	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2024	5.0%	5.0%	5.9%	5.0%	5.0%	7.0%
FY 2025	3.5%	2.8%	3.9%	0.0%	3.5%	6.0%
FY 2026	3.0%	3.5%	3.5%	0.0%	2.5%	4.0%
FY 2027 <i>Proposed</i>	4.8%	4.0%	4.9%	0.0%	3.5%	6.0%
Cumulative Change	16.3%	16.5%	20.2%	7.4%	17.0%	26.8%
<i>Source: KBOR Comprehensive Fee Schedule, Universities’ Tuition Proposals.</i>						
Compared to:						
CPI-U	31.3%	FY 2020 through FY 2027 Forecast (Consensus Rev. Est.)				
HEPI	24.4%	FY 2020 through FY 2026 Forecast (Commonfund)				

⁴ <https://www.commonfund.org/hubfs/00%20Commonfund.org/04-Institute/HEPI/HEPI-Methodology-Update.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.federalreserve.gov/monetarypolicy/fomcprojtabl20260318.htm>

⁶ https://budget.kansas.gov/wp-content/uploads/CRE_Long_Memo_05-07-2026.pdf

⁷ <https://www.nacubo.org/Advocacy/State-of-Higher-Education>

Student Fees

Another important aspect of university students' cost of attendance is the campus-wide mandatory fees, program fees, and course fees. Whereas tuition is collected by the university to meet the overall campus needs (and deposited in the "General Fees Fund"), student fees are assessed for a specific purpose and are spent by the university for that purpose. As the fees are "restricted," they are deposited in a separate "Restricted Fees Fund," to be accounted for separately and dedicated to their specific purposes.

Each university's proposal explains the requested rates for campus-wide, program-specific and course-specific fees, as well as the student government's involvement in determining the proposed rates and their uses. Per Board policy, the Board delegates to the chief executive officer of each institution the authority to establish user and administrative fees when the increase does not generate revenues in excess of \$250,000 annually.

Table 1 Tuition - As Proposed by Universities

	UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS: FULL TIME, PER SEMESTER ¹								
	KU Lawrence ²	KU Edwards	KU Med Center	KSU	KSU Salina	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU
Resident Undergraduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition	\$5,649.00	\$5,649.00	\$5,746.50	\$5,300.55	\$5,118.45	\$3,896.25	\$2,770.95	\$3,249.00	\$2,446.20
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition	\$5,920.50	\$5,920.50	\$5,919.00	\$5,512.50	\$5,512.50	\$4,087.20	\$2,770.95	\$3,363.00	\$2,592.90
Proposed \$ Change	\$271.50	\$271.50	\$172.50	\$211.95	\$394.05	\$190.95	\$0.00	\$114.00	\$146.70
Proposed % Change	4.8%	4.8%	3.0%	4.0%	7.7%	4.9%	0.0%	3.5%	6.0%
Non-Resident Undergraduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition	\$15,088.50	\$15,088.50	\$14,964.00	\$14,277.60	\$13,793.10	\$9,228.99	\$6,927.45	\$8,921.00	\$8,607.30
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition	\$15,888.00	\$15,888.00	\$15,412.50	\$15,062.85	\$15,062.85	\$9,681.30	\$6,927.45	\$9,035.00	\$9,123.75
Proposed \$ Change	\$799.50	\$799.50	\$448.50	\$785.25	\$1,269.75	\$452.31	\$0.00	\$114.00	\$516.45
Proposed % Change	5.3%	5.3%	3.0%	5.5%	9.2%	4.9%	0.0%	1.3%	6.0%

	GRADUATE STUDENTS: FULL TIME, PER SEMESTER ³								
	KU Lawrence	KU Med Students	KU Med Center	KSU	KSU Vet Med ⁴	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU
Resident Graduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition	\$5,698.80	\$21,206.60	\$5,656.80	\$5,749.96	\$12,216.20	\$4,208.77	\$3,437.28	\$3,706.00	\$2,924.76
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition	\$6,019.20	\$21,842.80	\$5,826.00	\$5,979.96	\$12,582.60	\$4,415.04	\$3,437.28	\$3,763.00	\$3,837.00
Proposed \$ Change	\$320.40	\$636.20	\$169.20	\$230.00	\$366.40	\$206.27	\$0.00	\$57.00	\$912.24
Proposed % Change	5.6%	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%	3.0%	4.9%	0.0%	1.5%	31.2%
Non-Resident Graduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition	\$13,405.20	\$36,452.90	\$13,293.60	\$12,857.88	\$27,701.40	\$10,336.55	\$8,593.20	\$9,122.00	\$8,330.16
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition	\$14,112.00	\$36,452.90	\$13,692.00	\$13,565.04	\$28,532.40	\$10,843.08	\$8,593.20	\$9,179.00	\$8,829.96
Proposed \$ Increase	\$706.80	\$0.00	\$398.40	\$707.16	\$831.00	\$506.53	\$0.00	\$57.00	\$499.80
Proposed % Change	5.3%	0.0%	3.0%	5.5%	3.0%	4.9%	0.0%	0.6%	6.0%

Notes

1. Tuition rates for full time undergraduate students are based upon 15 credit hours at KU, KSU, WSU and FHSU which charge tuition on a per credit hour basis.
ESU charges a flat semester rate for undergraduates and has credit hour pricing for graduate enrollments. PSU charges a flat semester rate for all full-time students.
 2. The FY 2027 proposed tuition rate reflects the consolidation of the \$3/credit hour (\$45 total) infrastructure fee into standard tuition, resulting in lower student fees and higher tuition (reference Table 2).
 3. Tuition rates for full time graduate students are based upon 12 credit hours, except medical students who pay a set semester rate and veterinary medical students who enroll in 20 credit hours per semester.
 4. The rate for non-resident graduate students attending KSU Veterinary Medical Center was reported incorrectly in 2025.
- See individual university proposals for specific academic course, program or other tuition rates as detailed in Appendix A.

Table 2 Tuition + Required Fees - As Proposed by Universities

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS: FULL TIME, PER SEMESTER¹									
	KU Lawrence	KU Edwards	KU Med Center	KSU	KSU Salina	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU
Resident Undergraduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition/Fees	\$6,317.40	\$6,736.95	\$6,171.90	\$5,789.79	\$5,448.45	\$4,973.55	\$3,607.74	\$4,299.50	\$3,055.95
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition/Fees	\$6,634.95	\$6,527.40	\$6,365.91	\$6,024.78	\$5,842.50	\$5,164.50	\$3,610.74	\$4,442.00	\$3,237.60
Proposed \$ Change	\$317.55	(\$209.55)	\$194.01	\$234.99	\$394.05	\$190.95	\$3.00	\$142.50	\$181.65
Proposed % Change	5.0%	-3.1%	3.1%	4.1%	7.2%	3.8%	0.1%	3.3%	5.9%
Non-Resident Undergraduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition/Fees	\$15,756.90	\$16,176.45	\$15,389.40	\$14,766.84	\$14,123.17	\$10,306.29	\$7,764.24	\$9,971.50	\$9,217.05
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition/Fees	\$16,602.45	\$16,494.90	\$15,859.41	\$15,575.13	\$15,392.85	\$10,758.60	\$7,767.24	\$10,114.00	\$9,768.45
Proposed \$ Change	\$845.55	\$318.45	\$470.01	\$808.29	\$1,269.68	\$452.31	\$3.00	\$142.50	\$551.40
Proposed % Change	5.4%	2.0%	3.1%	5.5%	9.0%	4.4%	0.0%	1.4%	6.0%

GRADUATE STUDENTS: FULL TIME, PER SEMESTER²									
	KU Lawrence	KU Med Students	KU Med Center	KSU	KSU Vet Med³	WSU	ESU	PSU	FHSU
Resident Graduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition/Fees	\$6,296.82	\$21,632.00	\$6,082.20	\$6,239.16	\$12,705.44	\$5,219.08	\$4,464.48	\$4,756.50	\$3,412.56
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition/Fees	\$6,610.86	\$22,289.71	\$6,272.91	\$6,492.24	\$13,094.88	\$5,425.35	\$4,467.48	\$4,842.00	\$4,352.76
Proposed \$ Change	\$314.04	\$657.71	\$190.71	\$253.08	\$389.44	\$206.27	\$3.00	\$85.50	\$940.20
Proposed % Change	5.0%	3.0%	3.1%	4.1%	3.1%	4.0%	0.1%	1.8%	27.6%
Non-Resident Graduate									
FY 2026 Approved Tuition/Fees	\$14,003.22	\$36,878.30	\$13,719.00	\$13,347.12	\$28,190.64	\$11,346.87	\$9,620.40	\$10,172.50	\$8,817.96
FY 2027 Proposed Tuition/Fees	\$14,703.66	\$36,899.81	\$14,138.91	\$14,077.32	\$29,044.68	\$11,853.39	\$9,623.40	\$10,258.00	\$9,345.72
Proposed \$ Change	\$700.44	\$21.51	\$419.91	\$730.20	\$854.04	\$506.52	\$3.00	\$85.50	\$527.76
Proposed % Change	5.0%	0.1%	3.1%	5.5%	3.0%	4.5%	0.0%	0.8%	6.0%

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Table 3 Tuition Revenue to State Universities
FY 2018-FY 2025 Actual, FY 2026-FY 2027 Estimated

University Student Tuition Revenues

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	Cumulative Change
University of Kansas	\$309,327,613	\$316,947,702	\$311,733,212	\$290,999,231	\$287,297,951	\$294,175,286	\$325,992,807	\$361,241,149	\$377,385,626	\$397,156,937	\$87,829,324
% Change	1.0%	2.5%	(1.6%)	(6.7%)	(1.3%)	2.4%	10.8%	10.8%	4.5%	5.2%	28.4%
KU Medical Center	\$49,352,854	\$51,560,047	\$49,592,094	\$49,896,717	\$53,359,503	\$45,412,725	\$54,246,448	\$56,855,382	\$56,634,185	\$59,939,188	\$10,586,334
% Change	11.4%	4.5%	(3.8%)	0.6%	6.9%	(14.9%)	19.5%	4.8%	(0.4%)	5.8%	21.5%
Kansas State University	\$218,584,800	\$213,543,608	\$207,820,763	\$186,086,072	\$200,682,379	\$195,362,319	\$203,767,182	\$213,439,366	\$225,043,603	\$236,283,603	\$17,698,803
% Change	(0.9%)	(2.3%)	(2.7%)	(10.5%)	7.8%	(2.7%)	4.3%	4.7%	5.4%	5.0%	8.1%
KSU Veterinary Med Center	\$18,989,210	\$19,282,881	\$18,796,069	\$19,048,458	\$19,023,327	\$19,719,246	\$19,861,685	\$20,747,606	\$20,658,679	\$22,498,704	\$3,509,494
% Change	2.6%	1.5%	(2.5%)	1.3%	(0.1%)	3.7%	0.7%	4.5%	(0.4%)	8.9%	18.5%
Wichita State University	\$86,875,010	\$87,245,004	\$88,111,104	\$89,475,817	\$88,730,521	\$97,931,514	\$94,922,955	\$93,623,274	\$95,963,584	\$97,989,408	\$11,114,398
% Change	2.0%	0.4%	1.0%	1.5%	(0.8%)	10.4%	(3.1%)	(1.4%)	2.5%	2.1%	12.8%
Emporia State University	\$28,075,946	\$28,296,471	\$27,951,550	\$27,099,658	\$24,930,018	\$23,983,093	\$21,760,627	\$21,711,549	\$21,065,746	\$23,057,974	(\$5,017,972)
% Change	(0.4%)	0.8%	(1.2%)	(3.0%)	(8.0%)	(3.8%)	(9.3%)	(0.2%)	(3.0%)	9.5%	(17.9%)
Pittsburg State University	\$36,726,254	\$35,457,835	\$34,038,079	\$32,874,283	\$30,690,952	\$29,583,648	\$30,586,532	\$31,192,609	\$31,500,000	\$32,345,000	(\$4,381,254)
% Change	(1.6%)	(3.5%)	(4.0%)	(3.4%)	(6.6%)	(3.6%)	3.4%	2.0%	1.0%	2.7%	(11.9%)
Fort Hays State University	\$44,238,769	\$46,161,409	\$45,988,070	\$48,879,063	\$38,387,438	\$38,381,727	\$40,903,468	\$43,581,417	\$46,597,452	\$48,414,753	\$4,175,984
% Change	4.6%	4.3%	(0.4%)	6.3%	(21.5%)	(0.0%)	6.6%	6.5%	6.9%	3.9%	9.4%
System Total	\$792,170,456	\$798,494,957	\$784,030,941	\$744,359,299	\$743,102,089	\$744,549,558	\$792,041,704	\$842,392,352	\$874,848,875	\$917,685,567	\$125,515,111
% Change	1.2%	0.8%	(1.8%)	(5.1%)	(0.2%)	0.2%	6.4%	6.4%	3.9%	4.9%	15.8%

Notes

1. Dollar amounts noted represent the net tuition revenues received from all categories of students, per Appendix F-2.
2. Revenue collections vary year to year as the result of changes in student enrollment, tuition rate changes, and changes to the mix of students (resident/non-resident and undergraduate/graduate).
3. FY 2026 values reflect updated revenue estimates and FY 2027 revenues are projected from the universities' request, per Appendix F-2.



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Fiscal Year 2027 State University Tuition and Fee Proposals May 20, 2026

The attached documents were prepared by the state universities using a uniform format and organized as described below.

The narrative of each proposal includes the following sections:

Executive Summary. Key facts about the tuition and fee proposal. If the proposal is modified after its initial presentation to the Board, a summary of the changes is added.

Section A. Displays the universities' proposed FY 2027 tuition rates applicable to all students within the designated categories (resident undergraduate, resident graduate, non-resident undergraduate and non-resident graduate). Tuition rates are shown on a per credit hour basis or flat-rate basis, depending on the university's tuition structure. Emporia State University and Pittsburg State University both charge on a flat-rate basis for full-time students, while the Medical School at KU Medical Center charges for a full year. For program-specific tuition, rates are shown with current and older rates also shown for comparison. Reference Appendix A.

Section B. Displays any proposed fees charged to specific students for specific academic programs.

Section C. Presents any proposed changes to the university's tuition structure.

Section D. Describes any other tuition or fee proposals that require the Board's approval, including tuition and fee waivers pursuant to K.S.A. 76-719c. That statute allows the Board to authorize any state university to award grants to students in the form of fellowships, scholarships and waivers of fees and tuition. With the Board's approval, a state university imposes standards, conditions and requirements designed to foster the growth, distinction and stability of the institution and the quality of its educational programs and pursuits.

Section E. Discusses student and other campus community involvement in the development and review of proposals, including detailed information such as number of meetings, how many students were involved, discussion of steps taken to ensure understanding among students and what the tuition and fee dollars will finance.

Section F. Discusses the projected increase from tuition revenues, describing both the projected fiscal effect attributable to rate changes and to enrollment projections. The university also estimates how the proposed increase would affect the carry forward balances in the General Fees Fund where tuition is deposited (Appendix F-2). A general discussion of enrollment management strategies is expected in this

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section, as well as the university's history in projecting tuition revenues compared to actual tuition revenues generated (Appendix F-3).

Section G. Describes the measures taken to keep proposals as modest as possible, including a specific description and details about the steps taken to propose a level of tuition that is as small as possible. Also, a discussion should include planned reallocations or savings listed on Appendix F-1 that will be used to finance the expenditures detailed in Appendix F-1.

Section H. Describes student proposed adjustments to required student fees (also known as campus privilege fees or specific fees proposed by students for specified expenditures).

Section I. Provides the cost of tuition and fees for those degree programs with the largest groups of full-time enrolled students, if the university's tuition and fee proposals were approved by the Board for the coming year.

The appendices to the narrative include:

Appendix A, a uniform chart by category that compares the proposal's tuition and required fees and the dollar and percentage change to the current approved figures.

Appendix F-1, an analysis to assist with tuition setting that examines the level of State General Fund support and various targeted expenditures: (1) expenditures of existing operations, i.e. required, non-discretionary expenditure increases; (2) salary increases; and (3) reallocations/savings used to finance proposed expenditures.

Appendix F-2, a profile of the General Fees Fund (FY 2023 through FY 2027) where tuition revenue is deposited.

Appendix F-3, a table of projected tuition revenue increases compared to the actual tuition revenue increases (FY 2023 through FY 2027).

Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition and Fee Proposal
Emporia State University



Executive Summary:

For FY 2027, Emporia State University proposes to maintain flat tuition, with no tuition increase.

In addition, the University is requesting two fee-related changes and the transition of one specialized tuition rate to a waiver structure to improve clarity, consistency, and alignment with student support services.

Student Success Fee:

ESU proposes consolidating the Student Union, Recreation Services, Student Counseling, and Student Health fees into a single Student Success Fee. This restructuring would not change the overall cost to students and would continue to fully support all existing services, while better reflecting the integrated nature of these resources in supporting student well-being. Of the total fee, 32% would be allocated to facility support for both the Student Union and the Recreation Center.

Degree Processing Fee:

The current one-time \$20 degree processing fee would be eliminated and replaced with a \$3 increase to the Student Success Fee. This adjustment would fully fund commencement and degree processing costs, extend support beyond graduation, and distribute the cost more equitably over a student's enrollment. As a result, the Student Success Fee would increase \$3.00 for full-time students and \$0.25 for part-time students.

Corky Plus Rate:

Finally, ESU proposes transitioning the Corky Plus in-state tuition rate for select Missouri counties to an in-state tuition waiver, aligning it with existing Hornet Nation and MSEP/NEARR waivers to improve consistency and clarity in billing practices.

ESU remains strongly committed to affordability and access for students. This commitment is reflected in our consistent value: based on Fall 2025 rates, ESU's undergraduate tuition and fees are the lowest among our designated and aspirational peer institutions and the second lowest among MIAA institutions. We take pride in providing a high-quality educational experience at a cost that meaningfully reduces financial barriers for students and their families.

Had ESU pursued a tuition increase for FY 2027, the resulting revenue would have supported strategic enrollment initiatives, supplemented the salary pool approved by the Legislature, and offset non-discretionary cost increases such as employee fringe benefits, faculty promotions, insurance premiums, IT licensing, and utilities. However, consistent with our commitment to holding tuition flat, the University will instead make targeted budget adjustments to address these pressures and offset the revenue that would otherwise have been generated.

After several years of enrollment decline—particularly among on-campus students—ESU experienced enrollment growth in Fall 2025 and anticipates continued growth in Fall 2026. In response to earlier enrollment and funding challenges, the University's general use base budget has been adjusted annually to align expenses with reduced tuition revenue and changes in state support. ESU's ability to maintain flat tuition is the result of intentional internal reallocation, service restructuring, and an increased focus on operational efficiency and financial alignment.

Holding tuition flat has been made possible through careful prioritization, internal reallocations, and efficiency improvements—not through cash balances or reserves. These strategies provide near-term stability but will require continued evaluation and disciplined decision-making to ensure long-term financial sustainability.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES (all students)

	Approved FY 2025 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Resident Undergraduate	\$2,770.95	\$2,770.95	\$0.00
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$6,927.45	\$6,927.45	\$0.00
Partnership Undergraduate (On)	\$4,156.50	\$4,156.50	\$0.00
Resident Graduate	\$3,437.28	\$3,437.28	\$0.00
Non-Resident Graduate	\$8,593.20	\$8,593.20	\$0.00
NEARR Graduate	\$5,155.92	\$5,155.92	\$0.00

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses (including online), as applicable.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS, include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

No changes are requested currently.

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

No proposed changes to the current tuition structure.

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

Student Success Fee: ESU proposes revising the current fee structure by combining the Student Union, Recreation Services, and Student Counseling and Student Health fees into a single, simplified Student Success Fee. Under this proposal, the overall rate would remain unchanged at \$611.79 for full-time students and \$70.60 for part-time students but would move the fees collected separately into one Student Success Fee. The separate line items for Athletics and ASG would remain unchanged.

	Actual FY 2026		Proposed FY 2027				Proposed FY 2027			
	Part Time Rate	Full Time Rate	Part Time				Full Time			
			Fee	Increase	Adjusted Fee	Percent Increase	Fee	Increase	Adjusted Fee	Percent Increase
Student Success Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38.46	\$ 38.46	100.00%	\$ -	\$ 341.06	\$ 341.06	100.00%
Student Health	12.52	105.00	12.52	\$ (12.52)	\$ -	-100.00%	105.00	(105.00)	-	-100.00%
Student Counseling	2.05	14.33	2.05	\$ (2.05)	\$ -	-100.00%	14.33	(14.33)	-	-100.00%
Student Union Operating	6.70	72.35	6.70	\$ (6.70)	\$ -	-100.00%	72.35	(72.35)	-	-100.00%
Student Union Repair and Improvements	6.77	66.88	6.77	\$ (6.77)	\$ -	-100.00%	66.88	(66.88)	-	-100.00%
Student Union Refurbishing	1.25	15.00	1.25	\$ (1.25)	\$ -	-100.00%	15.00	(15.00)	-	-100.00%
Recreational Services	6.67	38.50	6.67	\$ (6.67)	\$ -	-100.00%	38.50	(38.50)	-	-100.00%
Recreation Facility	2.50	29.00	2.50	\$ (2.50)	\$ -	-100.00%	29.00	(29.00)	-	-100.00%
Athletics	19.33	174.53	19.33	\$ -	\$ 19.33	0.00%	174.53	-	174.53	0.00%
ASG	12.81	96.20	12.81	0.00	\$ 12.81	0.00%	96.20	-	96.20	0.00%
	\$ 70.60	\$ 611.79	70.60	-	\$ 70.60		611.79	-	611.79	

Degree Processing Fee: The current one-time \$20 degree processing fee would be eliminated and replaced by a \$3 increase to the new Student Success Fee. This fee adjustment would fully cover commencement costs and degree processing while extending support to students beyond graduation, reinforcing Emporia State University’s commitment to long-term student success. As a result, the Student Success Fee would increase to \$344.06 for full-time students and \$38.71 for part-time students. Rather than being assessed in a student’s first semester, revenues would be generated gradually over the course of a student’s enrollment at ESU.

Corky Plus: The Corky Plus tuition rate currently applies to Missouri residents from the following counties: Andrew, Bates, Buchanan, Caldwell, Cass, Clay, Clinton, DeKalb, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Livingston, Platte, and Ray. Under this structure, eligible students are charged the in-state tuition rate.

We are requesting the Corky Plus rate transition from an in-state rate to an in-state tuition waiver. This change would make it like the existing Hornet Nation and MSEP/NEARR waivers, creating greater consistency and clarity in tuition billing. Shifting to a waiver-based model ensures uniform application across similar programs while maintaining the same financial benefit for affected students.

In addition, Emporia State University will conduct a comprehensive review of all tuition waivers during the next academic year. This review will focus on identifying opportunities to reduce duplication, improve alignment across waiver programs, and simplify tuition and fee billing for students while maintaining access and affordability.

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

The President of ESU annually appoints a Tuition and Fees Advisory Committee to make tuition and fee recommendations. The Committee consists of eighteen (18) members including representatives from faculty, student government, unclassified staff, university support staff, and administration. The Committee met several times this year and received legislative and budgeting information. The Vice President for Finance and CFO also met with ASG Senate to discuss and respond to questions about the importance of the students’ input in the annual process of determining adjustments to tuition and fees.

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

Proposed Use of Increased Tuition Revenues

Although no new tuition revenue will result from a rate increase, ESU would prioritize any additional revenue generated from enrollment growth in the following areas:

1. Funding for Existing Basic Operations

Reallocation of current funding will help ESU cover non-discretionary cost increases necessary to maintain basic operations, including:

- Utilities
- Employee fringe benefit rate increases
- Insurance premiums
- Faculty promotion costs
- IT licensing and software expenses

2. Funding for Salary Increases

The Legislature has approved a 1.0% salary pool increase for FY 2027. While a portion of this funding will be provided through additional state appropriations, Emporia State University will determine institutional priorities for salary adjustments and evaluate any additional funding needs. If necessary, ESU will develop a plan to fund its share of the salary pool obligation.

3. Funding for Institutional Enhancements

If additional tuition revenue is realized, ESU will invest strategically to enhance institutional priorities, including:

- Strategic enrollment initiatives aimed at growing and stabilizing enrollment
- Expanded marketing efforts to strengthen the University's brand presence
- Investments in academic programs aligned with high-demand workforce areas
- Targeted upgrades to technology infrastructure supporting both on-campus and online learning environments

*Note: See **Appendix F-1** for the university's planned uses of the additional tuition revenues. **Appendix F-2** gives the status of the university's General Fees Fund (where tuition is deposited). **Appendix F-3** compares the FY 2027 revenue changes by major category to historical figures.*

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

The University remains firmly committed to affordability and accessibility, as demonstrated by the request for no tuition for FY 2027. This commitment is especially challenging in the current environment, with enrollment declines and historically high inflation putting significant pressure on the University's finances. Through the University's hard work to streamline operations, make strategic budget adjustments, and focus resources on high-impact areas, along with the leadership at the Legislature to invest in regional universities, ESU is able to present a balanced budget without increasing the financial burden on students.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

Student Fee	Approved FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027 Fee	Dollar Change
Full-time per semester	\$611.79	\$614.79	\$3.00
Per credit hour (part-time & Summer students)	\$70.60	\$70.85	\$0.25

I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bachelor Degree- Business and Technology	
Student Headcount	541
Tuition (30 hours)	\$5,541.86
Required Fees all students	1,679.58
Required Fees-program specific*	390.00
Total	\$7,611.44

Bachelor Degree-Teachers College	
Student Headcount	501
Tuition (30 hours)	\$5,541.90
Required Fees all students	1,679.58
Required Fees-program specific*	330.00
Total	\$7,551.48

Bachelor Degree-Humanities and Social Sciences	
Student Headcount	549
Tuition (30 hours)	\$5,541.90
Required Fees all students	1,679.58
Required Fees-program specific*	0.00
Total	\$7,221.48

*Various course fees are paid by these students but are not included since not all students pay them.

Appendix A

Emporia State University					
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (On-Campus)					
Full Time, Per Semester					
	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	\$ Increase	% Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$2,770.95	\$2,770.95	\$2,770.95	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	776.79	836.79	839.79	3.00	0.36%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$3,577.74	\$3,607.74	\$3,610.74	\$3.00	0.08%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)*					
Tuition	\$6,927.45	\$6,927.45	\$6,927.45	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	776.79	836.79	839.79	3.00	0.36%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$7,734.24	\$7,764.24	\$7,767.24	\$3.00	0.04%
Partnership* Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$4,156.50	\$4,156.50	\$4,156.50	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	776.79	836.79	839.79	3.00	0.36%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$4,963.29	\$4,993.29	\$4,996.29	\$3.00	0.06%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$3,437.28	\$3,437.28	\$3,437.28	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	979.20	1,027.20	1,030.20	3.00	0.29%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$4,446.48	\$4,464.48	\$4,467.48	\$3.00	0.07%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$8,593.20	\$8,593.20	\$8,593.20	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	979.20	1,027.20	1,030.20	3.00	0.29%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$9,602.40	\$9,620.40	\$9,623.40	\$3.00	0.03%
Partnership/NEARR Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,155.92	\$5,155.92	\$5,155.92	\$0.00	0.00%
Required Fees	979.20	1,027.20	1,030.20	3.00	0.29%
DE Fee added to specific courses	30.00	--	--	--	0.00%
Total	\$6,165.12	\$6,183.12	\$6,186.12	\$3.00	0.05%
*Residents of the lower 48 states qualify for a waiver reduction to resident rates. Includes all states except Hawaii, Alaska and US territories. Waiver does not apply to Partnership students.					

Appendix F-1

Emporia State University
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - Distribution of Student Success Support	(\$611,000)
SGF - State Funded Employee Merit Pool (estimated)	\$320,000
SGF - Regional Growth & Development	(\$1,800,000)
SGF - Fringe Benefit Adjustment	\$434,716
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$0
Total General Use Sources	(\$1,656,284)
Planned Uses	
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	\$70,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	\$606,645
Employee Salary Adjustments	\$320,000
Strategic Plan/Student Success Initiatives	(\$611,000)
Operating Costs (Utilities, Compliance, IT licenses, etc.)	\$163,960
FY 2027 Budget Reallocations	(\$2,205,889)
Total General Use Planned Uses	(\$1,656,284)
Net Margin	\$0

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
Student Success Fee	\$25,958
Degree Processing Fee	(\$40,000)
Total Restricted Fee Sources	(\$14,042)
Planned Uses	
Student Success Fee	\$25,958
FY 2027 Budget Reallocations	(\$40,000)
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	(\$14,042)
Net Margin	\$0

Appendix F-2

University: Emporia State University

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$13,229,561	\$11,434,666	\$12,827,197	\$12,444,493	\$12,444,493
Revenue	23,983,093	21,760,627	21,711,549	21,065,746	23,057,974
Total Available	\$37,212,654	\$33,195,293	\$34,538,746	\$33,510,239	\$35,502,467
Expenditures	25,777,988	20,368,096	22,094,253	21,065,746	23,057,974
Balance Forward	\$11,434,666	\$12,827,197	\$12,444,493	\$12,444,493	\$12,444,493
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	47.7%	58.9%	57.3%	59.1%	54.0%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$0

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027:

Appendix F-3

**Emporia State University
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases**

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027 ⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	(\$946,925)	(\$2,222,466)	(\$49,078)	(\$645,803)	\$1,992,228
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	992,274	--	--	--
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	(\$946,925)	(\$3,214,740)	(\$49,078)	(\$645,803)	\$1,992,228
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	-3.9%	-14.8%	-0.2%	-3.1%	8.6%
Total Student Credit Hours	124,071	109,019	107,944	110,260	110,260
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	5,324	4,657	4,557	4,824	4,824

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.

**Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition and Fee Proposal
Wichita State University**

Executive Summary:

Tuition

Wichita State proposes an increase across all tuition rates of 4.9%, as outlined in *section A* of this proposal. The increase is estimated to generate \$4.6 million in tuition revenue. Over the past five years, university tuition rates were held flat for both FY 2022 and FY 2023. FY 2024 tuition rates increased by 5.9%, FY 2025 rates increased by 3.9%, and FY 2026 rates increased by 3.5%. Over that five-year period tuition increased by a total of 13.3%, an annual average of 2.7%. To prioritize access and affordability, this proposal includes no increases in the mandatory fees paid by all students or in college fees.

WSU's FY 2027 budget development combines the proposed tuition increase with a 7.0% General Use budget reduction and reallocation to fund a variety of budgetary needs and maintain a balanced General Use budget. The concerns confronting the university in the next fiscal year include addressing challenging international enrollment trends, increases in mandatory operating costs such as utilities and leases, increases to employer benefits costs, and reductions in state funding.

The FY 2027 budget also includes an increase in institutionally funded student scholarships to bring the total investment to \$10.4 million, a significant increase from the \$2.6 million budgeted in FY 2016. This represents 10.5% of tuition collections being re-invested directly in students as part of the university's Strategic Enrollment Management plan.

WSU recognizes that the financial pressures facing higher education are expected to persist. To maintain a strong commitment to fiscal responsibility while prioritizing student access and affordability, the university will continue to evaluate a range of efficiency initiatives. These include reviewing class enrollment levels, assessing the effectiveness of fee structures, conducting hiring committee reviews for any hiring proposals, exploring opportunities to expand shared support services, examining the feasibility of incentive-based enrollment models, and engaging faculty and staff to identify and evaluate opportunities to streamline university operations.

For a full-time 15-hour undergraduate resident, the tuition increase represents \$190.95 per semester.

Mandatory Fees Paid by All Students

This proposal includes no changes to mandatory student fees.

College Fees

This proposal includes one change to college fees, in which the Cohen Honors College is dropping the \$50 per semester fee. The resources gained by the initiation of this fee were previously used for capital needs, which have since been completed.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES (all students)

	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Undergraduate			
Resident & Shocker City Partnership ¹	\$259.75	\$272.48	\$12.73
Shocker Select & Midwest Student Exchange	\$389.64	\$408.73	\$19.09
Global Select	\$389.64	\$408.73	\$19.09
Non-Resident	\$615.27	\$645.42	\$30.15
Graduate			
Resident & Shocker City Partnership	\$350.73	\$367.92	\$17.19
Shocker Select & Midwest Student Exchange	\$526.11	\$551.89	\$25.78
Global Select	\$526.11	\$551.89	\$25.78
Non-Resident	\$861.38	\$903.59	\$42.21
Shocker City Partnership rate applies to residents from the US Census metropolitan areas of Denver (CO), Colorado Springs (CO), Pueblo (CO), Grand Island (NE), Lincoln (NE), Omaha (NE & IA), Ames/Des Moines (IA), Fayetteville (AR), Fort Smith (AR), Little Rock (AR), Stillwater (OK), Tulsa (OK), Oklahoma City (OK), Chicago (IL), Kansas City (MO), St. Louis (MO), Dallas/Ft. Worth (TX), Waco (TX), Houston (TX), Austin (TX), and San Antonio (TX).			
Shocker Select rate applies to students from Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, and Illinois and excludes the cities listed that are eligible for the Shocker City Partnership rate.			
Midwest Student Exchange rate applies to students from the following states: Indiana, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The rate applies to most undergraduate and graduate programs in the University and excludes limited access programs.			
Global Select rate applies to high-performing international students who meet the required conditions.			
Online Majors tuition is set at the resident tuition rate (undergraduate and graduate).			
¹ Tuition rate for the Teacher Apprentice Program (TAP) will increase from \$248.67 to \$260.85 per credit hour.			

Wichita State proposes tuition increases as reflected above. For a 15-hour undergraduate resident, the proposal reflects a \$12.73 per credit hour increase, or \$190.95 per semester.

A detailed outline of the planned uses of the new revenue generated from the proposed tuition increase and changes in the student mix can be found in *Section F and Appendix F-1* of this document.

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses (including online), as applicable.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS, include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

Historical Comparison	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027
Credit Hour Fee					
College of Fine Arts (<i>College Course</i>)	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (<i>College Course</i>)	\$7.75	\$8.21	\$8.21	\$8.21	\$8.21
College of Engineering (<i>College Course</i>)	\$89.00	\$94.00	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$97.00
Barton School of Business (<i>College Course</i>)	\$68.00	\$73.00	\$76.00	\$76.00	\$76.00
College of Health Professions (<i>College Course</i>)	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
College of Health Professions – School of Nursing (<i>Program</i>) ^{1, 2}	\$53.43	\$53.43	\$53.43	\$53.43	\$0.00
College of Health Professions – Communication Sciences & Disorders (<i>Program</i>)	\$53.43	\$53.43	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
College of Health Professions – Public Health Sciences (<i>Course</i>)	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
College of Health Professions – Instructional Online Fee (<i>Course</i>)	\$72.00	\$72.00	\$72.00	\$72.00	\$72.00
Semester/Other Fee					
Physician Associate ²	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00
Physical Therapy ²	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$0.00
Physician Associate Clinical Rotation (<i>per rotation</i>) ²	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Course Fee					
Bachelor of Applied Arts (BAA) in the School of Digital Arts (SODA) ²	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
<i>College course fees are assessed per credit hour to all students enrolled in any courses offered by the listed school or college. College program fees are assessed for all credits taken by students in the listed school or college. Differential tuition includes all tuition and fees in one amount for the program as either a semester or credit hour-based rate.</i>					
¹ Except online RN to BSN students.					
² These programs are proposed to transition to an all-inclusive differential tuition model, as outlined in section C.					

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

Wichita State University is requesting to move forward with a differential all-inclusive tuition structure for four of our highest cost programs, Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Master of Physician Associate (PA), Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT/PT), and Bachelor of Applied Arts (BAA) in the School of Digital Arts (SODA). All proposed program increases will affect newly enrolled students within each program, no increase to any currently enrolled student is proposed beyond the base tuition rate increase. These programs have

historically received funding levels that do not fully align with program needs or with pricing charged by comparable institutions. To establish the new rates, we evaluated the total tuition and fees with the costs of each program and compared them with those of our in-state and regional peers. Details for each program are below.

Wichita State University is also proposing to institute an additional differential tuition program, the Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP) in partnership with the Wichita Metro Crime Commission as a program to address critical local workforce needs in law enforcement. This program is designed to support a cohort of currently serving law enforcement officers in completing their university degree requirements and attaining a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (BSCJ). By enabling officers to complete degree work while serving, the program will help develop well-educated law enforcement professionals who are competitive and promotable within their agencies. The program directly responds to workforce demands for advanced education and professional preparation in contemporary law enforcement roles.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

The BSN program currently charges tuition and fees at a total of \$23,928 for resident students and \$31,202 for non-resident students for the two-year professional phase under a per-credit hour model. The College of Health Professions (CHP) proposes implementing a flat-rate, all-inclusive tuition of \$29,900 for residents and \$52,500 for non-residents for this four-semester, lockstep curriculum. The proposed resident rate remains within 3.6% of the lowest regional public competitor (University of Oklahoma at \$28,859) and remains below most public and private peers, preserving WSU’s strong value position while better reflecting the true cost of instruction, simulation, and clinical education.

Revenue modeling indicates the proposed resident rate would generate approximately \$862,720 in new annual revenue when fully implemented in three years, based on four active cohorts of 80 students each, strengthening instructional quality, simulation capacity, and clinical placement infrastructure. For non-residents, the proposed \$52,500 flat rate corrects an historically undervalued tuition level, still well below the non-resident rates for regional competitors and reducing the risk of signaling diminished program value. Revenue associated with the proposed flat-rate tuition will be strategically reinvested to strengthen program capacity and sustainability. Priority uses include aligning faculty and staff compensation more closely with market-based rates necessary for recruitment and retention, as well as supporting essential infrastructure related to simulation, clinical education, accreditation, and instructional delivery.

Proposed Tuition and Fees Comparison		
Full Program Tuition Rate		
Institution	BSN Resident	BSN Non-Resident
Wichita State University (WSU)	\$29,900	\$52,200
KUMC University of Kansas	\$54,378	\$128,118
Newman University	\$76,960	Not Available
Bethel College	\$52,800	Not Available
Missouri State University	\$48,101	\$89,388
OSU	\$43,362	\$120,876
OU	\$28,859	Not Available

Master of Physician Associate (PA)

The PA program currently operates under a per-credit model resulting in total program costs of \$62,183 for residents and \$78,498 for non-residents over the 26-month, seven-semester curriculum. CHP proposes replacing this structure with a flat-rate, all-inclusive tuition of \$67,000 for resident students and \$112,000 for non-residents, aligned with the program’s lockstep, cohort-based design. The proposed resident rate provides predictable tuition across the program while remaining competitive with regional PA programs and generating approximately \$168,336 in new annual resident revenue across two active cohorts of 48 students each when fully implemented in three years. For non-residents, the proposed \$112,000 flat rate reflects an increase that maintains affordability relative to peers while correcting a below-market price point that limits resources for simulation, assessment technology, accreditation compliance, and clinical placement coordination. Across both residency categories, the flat-rate model improves transparency for students and supports the long-term sustainability of this high-cost, clinically intensive professional program. Incremental revenue associated with the proposed flat-rate tuition will be strategically reinvested to strengthen program capacity and sustainability. Priority uses include aligning faculty and staff compensation more closely with market-based rates necessary for recruitment and retention, as well as supporting essential infrastructure related to simulation, clinical education, accreditation, and instructional delivery.

Proposed Tuition and Fees Comparison		
Full Program Tuition Rate		
Institution	PA Resident	PA Non-Resident
Wichita State University (WSU)	\$67,000	\$112,000
Kansas State University	\$69,294	\$136,330
University of Nebraska	\$63,653	\$144,758
Univ. of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC)	\$52,237	\$97,765
University of Missouri	\$94,458	\$111,251
University of Iowa	\$52,573	\$101,230
Missouri State University	\$57,332	\$90,131
Ottawa University Kansas	\$119,000	\$119,000

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT/PT)

The Doctor of Physical Therapy program currently charges total tuition and fees of \$70,975 for resident students and \$92,196 for non-residents over the nine-semester, three-year curriculum. CHP proposes adopting a flat-rate, all-inclusive tuition of \$76,000 for residents and \$135,000 for non-residents, reflecting the program’s fixed, cohort-based progression and substantial instructional costs. The proposed resident rate maintains competitive alignment with regional public peers—positioning WSU between institutions such as the University of Iowa and the University of Nebraska Medical Center—while generating approximately \$199,260 in additional annual revenue based on a cohort size of 60 students. For non-residents, the proposed \$135,000 rate represents a recalibration that remains below the highest regional competitor while improving financial support for simulation labs, clinical education management, accreditation requirements, and specialized faculty. The flat-rate tuition model provides students with consistent, predictable costs while ensuring that program revenue more accurately reflects the true cost of delivering high-quality physical therapy education. Revenue associated with the proposed flat-rate tuition will be strategically reinvested to strengthen program capacity and sustainability. Priority uses include aligning faculty and staff compensation more closely with market-based rates necessary for recruitment and retention, as well as supporting essential infrastructure related to simulation, clinical education, accreditation, and instructional delivery.

Proposed Tuition and Fees Comparison		
Full Program Tuition Rate		
Institution	DPT Resident	DPT Non-Resident
Wichita State University (WSU)	\$76,000	\$135,000
KUMC University of Kansas (KU)	\$66,454 (in-person) \$93,108 (hybrid)	\$134,413
University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)	\$93,389	\$124,712
Univ. of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC)	\$104,778	\$135,290
University of Saint Mary (Private)	\$108,978	\$108,978
University of Iowa	\$71,923	\$118,550
Creighton University (Private)	\$163,326	\$163,326

Bachelor of Applied Arts (BAA) in the School of Digital Arts (SODA)

Wichita State University’s Bachelor of Applied Arts in Media Arts delivers a high-value, practice-driven education that blends creative development with essential technical and production skills needed for careers in acting, animation, audio production, film, and video game design. Students benefit from extensive hands-on learning in Shocker Studios, a technology-rich production environment that requires significant ongoing investment in specialized equipment, software, facilities, and industry-experienced faculty. Implementing a differential tuition structure appropriately aligns program costs with the resources required to deliver this immersive, industry-standard experience while still maintaining strong affordability. Even with the proposed increase bringing the total all-inclusive resident cost to approximately \$72,000 over four years—Wichita State remains substantially more affordable than institutions offering comparable media arts programs, such as Ringling College of Art and Design (\$54,400 annually), Savannah College of Art and Design (\$42,165 annually), and the University of Southern California (\$73,260 annually). This differential tuition supports program quality and workforce relevance while preserving Wichita State’s competitive value proposition for students and families.

Proposed Tuition and Fees Comparison			
Annual Program Tuition Rate			
Institution	BAA in SODA Resident (30 credit hours)	BAA in SODA Shocker Select/Global Select (30 credit hours)	BAA in SODA Non-Resident (30 credit hours)
Wichita State University (WSU)	\$18,000	\$22,053	\$29,092
Ringling College of Art and Design	\$54,400	Not Available	Not Available
Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)	\$42,165	Not Available	Not Available
University of Southern California (USC)	\$73,260	Not Available	Not Available

Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP)

The Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP) is a small, specialized, and highly personalized academic offering within a learning environment that is personalized for this cohort of students. The partnership reflects a shared commitment between the university and the Wichita Metro Crime Commission to serve the public good by addressing critical local and state workforce needs in law enforcement through advanced education. The LEEP is designed to support a cohort of currently serving law enforcement officers in completing their degree requirements and attaining a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (BSCJ) while

maintaining full-time employment and progressing together through focused coursework. Research consistently demonstrates that higher levels of education enhance officers’ judgment, communication, patience, and de-escalation skills, strengthening community trust, reducing use of force incidents, and improving professionalism. By concentrating on criminal analysis, victimization, cyber crimes, and advanced communication and inquiry skills, the program develops well educated, promotable professionals prepared for supervisory, investigative, and specialized roles, while strengthening retention, leadership capacity, and readiness to meet evolving standards and expectations in contemporary policing.

The Wichita Crime Commission is awarding the Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences a monetary gift to cover the delivery of the program. Each of the candidates will enter the program with an already obtained two-year degree (AA/AAS) or roughly 60 college credits, will receive CPL (credit for prior learning) for their police academy training, and will be required to complete the final 30 credit hours within the Bachelor of Science Criminal Justice degree program at Wichita State.

Proposed Tuition and Fees Comparison Per Credit Hour Rate	
Institution	Credit Hour Rate
Wichita State University (WSU)	\$122.33

The proposed increases will apply only to students admitted after the adoption of this proposal, current students and those already admitted will be grandfathered under the current tuition structure. As there is no current population of impacted students from whom to solicit meaningful feedback, publicly available tuition information for prospective students will be updated to ensure transparency during the admissions process.

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

Like the course and program fees, no increases are proposed in the mandatory student fees, which include the Campus Infrastructure & Support Fee, Technology fee, Transportation Fee, and Student Support Services Fee.

Mandatory Student Fee Summary			
Description	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	Dollar Change
Per Credit Hour Fees			
Mandatory Fees			
Campus Infrastructure & Support Fee	\$20.58	\$20.58	\$0.00
Technology Fee	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
Transportation Fee	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.00
Per Semester Fees			
Mandatory Fees			
Student Support Services Fee (<i>Tier 1 - Base Rate</i>)	\$742.35	\$742.35	\$0.00

Student Support Services Fee

The Student Support Services Fee, a semester fee with three rate tiers, is assessed based on the type of student (*undergraduate/graduate*), number of enrolled credit hours, and in which semester classes are taken. In comparison to tier 1 - base rate, tier 2 and tier 3 rates fluctuate on a scale of 2/3 to 1/3 of tier 1 respectively. Students traditionally take fewer credit hours during the summer session; therefore, the summer fee is calculated at 1/2 of the fall/spring rate. The following table outlines the tier structure and a comparison of proposed rates. Overall, the Student Support Services Fee is proposed to remain flat at \$742.35 per semester at the tier 1 – base rate.

Student Support Services Fee Rates by Tier (Semester Fee)					
		Approved FY 2026		Proposed FY 2027	
Credit Hours		Fall/Spring Fee¹	Summer Fee²	Fall/Spring Fee¹	Summer Fee²
Undergraduate					
Tier 1	9 or more	\$742.35	\$371.18	\$742.35	\$371.18
Tier 2	6 to and including 8.75	\$494.90	\$247.45	\$494.90	\$247.45
Tier 3	up to and including 5.75	\$247.45	\$123.73	\$247.45	\$123.73
Graduate					
Tier 1	7 or more	\$742.35	\$371.18	\$742.35	\$371.18
Tier 2	4 to and including 6.75	\$494.90	\$247.45	\$494.90	\$247.45
Tier 3	up to and including 3.75	\$247.45	\$123.73	\$247.45	\$123.73

¹ Represents the fee amount to be assessed in each individual semester. Tier 2 and tier 3 rates are 2/3 and 1/3 of tier 1, respectively.

² Summer fee is set at 1/2 of the regular Fall/Spring fee.

Student Support Services Fee Funding Distribution (Semester Fee)			
Tier 1 - Base Rate			
	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	Dollar Change
Health & Wellness Fee	\$97.76	\$97.76	\$0.00
SGA Student Support Services Fee	\$425.33	\$425.33	\$0.00
Intercollegiate Athletic Fee	\$219.26	\$219.26	\$0.00
Total	\$742.35	\$742.35	\$0.00

The SGA Student Support Services Fee is adopted by the Student Government Association (SGA) (*see section H*). The Intercollegiate Athletic Fee and Health & Wellness Fee are separate fees that are not adopted by the SGA, but the SGA Student Fees Committee does provide an advisory review.

Campus Infrastructure and Support Fee

The \$20.58 per credit hour Campus and Infrastructure Support Fee remains the same to help support OneStop, an all-in-one service to help students navigate the University including advising, registration,

financial aid, and other services. OneStop's expenses include employee salaries, infrastructure, professional development, software, and signage.

Campus Technology Fee

The Campus Technology Fee is recommended to remain the same at \$1.00 per credit hour. With the continuous challenges of maintaining state-of-the-art technology on campus, the revenue is used to partially offset the costs of maintaining and enhancing technology services to students and faculty. This fee's last increase was in FY 2017.

Campus Transportation Fee

WSU recommends no changes in the credit hour fee of \$0.75 per credit hour, which is assessed to help offset the cost of the campus shuttle service. This fee's last increase was in FY 2017.

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

Wichita State embraces an inclusive and collaborative budget development process that draws on faculty, staff, and student involvement through multiple engagement opportunities. The university President reviews and discusses the current legislative status concerning appropriations and potential tuition increases with the President's Executive Team and during campus townhalls to obtain campus input. In addition, the University's Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) includes diverse representation across the campus of faculty, staff, and students. The BAC is co-chaired by the Vice President for Administration, Finance, and Operations and the Provost and includes the Sr. Associate Vice President for Administration, Finance, and Operations and Controller, Executive Director of Budgets, Deans from the academic colleges, Presidents from the Faculty and Staff Senates, Student Government, and members of the Faculty and Staff Senate. Others from the campus community are also invited to observe committee meetings.

The committee is charged with developing a lasting framework to identify, assess, and implement ideas that can positively impact the budget and its alignment with the university's strategic plan. Throughout the development process, the committee is advised of tuition and State General Fund revenue estimates, with the committee providing feedback regarding expenditure planning around those parameters. Budget considerations by the BAC are weighed based on their impact on the goals of the university's strategic plan and the following key criteria:

- Suggest strategic budget priorities consistent with the strategic plan.
- Evaluate and recommend options regarding specific campus budgetary concerns as assigned by the committee chairs.
- Communicate committee discussions and information with the areas of the university that they represent.

The BAC's discussions are then combined with those of other campus-wide committees, such as Strategic Enrollment Management and Strategic Planning. University Budget Officers are asked in early May of the prior year to submit, through an online budgeting system, their budget request for the upcoming budget based on guidelines developed from the past discussions with the Budget Advisory Committee and the President's Executive Team.

Throughout the budget process, the President, Vice Presidents, and Division of Administration, Finance, and Operations hold discussions and presentations with deans, faculty, university senates, and the student body. Within these settings, students, faculty, and staff have the opportunity to ask questions and seek additional information at different stages of the budgeting process.

The development of this FY 2027 tuition proposal included budgetary discussions and decisions guided by the three distinct priorities (and corresponding strategy) of the university’s strategic plan.

- Priority: Helping families through access and affordability
 - Strategy: Student Centeredness and Campus Culture – Empower students, faculty and staff to create a supportive culture that inspires growth, meets evolving needs and fosters success.
- Priority: Supporting Kansas businesses with a talent pipeline that meets employer needs
 - Strategy: Partnerships & Engagements - Advance industry and community partnerships to provide quality educational opportunities and collaborations to satisfy rapidly evolving community and workforce needs.
- Priority: Increasing economic prosperity with higher education that benefits the Kansas economy
 - Strategy: Research and Scholarship – Find solutions to emerging problems and accelerate the discovery, creation and dissemination of new knowledge and innovation.

The SGA Student Support Services Fee and funding allocations are recommended by the Student Government Association (SGA) and approved by the President, for consideration by the Board of Regents (*also outlined in section H*).

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

Planned Uses of Increased Revenue	
Increased Revenue	
SGF – State Pay Plan	\$715,715
SGF – State Fringe Benefit Allocation	591,522
Tuition – Rate Increase (4.9%) & Projected Enrollment Decline (International Enrollment)	2,025,824
Master of Physician Associate (PA) Differential Tuition	24,408
Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT/PT) Differential Tuition	22,140
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Differential Tuition	107,840
Bachelor of Applied Arts (BAA) in School of Digital Arts (SODA) Differential Tuition	878,438
Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP) Differential Tuition	110,097
Total General Use Sources	\$4,475,984
Planned Uses	
Institutional Scholarships	\$200,000
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	350,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	1,071,201
State Pay Plan	715,715
Mandatory Contractual and Insurance Increases	421,832
Facility Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance)	419,175

Master of Physician Associate (PA) Differential Tuition	24,408
Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT/PT) Differential Tuition	22,140
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Differential Tuition	107,840
Bachelor of Applied Arts (BAA) in School of Digital Arts (SODA) Differential Tuition	878,438
Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP) Differential Tuition	110,097
Tuition Shortfall Reserve	155,138
Total Planned Uses	\$4,475,984

Although the university is not implementing any mandatory fee increases within this proposal, the FY 2027 budget does include \$2.0 million in proposed new tuition revenue (net revenue increase from a 4.9% tuition rate increase and anticipated student mix/credit hour change), \$1.3 million in additional support from the State General Fund (SGF) to offset fringe benefit increases and the state pay plan.

The university will use these funds in support of the planned uses listed above. WSU will continue to invest in students by increasing institutional scholarships with an additional \$200,000. Other uses include state pay plan implementation and fringe increases for positions funded by General Use Funds, promotions in academic rank and tenure, support for mandatory contractual and insurance expenses, and increased facility operating costs.

*Note: See **Appendix F-1** for the university’s planned uses of the additional tuition revenues. **Appendix F-2** gives the status of the university’s General Fees Fund (where tuition is deposited). **Appendix F-3** compares the FY 2027 revenue changes by major category to historical figures.*

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

The university continually works to keep tuition affordable while enhancing scholarship opportunities and broadening access to quality higher education. In the FY 2027 budget, a total of \$8.0 million in reductions and reallocations are planned to help offset increased expenses and expected reductions in tuition revenue associated largely with our international student population. The university implemented a 7% general use budget reduction and reallocation, focusing on operating efficiencies, including a specific, continued focus on course fill rates and optimized staffing models, evaluating shared service models and consolidations, and evaluating program and course offerings. WSU will also continue to review the effectiveness of existing course and program fee structure, appropriate staffing across campus through a hiring review committee, investigate incentive-based enrollment models, and engage faculty and staff in focus groups to discuss and develop other opportunities to streamline university operations.

In addition, examples of other past actions include:

- As outlined in previous KBOR budget workshops, Wichita State has implemented budget cuts and reallocations each year from FY 2017 to FY 2026, resulting in total reductions/reallocations of \$34.0 million.
- From FY 2017 to FY 2026, the university has reduced the number of general use (GU) funded positions by 199.0 FTEs.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

Wichita State's Student Government Association (SGA) chose not to adopt a rate increase to the SGA Student Support Services Fee to fund a total FY 2027 budget of \$9.9 million (*as reflected in section D*). In the previous five years, there was a 2.9% decrease in FY 2022, a 2.7% increase in FY 2023, a 2.9% increase in FY 2024, a 1.9% increase in FY 2025, and no increase in FY 2026. Over that five-year period the SGA Student Support Services Fee increased by a total of 4.60%, an annual average of 0.92%.

Each year, the budget development process begins with formal funding requests from various campus programs submitted in mid-January. In accordance with SGA statutes, the SGA Student Fees Committee, chaired by the SGA Treasurer, conducted public hearings and deliberations on funding requests in March to formulate their recommendations to the full SGA. Voting members of the committee include the SGA Vice President, the Speaker of the Senate, the Budget and Finance Chair, and one student representative per college. The Executive Director of Budgets, the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Director of Financial Aid, the Vice President for Administration, Finance, and Operations, and the Student Government Advisor all serve as ex-officio, non-voting committee members.

Public hearings and deliberations took place in April with the entire SGA. SGA meetings are open to the public, and public forums are scheduled so students on both sides of an issue may speak before the student governing body. SGA recommendations were reviewed by the University President prior to submission to the Kansas Board of Regents.

Because the SGA Student Services budget is supported through a three-tiered semester fee, the following table depicts fee changes based on the Tier 1 - base rate (*as reflected in section D*) for Fall/Spring.

SGA Student Support Services Fee Proposal

Tier 1 - Base Rate for Fall/Spring¹

Program Description	Approved FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027 Fee	Dollar Change	Students Served
Educational Opportunity Fund	\$8.05	\$7.49	(0.56)	720
Student Affairs				
Student Involvement	\$63.15	\$66.52	\$3.37	2,750
Student Health	\$47.53	\$47.65	\$0.12	4,000
Child Dev. Center Assist. Teacher Program	\$9.93	\$7.82	(\$2.11)	61
Counseling & Testing Center	\$18.95	\$19.00	\$0.05	816
Prevention Services Program	\$1.34	\$0.43	(\$0.91)	7,715
Student Outreach Services	\$2.47	\$0.00	(\$2.47)	2,000
Office of Student Accommodations & Testing	\$0.39	\$0.00	(\$0.39)	703
Subtotal	\$143.76	\$141.41	(\$2.35)	
Rhatigan Student Center (RSC)	\$110.58	\$110.87	\$0.29	14,514
Sunflower				
Sunflower Operations (campus newspaper)	\$6.42	\$7.90	\$1.48	17,000
Sunflower Equipment Reserve (campus newspaper)	\$0.00	\$0.20	\$0.20	17,000
Subtotal	\$6.42	\$8.10	\$1.68	
Campus Recreation	\$48.30	\$43.27	(\$5.03)	5,306
Student Government Association (SGA)	\$102.20	\$101.44	(\$0.76)	6,201
Other Programs				
College of Fine Arts Programming	\$2.13	\$2.13	\$0.00	1,344
Varsity Esports	\$1.70	\$0.00	(\$1.70)	66
Graduate Student Programming	\$0.43	\$0.43	\$0.00	1,450
NISS Student Digital Toolbox	\$0.00	\$2.13	\$2.13	280
Reserves	\$1.76	\$1.28	(\$0.48)	N/A
Staff Compensation Pool (pending legislative approval)	\$0.00	\$3.96	\$3.96	N/A
Health Insurance Pool	\$0.00	\$2.82	\$2.82	N/A
Subtotal	\$6.02	\$12.75	\$6.73	
Total	\$425.33	\$425.33	\$0.00	

¹ Represents the fee amount to be assessed in each individual semester for Fall and Spring at the tier 1 rate. Summer fee is set at approx. 50% of the regular Fall/Spring fee.

FY 2026 included the implementation of a new SGA statute requiring each requesting entity to be reviewed at hearings based on a two-year rotating cycle rather than the previous three-year rotating cycle. Each entity

has been assigned to Year A or B and maintains the same fee rate for the two years until they present again. Non-scheduled entities are allowed to make an off cycle increase request to the committee if needed. For the FY 2027 cycle, all entities were asked to present a request by the committee.

Key Fee Changes by SGA Student Support Services Program:

Educational Opportunity Fund

The Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) provides student financial assistance through scholarships, stipends, and internships to facilitate or expedite a student's academic pursuits. These budgets decreased by \$13,500 overall. This decreased the tier 1 rate for EOF support overall by \$0.56. The Commission chose not to fund Debate, Esports scholarships, and Disability Support Services after evaluating the relatively small number of students impacted compared to other programs.

Student Affairs

Student Affairs represents the largest funding allocation within SGA. For FY 2027, the Student Affairs allocation decreased by \$64,677 compared to the previous year. This reduction is largely the result of removing Student Outreach Services (SOS) and the Office of Student Accommodations & Testing (OSAT) from the budget. The committee ultimately determined that OSAT could rely on alternative funding sources, making its removal from the SGA budget appropriate. SOS, meanwhile, will receive a one-time allocation for FY 2027 that does not draw from student fee dollars, and its funding will be fully discontinued in FY 2028.

Rhatigan Student Center (RSC)

The RSC received their full request of \$2,597,530 which totals the same amount allotted for FY 2026.

Child Development Center

The Child Development Center (CDC) accommodated a \$50,000 decrease in their annual funding amount beginning this fiscal year as the final part of a three-year plan to decrease their reliance on student fees. Their teacher assistant salaries that are supported by this Student Fees amount are planned to be maintained by the tuition structure, to help alleviate expenses for the students that are not directly affected by their services. This change decreased the tier 1 rate by \$2.11.

Sunflower (Campus Newspaper)

Including the Sunflower's Equipment Technology Reserve Fund allocation of \$4,738, the total FY 2027 budget is \$189,738, fully meeting the amount requested. This reflects an increase from the FY 2026 total of \$150,796, during which the reserve fund did not receive student fee support. The FY 2027 budget supports numerous student-held positions as well as the various media platforms and services the newspaper provides.

Campus Recreation

Campus Recreation experienced the largest year-over-year reduction among all organizations, resulting in a \$5.03 decrease to the tier 1 rate. The specific area the commission elected to reduce support for within Campus Recreation was the Shocker Rowing team. Like previous cut decisions, the commission felt that reallocating these funds would allow resources to benefit a broader portion of the student body.

Student Government Association (SGA)

The SGA Special Projects & Capital, SGA Office Expenditures, and SGA Student Organization Stimulus Fund were consolidated into a single entity for the upcoming budget cycle. Following this merger, the combined tier 1 rate decreased by \$0.76, resulting in a total reduction of \$24,250 from the previous year. SGA Special Projects & Capital funds are approved for projects as needed. The reallocated difference was used to offset

increases in other areas of the budget, ensuring a balanced and student-focused financial plan.

Other Programs

NISS Student Digital Toolbox – Resources 2 Success (R2S) was the only new program to request funding for FY 2027, and the Commission approved its full \$50,000 request, resulting in a \$2.13 increase to the tier 1 rate. The program supports underserved and low-income students by providing laptops, hotspots, and technical assistance to help remove financial barriers to their academic success.

Varsity Esports was the sixth entity the Commission elected to fully cut. Historically, the committee has held that student fee dollars should not support entities that function similarly to student organizations and determined that these funds could be better directed toward other campus initiatives.

Both the College of Fine Arts Programming and Graduate Student Programming received their full funding requests for FY 2027, matching their FY 2026 allocations.

Pending Allocations

There are two recommended budget lines pending disbursement related to staff compensation adjustments. The Committee approved \$92,685 to support an amount equivalent to a 2.5% increase to all student fee funded salaries in FY 2027, mirroring the initial Governor’s budget compensation proposal. The final pending amount of \$66,168 is regarding the overall estimated employer health benefit expense increase for all student fee funded positions.

I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bachelor of Psychology, Fairmount College of Liberal Arts & Sciences	
Student Headcount	348
Tuition (30 hours)	\$8,174.40
Required Fees all students	2,154.60
Required Fees-program specific	246.30
Total	\$10,575.30

Bachelor of Business Administration, College of Business	
Student Headcount	344
Tuition (30 hours)	\$8,174.40
Required Fees all students	2,154.60
Required Fees-program specific	2,280.00
Total	\$12,609.00

Bachelor of Arts in Education, College of Education	
Student Headcount	309
Tuition (30 hours)	\$8,174.40
Required Fees all students	2,154.60
Required Fees-program specific	660.00
Total	\$10,989.00

Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, College of Business	
Student Headcount	300
Tuition (30 hours)	\$8,174.40
Required Fees all students	2,154.60
Required Fees-program specific	2,280.00
Total	\$12,609.00

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering	
Student Headcount	290
Tuition (30 hours)	\$8,174.40
Required Fees all students	2,154.60
Required Fees-program specific	2,910.00
Total	\$13,239.00

Appendix A

University: Wichita State
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$3,764.55	\$3,896.25	\$4,087.20	\$190.95	4.9%
Required Fees	1,077.30	1,077.30	1,077.30	\$0.00	0.0%
Total	\$4,841.85	\$4,973.55	\$5,164.50	\$190.95	3.8%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$8,916.90	\$9,228.99	\$9,681.30	\$452.31	4.9%
Required Fees	1,077.30	1,077.30	1,077.30	\$0.00	0.0%
Total	\$9,994.20	\$10,306.29	\$10,758.60	\$452.31	4.4%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$4,066.44	\$4,208.77	\$4,415.04	\$206.27	4.9%
Required Fees	1,010.31	1,010.31	1,010.31	\$0.00	0.0%
Total	\$5,076.75	\$5,219.08	\$5,425.35	\$206.27	4.0%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$9,987.00	\$10,336.56	\$10,843.08	\$506.52	4.9%
Required Fees	1,010.31	1,010.31	1,010.31	\$0.00	0.0%
Total	\$10,997.31	\$11,346.87	\$11,853.39	\$506.52	4.5%

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University: Wichita State
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - State Pay Plan	\$715,715
SGF - State Fringe Benefit Allocation	\$591,522
SGF - Legislative SGF Operating Reduction	(\$2,957,586)
New All-Inclusive Differential Tuition Programs	\$1,142,923
Tuition Rate Increase (4.9%)	\$4,632,231
Total General Use Sources	\$4,124,805
Planned Uses	
Institutional Scholarships	\$200,000
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	\$350,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	\$1,071,201
State Pay Plan	\$715,715
University Strategic Priorities and Capital Improvements	\$4,260,000
New Internal Auditor Position	\$104,000
Mandatory Contractual and Insurance Increases	\$470,362
Facility Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance)	\$419,175
Projected Enrollment Decline (International Enrollment)	\$2,606,407
New All-Inclusive Differential Tuition Programs	\$1,142,923
Tuition Shortfall Reserve	\$363,111
FY 2027 Budget Reductions and Reallocations	(\$7,578,089)
Total General Use Planned Uses	\$4,124,805
Net Margin	\$0

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
Not Applicable - No Fee Increases	\$0
Total Restricted Fee Sources	\$0
Planned Uses	
Not Applicable - No Fee Increases	\$0
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	\$0
Net Margin	\$0

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University: Wichita State University

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$17,338,008	\$24,071,433	\$20,249,791	\$9,221,763	\$8,835,199
Revenue	97,931,514	94,922,955	93,623,274	95,963,584	97,989,408
Total Available	\$115,269,522	\$118,994,388	\$113,873,065	\$105,185,347	\$106,824,607
Expenditures	91,198,089	98,744,597	104,651,302	96,350,148	97,626,297
Balance Forward	\$24,071,433	\$20,249,791	\$9,221,763	\$8,835,199	\$9,198,310
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	24.6%	21.3%	9.8%	9.2%	9.4%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$4,395,000

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027:

27th Pay Period Reserve (tuition side)	\$1,290,000
Vehicle Replacement Reserve	\$305,000
Tuition Shortfall Reserve	\$1,500,000
Annual Estimated Encumbrances	\$1,300,000

Reserves may be used to address critical infrastructure needs on a one-time basis as they arise

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University: Wichita State
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Estimated FY 2027 ⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	\$6,408,677	(\$274,608)	(\$1,269,028)	\$3,697,372	\$2,025,824
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	5,546,000	3,705,000	3,762,966	4,632,231
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	\$6,408,677	(\$5,820,608)	(\$4,974,028)	(\$65,594)	(\$2,606,407)
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	6.7%	-6.1%	-5.3%	-0.1%	-2.6%
Total Student Credit Hours	351,272	350,802	347,870	351,777	359,053
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	16,921	17,548	17,700	18,565	18,949

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.

**Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition and Fee Proposal
Fort Hays State University**

Executive Summary:

Fort Hays State University is proposing a tuition increase per the table below for FY 2027 with a \$2.33 increase in student fees.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES (all students)

	Approved FY26 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY27 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Resident Undergraduate	163.08	172.86	9.78
Non-Resident Undergraduate	573.82	608.25	34.43
Resident Graduate	243.73	319.75	76.02
Non-Resident Graduate	694.18	735.83	41.65
Regional Undergraduate	163.08	172.86	9.78
Regional Graduate	243.73	319.75	76.02
Online Undergraduate	265.05	275.65	10.60
Online Graduate	348.78	362.73	13.95
MBA Online	385.74	401.17	15.43
DNP	467.29	485.98	18.69
Master's in Counseling	360.29	374.70	14.41

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses (including online), as applicable.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS, include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

Program-Specific Tuition or Fee	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One-Year Dollar Change
	None	None	None	None	None	N/A

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

None

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

None

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

As standard practice, Fort Hays State University utilizes a multi-year budget projection to guide our annual tuition and fee proposals. In the spring of 2026, the executive leadership team began reviewing revenues and expenditures to align our financial planning with the university's strategic goals.

To ensure a collaborative approach, the president appointed and charged the Tuition Recommendation Committee. This group—comprising an Academic Dean, a Student Affairs AVP, and representatives from Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, and both on-campus and online Student Government Associations—was tasked with recommending the tuition rate for FY 2027 while ensuring that rates are fair, sustainable and aligned with University mission and strategic goals.

Following thorough deliberation on the challenges facing higher education, the committee recommended a tuition adjustment aimed at narrowing the gap between online and on-campus rates. Consequently, FHSU is proposing a 4% increase for online and graduate online rates and a 6% increase for on-campus rates. President Mason has reviewed and accepted these recommendations for formal consideration by the Kansas Board of Regents.

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

For Fiscal Year 2027, Fort Hays State University proposes an adjustment to tuition rates as outlined in Table A. This proposal is projected to generate \$2,283,275 in gross tuition revenue before enrollment adjustments.

State Support and Budgetary Realities

FHSU is currently managing a \$1.8 million reduction in State General Fund (SGF) support, and the elimination of \$611,000 in student success funding. These represent significant shifts in our operating budget.

Economic Drivers and Inflationary Pressures

Several market factors necessitate this increase. With the Bureau of Labor Statistics reporting a 2.9% annual inflation rate following years of historic highs, the University faces rising costs in utilities, fringe benefits, essential software, and equipment. We have allocated \$155,000 to specifically offset these non-discretionary expense increases.

Investing in Our People

Employee retention remains a critical challenge. To remain competitive and address wage pressures, FHSU plans to invest \$1,779,000 in benefits, promotions, and market adjustments. While we appreciate the state's 1.0% merit pool allocation of \$400,000, this covers only half of the requirement. FHSU will fund the remaining \$395,000 to ensure all eligible employees receive this increase.

Strategic Priorities and Fiscal Responsibility

FHSU continues to be a disciplined steward of its resources. Our priorities for the coming year include:

- **Infrastructure & Innovation:** \$689,000 for strategic initiatives and critical ERP system upgrades.
- **Debt Obligations:** \$295,000 to cover debt service for the Student Success Center, as the original sinking fund has been fully utilized.
- **Enrollment Reality:** In alignment with national trends, we have budgeted for a conservative \$465,000 decrease in revenue due to enrollment fluctuations.

Commitment to Affordability

We remain committed to keeping FHSU accessible for Kansas students. Our fiscal strategy includes:

- **Operational Efficiencies:** We have implemented \$6.6 million in ongoing reductions over the last five years and are identifying an additional \$1.5 million for FY 2027.
- **Reallocation:** By sunseting \$2.2 million in one-time strategic expenditures from the previous year, we are reinvesting those funds back into the core operating budget.

Through careful position reviews and strategic allocations, FHSU will continue to provide high-quality education while maintaining our standing as a leader in affordability.

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

Fort Hays State University remains dedicated to its mission as a high-value, low-cost leader in regional higher education. Our student-centered pricing structure is a direct result of innovative programming and a culture of operational efficiency.

To navigate the headwinds facing higher education—including persistent inflationary pressures, a declining demographic of high school graduates, and intense market competition—FHSU has implemented rigorous cost-containment measures, including:

- **Stringent Personnel Oversight:** Executive-level review of all hiring requests to ensure strategic alignment.
- **Operational Discipline:** Continued work to finding operational efficiencies and reductions.
- **Structural Realignment:** Ongoing reorganization to maximize administrative and strategic efficiency.

These efforts have already yielded over \$6.6 million in permanent, ongoing savings. Looking ahead to the next fiscal year, we are targeting an additional \$1.5 million in reductions. Through these ongoing strategic conversations regarding our financial health, FHSU remains a vigilant steward of the resources entrusted to us by our students and the State of Kansas.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

Fort Hays State University is proposing a fee increase per the table below for FY 2027. Our Student Government Association (SGA) carefully worked to keep these fees low. These funds will be used by a variety of student-focused initiatives across campus and are largely directed by the SGA.

The chart on the following page details the changes. The athletic fee increase was the only one that required a referendum from students, which was administered and approved by our student body. The vote

passed with 53% in favor. All revenues generated will be used to support the program of the function listed. The total fee charged per credit hour will be \$42.98 per credit.

We are unable this year to increase the overall tuition and fee charges for our international partnership programs. We are implementing an increase in tuition to keep in line with our tuition model and a decrease in the fee to leave the overall amount flat.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	\$ Change
Athletic Bands	\$1.92	\$1.25	(\$0.67)
Campus Intramurals	\$0.96	\$0.98	\$0.02
Tiger Debs	\$0.24	\$0.00	(\$0.24)
Student Government Association	\$0.66	\$0.66	\$0.00
Tiger Media Network	\$2.56	\$2.80	\$0.24
Civic Engagement	\$0.56	\$0.56	\$0.00
Athletics	\$11.97	\$13.87	\$1.90
Food and Hunger Initiatives	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.00
Parking	\$1.52	\$1.82	\$0.30
Student Health & Wellness	\$5.98	\$5.98	\$0.00
Educational Opportunity Fund	\$0.62	\$0.50	(\$0.12)
Student Engagement (CSI)	\$2.01	\$2.01	\$0.00
Fitness Center	\$1.13	\$1.13	\$0.00
Student Union	\$5.63	\$6.53	\$0.90
Student Activity	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$0.00
Total	\$40.65	\$42.98	\$2.33

Other Fees:**

International Fee	152.11	142.33	(\$9.78)	(6.4%)
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I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bachelor's Degree (On Campus)	
3,631 Student Headcount	
Tuition (30 hours)	\$ 5,185.80
Required Fees all students	1,289.40
Required Fees-program specific	-
Total	\$6,475.20
Bachelor's Degree (Online)	
6,002 Student Headcount	
Tuition (30 hours)	\$ 8,269.50
Required Fees all students	-
Required Fees-program specific	-
Total	\$ 8,269.50

Appendix A

Fort Hays State University
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)				
Tuition	\$2,352.15	\$2,446.20	\$2,592.90	\$146.70
Required Fees	609.75	609.75	644.70	\$34.95
Total	<u>\$2,961.90</u>	<u>\$3,055.95</u>	<u>\$3,237.60</u>	<u>\$181.65</u>
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)				
Tuition	\$8,276.25	\$8,607.30	\$9,123.75	\$516.45
Required Fees	609.75	609.75	644.70	\$34.95
Total	<u>\$8,886.00</u>	<u>\$9,217.05</u>	<u>\$9,768.45</u>	<u>\$551.40</u>
Resident Graduate (12 hours)				
Tuition	\$2,812.32	\$2,924.76	\$3,837.00	\$912.24
Required Fees	487.80	487.80	515.76	\$27.96
Total	<u>\$3,300.12</u>	<u>\$3,412.56</u>	<u>\$4,352.76</u>	<u>\$940.20</u>
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)				
Tuition	\$8,009.76	\$8,330.16	\$8,829.96	\$499.80
Required Fees	487.80	487.80	515.76	\$27.96
Total	<u>\$8,497.56</u>	<u>\$8,817.96</u>	<u>\$9,345.72</u>	<u>\$527.76</u>
Regional Undergraduate (15 hours)				
Tuition	\$2,352.15	\$2,446.20	\$2,592.90	\$146.70
Required Fees	609.75	609.75	644.70	\$34.95
Total	<u>\$2,961.90</u>	<u>\$3,055.95</u>	<u>\$3,237.60</u>	<u>\$181.65</u>
Regional Graduate (12 hours)				
Tuition	\$2,812.32	\$2,924.76	\$3,100.20	\$175.44
Required Fees	487.80	487.80	515.76	\$27.96
Total	<u>\$3,300.12</u>	<u>\$3,412.56</u>	<u>\$3,615.96</u>	<u>\$203.40</u>
Program-Specific Rates:				
Online Undergraduate (15 hours)	\$3,859.95	\$3,975.75	\$4,134.75	\$159.00
Online Graduate (12 hours)	\$4,063.44	\$4,185.36	\$4,352.76	\$167.40
MBA Online (12 hours)	\$4,494.00	\$4,628.88	\$4,814.04	\$185.16
DNP (12 Hours)	\$5,444.16	\$5,607.48	\$5,831.76	\$224.28
Master's in Counseling (12 Hours)	\$4,197.60	\$4,323.48	\$4,496.40	\$172.92

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Fort Hays State University
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - Legislative Reduction of Budget	(\$1,800,000)
SGF - State Funded Employee Merit Pool (estimated)	\$400,000
SGF - Reduction of Student Success Passthrough Dollars	(\$611,000)
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$2,283,275
Total General Use Sources	\$272,275
Planned Uses	
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	133,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	785,000
1% Employee Salary Increases	794,459
Market Salary Changes	66,695
Debt Service	295,000
Strategic Plan/Student Success Initiatives	689,529
Facility Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance)	62,884
Inflationary Impact on Operations	93,000
Projected Enrollment Decline	465,975
FY 2025 1x spend	(2,204,774)
FY 2026 Budget Reductions and Reallocations	(1,500,000)
Total General Use Planned Uses	(319,232)
Net Margin	\$591,507

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
RU Fee	\$744,847
Cross Border Fee	(\$355,001)
Total Restricted Fee Sources	\$389,846
Planned Uses	
Operating Costs	\$389,846
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	\$389,846
Net Margin	\$0

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University: Fort Hays State University

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY2027
Balance Forward	\$6,150,595	\$7,446,066	\$8,525,884	\$16,423,515	\$17,233,515
Revenue	38,381,727	40,903,468	43,581,417	46,597,452	48,414,753
Total Available	\$44,532,322	\$48,349,534	\$52,107,301	\$63,020,967	\$65,648,268
Expenditures	37,086,256	39,823,650	35,683,786	45,787,452	46,632,209
Balance Forward	\$7,446,066	\$8,525,884	\$16,423,515	\$17,233,515	\$19,016,059
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	19.4%	20.8%	37.7%	37.0%	39.3%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$0

Detailed Description of Commitments:

Other one time expenditures	\$17,730	\$109,006	\$254,930	\$314,000	\$1,000,000
Rarick Renovation	\$18,281				
Gross Coliseum HVAC	\$490,710	\$218,783			
Total	\$526,721	\$327,789	\$254,930	\$314,000	\$1,000,000

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University: Fort Hays State University
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	(\$5,711)	\$2,521,741	3,337,092	2,356,892	\$1,817,301
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	1,452,562	2,618,273	2,278,363	997,524	1,817,301
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	(\$1,458,273)	(\$96,532)	\$1,058,729	\$1,359,368	\$0
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	-3.8%	-0.2%	2.4%	2.9%	0.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	254,709	250,857	253,969	251,809	--
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	12,342	12,182	12,878	12,849	--

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.

FISCAL YEAR 2027 TUITION AND FEE PROPOSAL
University of Kansas
(Includes KU-Lawrence, KU-Edwards, and KU-Medical Center)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- University leadership remains committed to keeping tuition and fees as affordable as possible while sustaining high-quality academic programs during a period of significant change in higher education. To address rising costs and maintain competitiveness with peer institutions, the University of Kansas proposes targeted tuition adjustments. At the Lawrence/Edwards Campus, a 4% increase is proposed for undergraduate resident tuition, along with consolidation of the \$3 infrastructure fee into standard tuition, and a 5% increase for non-resident undergraduate and all standard tuition rates. At the Medical Center Campus, a 3% increase is proposed for all standard tuition rates, excluding non-resident medical school tuition, for which no increase is proposed to remain competitive. The additional revenue will help offset increased costs related to cybersecurity, aging infrastructure, evolving federal grant requirements, reduced state support, and other economic pressures, while supporting university operations and student needs.
- The University of Kansas Student Assembly proposes no increase to the Lawrence/Edwards Campus \$532.50 per semester (full-time student) required student fee. The University requests a 5.1% increase to the Medical Center required student fee to \$446.91 to support additional student programming and services.
- At the Lawrence/Edwards Campus, the University proposes that the majority of course fees remain unchanged, with eleven fees staying flat, two modest increases to address program-specific needs while remaining competitive, and the elimination of one fee. Specifically, course fees would increase by \$10.00 per student credit hour in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences and by \$15.00 per student credit hour in the School of Journalism & Mass Communications, while the \$34.55 Edwards Campus Programs course fee would be eliminated. At the Medical Center Campus, ten course fees are proposed to remain flat, with targeted increases of \$14.00 per credit hour for Health Professions (undergraduate) and \$34.12 per credit hour for the Genetic Counseling (master's) program.
- The University proposes one new course fee at the Medical Center campus: Dietetics & Nutrition (doctor) of \$50.00 per student credit hour. The revenue generated from this course fee will sustain and enhance student programs for the program while remaining competitive with peer institutions.
- Student representatives at both campuses participated in tuition and fee discussions for their respective campus and acknowledged the need for tuition rate increases.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES

All Students

A 4% increase to the undergraduate resident standard rate and a 5% increase to all other standard rates is proposed for FY 2027.

In addition, KU proposes consolidating the separate \$3 per credit hour infrastructure fee into standard tuition rates.

KU Lawrence and Edwards	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Resident Undergraduate	\$376.60	\$394.80	\$15.20
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$1,005.90	\$1,059.30	\$50.40
Resident Graduate	\$474.90	\$501.80	\$23.90
Non-Resident Graduate	\$1,117.10	\$1,176.10	\$56.00
Resident Law & Pharmacy	\$474.90	\$501.80	\$50.40
Non-Resident Law & Pharmacy	\$712.30	\$751.10	\$38.80

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses, as applicable

A 3% increase to standard rates is proposed for all undergraduate and graduate students for FY 2027. A 3% increase is also proposed for resident medical school tuition with no increase proposed for non-resident medical school tuition for FY 2027 to remain competitive and align with national market rates.

KU Medical Center	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Resident Undergraduate	\$383.10	\$394.60	\$11.50
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$997.60	\$1,027.50	\$29.90
Resident Graduate	\$471.40	\$485.50	\$14.10
Non-Resident Graduate	\$1,107.80	\$1,141.00	\$33.20
Resident Medical School (annual tuition)	\$42,413.20	\$43,685.60	\$1,272.40
Non-Resident Medical School (annual tuition)	\$72,905.80	\$72,905.80	-

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses, as applicable.

Other Tuition Rates (Lawrence and Edwards Campus)

1. Market Based Programs (including online programs)

Tuition rates for online programs and other unique programs are set based on market analysis for each program and are all-inclusive (no additional fees are assessed). All non-standard rate programs (including online programs) use the per student credit hour structure below. No increase is proposed for FY 2027.

**All-Inclusive Rate Programs
Tiered Rate Structure
(Approved 11/2023)**

	Rate
Tier 1	\$445
Tier 2	\$495
Tier 3	\$545
Tier 4	\$595
Tier 5	\$695
Tier 6	\$795
Tier 7	\$895
Tier 8	\$995
Tier 9	\$1,095

2. Competency-Based Education (CBE) Programs

Subscription rates for competency-based education programs are set based on market analysis for each program and are all-inclusive. Students can enroll in an eight-week or 16-week subscription term and are charged a flat rate for that term regardless of their number of enrolled competencies within the term. The tuition rate structure for KU’s CBE programs aligns with the All-Inclusive Rate tiers below.

**CBE Programs Subscription-Based
Rate Structure**

	16-Week Term 6+ Competencies	8-Week Term 3+ Competencies
Tier 1	\$3,465	\$1,733
Tier 2	\$3,815	\$1,908
Tier 3	\$4,165	\$2,083
Tier 4	\$4,865	\$2,433
Tier 5	\$5,565	\$2,783
Tier 6	\$6,265	\$3,133
Tier 7	\$6,965	\$3,483

3. Infrastructure Fee

KU proposes consolidating the separate \$3 per credit hour infrastructure fee into standard tuition rates.

Other Fee Rates	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Infrastructure Fee (per credit hour)	\$3.00	\$0	(\$3.00)

4. Applied English Center

A 4% increase to the resident Applied English Center tuition rates and a 5% increase to non-resident Applied English Center tuition rates is proposed for FY 2027.

In addition, KU proposes consolidating the separate \$3 per credit hour infrastructure fee into standard tuition rates.

Applied English Center (AEC) Tuition Rates	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Resident AEC Rate	\$376.60	\$394.80	\$18.20
Non-Resident AEC Rate	\$864.20	\$910.60	\$46.40

5. International Student Fee

A 7% increase to the International Student Fee is proposed for FY 2027 to support services while remaining competitive with peer institutions.

International Student Fee ¹	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Fall/Spring	\$196.40	\$210.00	\$13.60
Summer ²	\$98.20	\$105.00	\$6.80

¹Per enrolled student per term; Non-refundable on or after the first day of class.

²Flat rate based on ½ of semesterly rate.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS; include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

Lawrence and Edwards Campus

Lawrence and Edwards campus course fees are typically developed through a school’s dean’s office with support from their student councils. Funds are used to support the school’s teaching mission and student support.

KU Lawrence and Edwards Program-Specific Tuition or Fee	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One-Year Dollar Change
Architecture & Design	\$70.45	\$70.45	\$70.45	\$120.45	\$120.45	\$0
Business	\$126.30	\$126.30	\$126.30	\$126.30	\$126.30	\$0
Business (Masters)	\$103.90	\$103.90	\$103.90	\$103.90	\$103.90	\$0
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences - Arts	\$27.80	\$27.80	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$0
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences	--	--	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
Education & Human Sciences	\$28.35	\$28.35	\$28.35	\$33.35	\$33.35	\$0
Edwards Campus Programs	\$34.55	\$34.55	\$34.55	\$34.55	\$0	(\$34.55)
Engineering	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$0
Engineering-Edwards Campus (Masters)	\$61.30	\$61.30	\$61.30	\$61.30	\$61.30	\$0
Journalism and Mass Communications	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$15.00
Law	\$332.00	\$332.00	\$382.00	\$382.00	\$382.00	\$0
Music	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$0
Pharmacy	\$289.25	\$289.25	\$289.25	\$289.25	\$289.25	\$0
Social Welfare	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$0

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) proposes an increase in course fees of \$10.00 per student credit hour. The increase would generate approximately \$3 million in new revenue and is necessary to positively impact the student success and learning outcomes, particularly related to Core-34 curriculum and Math and English pathways. This course fee was first implemented in FY 2025 and will continue to remain competitive with peer institutions.

KU proposes eliminating the \$34.55 Edwards Campus Programs course fee. The original purpose of this fee is no longer applicable, and the administrative burden associated with tracking and managing the revenue outweighs the limited financial benefit. Removing this fee aligns with KU’s broader goal of simplifying the fee structure assessed to students.

The School of Journalism and Mass Communications proposes an increase in course fees of \$15.00 per student credit hour. Supported by student focus groups and study surveys, the increase would generate an estimated \$270,000 in new revenue to fund an increased technology need, such as new video and photography equipment, an update to the television studio, and software for students. The course fee was last increased in FY 2025 and with the increase the School of Journalism and Mass Communications will continue to remain competitive with peer institutions.

Medical Center Campus

Medical Center campus course fees are generally established through the respective school’s dean’s office, often in collaboration with student representatives. These funds support the school’s educational mission and student services.

KU Medical School Program-Specific Tuition or Fee	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	Dollar Change
Health Professions (Undergraduate)	\$55.45	\$55.45	\$55.45	\$55.45	\$69.45	\$14.00
Nursing (Graduate)	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$0
Nursing (Undergraduate)	\$33.25	\$33.25	\$33.25	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0
Nurse Anesthesia (Doctor)	\$243.00	\$343.00	\$343.00	\$543.00	\$543.00	\$0
Occupational Therapy (Graduate)	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$0
Physical Therapy (Doctor)	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$0
Athletic Training (Masters)	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$121.55	\$0
Clinical Nutrition (Doctor)	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0
Health Informatics (Masters & Certificate)*	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$144.10	\$0
Genetic Counseling (Masters)	--	--	--	\$121.55	\$155.67	\$34.12
Clinical Laboratory Science (Doctor)	--	--	--	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$0
Biostatistics & Data Science (Online)	--	--	--	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0
Dietetics & Nutrition (Doctor)	--	--	--	--	\$50.00	\$50.00

*Previously part of the Nursing (Graduate) course fee.

The School of Health Professions – Undergraduate proposes an increase in course fees for undergraduate students of \$14 per credit hour. This increase would raise the total cost of a 60-credit professional phase by \$840. The additional revenue would be utilized to offset rising costs for lab supplies, technology, accreditation fees, and student success initiatives. The School of Health Professions has not raised this fee since FY 2017 and it will support the School in maintaining accreditation standards, keeping modern training environments, and continuing to invest in workforce readiness while remaining affordable and

competitive nationally.

The School of Health Professions – Master of Science in Genetic Counseling program proposes a new Clinical Experience Fee of \$34.12 per credit hour to support the growing cost of high-quality clinical training. This fee would fund essential components of experiential education required for accreditation compliance, including clinical logbook software, supervisor continuing education support, and clinical simulation activities. This proposal would remain cost-competitive with peer programs while ensuring there is sustainable clinical infrastructure, consistent student supervision, and enhanced preparedness for professional practice.

The School of Health Professions – Doctor of Dietetics and Nutrition proposes a new \$50 per credit hour course fee applied to all PhD coursework to support unfunded student research and specialized training needs. This fee would generate approximately \$6,750 annually to cover research supplies, lab access, software, training support, and poster printing. Peer institutions charge significantly higher program-specific fees which positions the School's proposal as affordable while still strengthening research capacity and student success.

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

None

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

None

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

Lawrence and Edwards Campus

The Budget and Tuition Advisory Committee is composed of KU Lawrence and KU Edwards students (ten), with support of one dean, and staff/administrators (seven). Students were recommended by Deans and Vice Provosts to broaden and enhance the student perspective into the tuition and fee process.

The Committee held a workshop during the spring semester that included a high-level overview of the University budget and a brainstorming session to identify top priorities for the 2027 academic year. While the Committee was mindful that any proposed tuition increase would have an impact on students with limited resources, they understood the importance of an increase in tuition. The committee wanted to specifically prioritize spending on market wages for all employee types, enhancing transportation and parking options, and enhancing student support services.

Medical Center Campus

The University of Kansas Medical Center's Tuition and Fees Advisory Committee includes representation from students, faculty, and staff. Students elected to the Student Governing Council (SGC) are appointed to serve on the Committee. Administrative members represent key campus units, including the Office of Academic and Student Affairs, the School of Nursing, the School of Medicine, the School of Health

Professions, Graduate Studies, and Institutional Finance. The Committee convenes regularly throughout the academic year to review and discuss matters related to tuition and fees.

The Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and the Associate Vice Chancellor – Controller met with the Tuition and Fees Advisory Committee to provide an overview of the Medical Center’s financial needs and to present the rationale for a proposed tuition increase for all KUMC students.

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

Discuss the projected increase in tuition revenues resulting from the proposals discussed above, describing both the projected increase attributable to rate increases and the projected change attributable to enrollment changes.

Describe the proposed need/uses for increased tuition revenues as follows:

1. Amount of tuition increase necessary to fund “existing basic operations.” This category includes expenses that are non-discretionary, such as utilities and fringe benefit rates.
2. Amount of tuition increase required to finance a proposed salary increase.
3. Amount of increase necessary for other institutional enhancement(s) listing individually each proposed enhancement.

*Note: See **Appendix F-1** for the university’s planned uses of the additional tuition revenues. **Appendix F-2** gives the status of the university’s General Fees Fund (where tuition is deposited). **Appendix F-3** compares the FY 2027 revenue changes by major category to historical figures.*

Lawrence and Edwards Campus

The Lawrence/Edwards Campus estimates State base funding to reduce \$5.4 million and additional funding of \$2.7 million for salary and fringes. To help offset the reduction, the University is proposing tuition rate increases. The Lawrence/Edwards Campus estimates that the proposed tuition rate increases to standard tuition rates with an increase to student headcount would generate an additional \$19.7 million annually. This increased funding will help cover cost increases in Fiscal Year 2027 including:

- **Student Financial Aid** – The Lawrence/Edwards Campus estimate \$2.4 million in increased scholarship costs to support and achieve the University’s strategic enrollment goals.
- **Employee Salary/Benefit Increases and Promotions** – The Lawrence/Edwards Campus project approximately \$10 to \$15 million in annualized state and tuition funded employee salary increases, with the majority of costs occurring midyear and contingent on fall 2026 enrollment and FY 2026 year-end balances. These general-use increases reflect promotions, market-based pay adjustments, benefit changes, and other compensation actions subject to labor union negotiations. To remain structurally balanced, the University will need to offset these increases through reductions to existing expenditures or additional revenue, as only an estimated \$2.7 million in additional State funding is available to support employee salary and fringe benefit increases.

- **Existing Basic Operations & Strategic Priorities** – The Lawrence/Edwards Campus have planned \$3.9 million in basic operations increases and strategic priority investments. These investments support a growing student headcount and key operational needs, including higher facility operating costs, contractual rate increases, expanded cybersecurity requirements, and additional technology support. No additional State funding is provided to offset these basic operations increases, and operating SGF funding for National Institute of Student Success (NISS) support will be eliminated in FY 2027.

The increase in FY 2027 costs of \$21.3 million along with a decrease in overall state funding of \$2.7 million results in a gap of \$24 million. The proposed tuition rate increases and increased student headcount is estimated to generate \$19.8 million resulting in a shortfall of \$4.2 million. Using the five-year financial plan, the Lawrence/Edwards Campus will continue to enhance revenues, use cash reserves, and cut costs, while maintaining high credit ratings during a time of constant change.

Medical Center Campus

KU Medical Center campus estimates a 3% increase to all undergraduate, graduate, and resident medical programs would generate an additional \$0.8 million annually. This increased funding will help cover cost increases in Fiscal Year 2027 including:

- **Student Financial Aid** – An increase of \$1.1 million in financial aid specifically for undergraduate School of Nursing and School of Health Professions students based upon forecasted expected increases in admissions.
- **Employee Salary/Benefit Increases and Promotions** – The Medical Center campus projects \$1.7 million in annualized state and tuition funded increases related to employee salary increases, with the majority of costs occurring midyear. The remaining employee salary increases will be directed from non-general use sources. These general-use increases reflect promotions, market-based pay adjustments, benefit changes and other compensation actions subject to labor union negotiations. The State has increased funding to provide \$1.1 million in salary increases, while the \$0.6 million remains unfunded for benefit rate adjustments and promotions.
- **Existing Basic Operation Costs & Strategic Priorities** – The Medical Center campus forecasts cost increases associated with general operations, including increased facility operating costs, contractual rate increases, cybersecurity and technology increases, and inflationary increases for other operating expenses. However, these increases along with strategic priority investments will be funded with non-general use dollars, given that there is no increase in State funding.

These cost increases total \$2.8 million, partially offset by the estimated \$1.1 million increased State funding resulting in a gap of \$1.7 million. The proposed tuition rate increase is estimated to generate \$0.8 million resulting in a shortfall of \$0.9 million. Using the five-year financial plan, the Medical Center campus will continue to enhance revenues, use cash reserves, and cut costs, while maintaining high credit ratings during a time of constant change.

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

KU leadership is committed to minimizing the student impact of the current climate facing higher education. The University has a history of budget reductions, discontinuance of academic programs, and

continues to focus on continuous improvement to enhance processes, improve service, and reduce costs, allowing the University to maintain low tuition rate increases at both campuses.

The University has made historic strides in strategic enrollment management and increased research funding as well as other revenue growth and cost savings initiatives. While these achievements are significant, the University also faces increased costs, cybersecurity threats, aging infrastructure, unprecedented changes to the federal grant landscape, and other economic pressures at a time of investing in its employees through market wages.

Using its five-year financial plans, the University will continue to analyze the impact of the ever-changing higher education landscape and adjust spending, use of cash reserves, and examine new revenue opportunities as necessary. This strategy allows the University to limit the tuition rate increases between 4% and 5% while remaining competitive with peer institutions.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

Lawrence and Edwards Campus

Students and student leaders assume full responsibility for initiating and reviewing any changes to the Required Student Fees and Wellness Fees. All Required Student Fees and Wellness Fees have a student advisory board and a university department providing administrative oversight. As a general rule, fee proposals are reviewed and approved by the appropriate student advisory board. Then the proposal is reviewed and approved by the Student Senate Council and Student Assembly.

The University of Kansas Student Assembly is proposing no increase to the combined Required Student Fee and Wellness Fee in FY 2027. The required student fee continues to be \$532.50 per semester for a full-time student.

KU Lawrence and Edwards Student Fee	Approved FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027 Fee	Dollar Change
Required Student Fee	\$287.10	\$286.60	(\$.50)
Required Wellness Fee	\$245.40	\$245.90	\$0.50
Total Required Fee	\$532.50	\$532.50	\$0

Medical Center Campus

The University of Kansas Medical Center proposes an increase of \$21.51 per semester in its Campus Required Fee. The increases would generate approximately \$120,300 annually. The fee increase would support student programming, including orientation, wellness initiatives, interprofessional engagement, student organizations, and campus-wide events. The increase would also sustain critical counseling, psychiatric, academic coaching, and writing support services.

KU Medical Center Student Fee	Approved FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027 Fee	Dollar Change
Campus Required Fee	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51

Note: The required campus fee is not assessed in the summer, except for new, entering students.

I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bachelor of Science in Finance, School of Business	
Student Headcount	1,326
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,844
Required Fees all students	\$1,065
Required Fees-program specific	\$3,151
Total	\$16,060

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences	
Student Headcount	1,298
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,844
Required Fees all students	\$1,065
Required Fees-program specific	\$600
Total	\$13,509

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, School of Journalism & Mass Communications	
Student Headcount	1,005
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,844
Required Fees all students	\$1,065
Required Fees-program specific	\$960
Total	\$13,869

Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science, School of Education & Human Sciences	
Student Headcount	868
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,844
Required Fees all students	\$1,065
Required Fees-program specific	\$800
Total	\$13,709

Appendix A

University: KU Lawrence
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,484.00	\$5,649.00	\$5,920.50	\$271.50	4.8%
Required Fees*	\$612.95	\$623.40	\$714.45	\$91.05	14.6%
Infrastructure Fees	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$0.00	(\$45.00)	-100.0%
Total	\$6,141.95	\$6,317.40	\$6,634.95	\$317.55	5.0%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$14,649.00	\$15,088.50	\$15,888.00	\$799.50	5.3%
Required Fees*	\$612.95	\$623.40	\$714.45	\$91.05	14.6%
Infrastructure Fees	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$0.00	(\$45.00)	-100.0%
Total	\$15,306.95	\$15,756.90	\$16,602.45	\$845.55	5.4%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,427.60	\$5,698.80	\$6,019.20	\$320.40	5.6%
Required Fees*	\$551.57	\$562.02	\$591.66	\$29.64	5.3%
Infrastructure Fees	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$0.00	(\$36.00)	-100.0%
Total	\$6,015.17	\$6,296.82	\$6,610.86	\$314.04	5.0%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$13,015.20	\$13,405.20	\$14,112.00	\$706.80	5.3%
Required Fees*	\$551.57	\$562.02	\$591.66	\$29.64	5.3%
Infrastructure Fees	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$0.00	(\$36.00)	-100.0%
Total	\$13,602.77	\$14,003.22	\$14,703.66	\$700.44	5.0%

*Reflects the average KU student required student fee, wellness fee, and weighted average CLAS course fees.

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University: KU Edwards
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,484.00	\$5,649.00	\$5,920.50	\$271.50	4.8%
Required Fees*	\$559.25	\$1,087.95	\$606.90	(\$481.05)	-44.2%
Total	\$6,043.25	\$6,736.95	\$6,527.40	(\$209.55)	-3.1%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$14,649.00	\$15,088.50	\$15,888.00	\$799.50	5.3%
Required Fees*	\$559.25	\$1,087.95	\$606.90	(\$481.05)	-44.2%
Total	\$15,208.25	\$16,176.45	\$16,494.90	\$318.45	2.0%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,427.60	\$5,698.80	\$6,019.20	\$320.40	5.6%
Required Fees*	\$541.02	\$966.06	\$570.42	(\$395.64)	-41.0%
Total	\$5,968.62	\$6,664.86	\$6,589.62	(\$75.24)	-1.1%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$13,015.20	\$13,405.20	\$14,112.00	\$706.80	5.3%
Required Fees*	\$541.02	\$966.06	\$570.42	(\$395.64)	-41.0%
Total	\$13,556.22	\$14,371.26	\$14,682.42	\$311.16	2.2%

*Reflects the average KU student required student fee (reduced for proposed alignment), wellness fee, and weighted average CLAS course fees.

Appendix A

**University: KU Medical Center
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester**

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,578.50	\$5,746.50	\$5,919.00	\$172.50	3.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$6,003.90	\$6,171.90	\$6,365.91	\$194.01	3.1%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$14,527.50	\$14,964.00	\$15,412.50	\$448.50	3.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$14,952.90	\$15,389.40	\$15,859.41	\$470.01	3.1%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,492.40	\$5,656.80	\$5,826.00	\$169.20	3.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$5,917.80	\$6,082.20	\$6,272.91	\$190.71	3.1%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours) *					
Tuition	\$12,906.00	\$13,293.60	\$13,692.00	\$398.40	3.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$13,331.40	\$13,719.00	\$14,138.91	\$419.91	3.1%
Resident Medical School (flat rate per semester)					
Tuition	\$20,588.95	\$21,206.60	\$21,842.80	\$636.20	3.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$21,014.35	\$21,632.00	\$22,289.71	\$657.71	3.0%
Non-Resident Medical School (flat rate per semester)					
Tuition	\$36,452.90	\$36,452.90	\$36,452.90	\$0.00	0.0%
Required Fees	\$425.40	\$425.40	\$446.91	\$21.51	5.1%
Total	\$36,878.30	\$36,878.30	\$36,899.81	\$21.51	0.1%

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University: KU - Lawrence/Edwards
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - Eliminate National Institute of Student Success (NISS) Support	(\$1,221,900)
SGF - Fringe Benefit Changes	\$1,046,164
SGF - 2.5% Reduction	(\$4,167,176)
SGF - Estimated 1% Pay Plan	\$1,661,600
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$14,287,000
Estimated Revenue from Increase Headcount	\$5,484,311
Total General Use Sources	\$17,089,999
Planned Uses	
Student Financial Aid	\$2,391,275
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	\$710,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	\$2,590,730
Employee Salary Increases	\$11,700,000
Facilities and IT	\$1,800,000
Strategic Priorities	\$2,148,393
Total General Use Planned Uses	\$21,340,398
Net Margin*	(\$4,250,399)

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
Course fees - CLAS, Journalism	\$3,285,000
Total Restricted Fee Sources	\$3,285,000
Planned Uses	
Course fees - CLAS, Journalism	\$3,285,000
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	\$3,285,000
Net Margin	\$0

*Reflects the full annualized cost of a pay increase implemented mid-year; offsetting expense reductions or revenue increases will be required to maintain structural balance.

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University: KU - Medical Center
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - Estimated 1% Pay Plan	\$742,817
SGF - Fringe Benefit Changes	\$397,692
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$752,263
Total General Use Sources	\$1,892,772
Planned Uses	
Student Financial Aid	\$1,040,000
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure	\$100,000
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	\$569,160
Employee Salary Increases*	\$1,064,508
Facilities and IT*	\$0
Total General Use Planned Uses	\$2,773,668
Net Margin	(\$880,896)

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
Health Professions Undergraduate	\$25,000
Genetic Counseling Masters	\$17,400
Dietetics & Nutrition Doctorate	\$6,750
Student Life and Counseling/Education Services	\$120,300
Total Restricted Fee Sources	\$169,450
Planned Uses	
Health Professions materials, fees, and initiatives	\$25,000
Genetic Counseling educational components	\$17,400
Dietetic and Nutrition research and lab supplies	\$6,750
Student Life and Counseling/Education Services	\$120,300
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	\$169,450
Net Margin	\$0

*Increased facilities and IT costs and a majority of employee salary costs will be funded with non-general use dollars.

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University: KU - Lawrence/Edwards

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$51,585,032	\$33,075,254	\$29,085,476	\$29,885,708	\$10,153,994
Revenue	294,175,286	325,992,807	361,241,149	377,385,626	397,156,937
Total Available	\$345,760,318	\$359,068,061	\$390,326,625	\$407,271,334	\$407,310,931
Expenditures	312,702,857	329,987,963	360,440,917	397,117,340	397,457,738
Balance Forward	\$33,057,461	\$29,080,098	\$29,885,708	\$10,153,994	\$9,853,193
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	11.2%	8.9%	8.3%	2.7%	2.5%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$0

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University: KU - Medical Center

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$4,956,314	\$4,188,885	\$4,885,456	\$7,245,869	\$4,500,000
Revenue	45,412,725	54,246,448	56,855,382	56,634,185	59,939,188
Total Available	\$50,369,039	\$58,435,333	\$61,740,838	\$63,880,054	\$64,439,188
Expenditures	46,180,154	53,549,878	54,494,969	59,380,054	61,161,456
Balance Forward	\$4,188,885	\$4,885,456	\$7,245,869	\$4,500,000	\$3,277,732
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	9.2%	9.0%	12.7%	7.9%	5.5%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					3,277,732

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027: A balance forward is required in FY 2027 for payroll cash flow purposes until tuition is received at start of each fiscal year.

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University: KU - Lawrence/Edwards
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026⁴	FY 2027
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	\$8,923,728	\$30,813,810	\$36,450,890	\$16,144,477	\$19,771,311
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	6,726,410	12,054,000	33,572,693	27,547,887	19,771,311
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	\$2,197,318	\$18,759,810	\$2,878,197	(\$11,403,410)	\$0
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	0.7%	5.8%	0.8%	-3.0%	0.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	616,755	660,738	699,525	727,510	727,510
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	23,872	25,469	26,887	27,212	27,412

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2026 Assessments per OAC as of 04.15.2026

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University: KU - Medical Center
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	(\$4,841,808)	(\$2,941,711)	\$2,608,934	\$2,524,712	\$752,263
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	2,581,623	2,169,858	1,481,416	752,263
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	(\$4,841,808)	(\$360,088)	\$439,076	\$1,043,296	\$0
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	0.0%	-10.3%	0.8%	1.8%	0.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	--	--	--	--	--
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	3,766	3,886	3,961	3,957	4,047

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.

Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition and Fee Proposal
Kansas State University

Executive Summary:

Kansas State University proposes FY 2027 tuition rate adjustments that support critical investments in people, infrastructure, and student success while maintaining a strong commitment to affordability and market competitiveness.

For the Manhattan and Olathe campuses, the university proposes a 4.0% increase for resident and online programs and a 5.5% increase for non-resident students. Kansas State Veterinary Medicine proposes a 3.0% increase for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program.

K-State Salina will continue implementation of its multi-year plan to align tuition with the Manhattan campus, creating a more cohesive and consistent student experience across locations. FY 2027 represents the final year of this plan. Proposed undergraduate rate increases at Salina are 7.7% for resident students, 9.21% for non-resident students, and 6.42% for fully online programs. Graduate rates at Salina are proposed to increase by 4.0% for resident and online students and 5.5% for non-resident students.

The differentiated rate strategy is intentional, allowing the university to remain competitive in non-resident markets while keeping costs as reasonable as possible for Kansas residents and online learners. This approach supports enrollment stability while avoiding pricing that could limit access or reduce competitiveness.

Combined, these adjustments are projected to generate approximately \$10.78 million in additional revenue across all campuses.

These adjustments are directly aligned with K-State's Budget Transformation framework, a comprehensive effort to address financial challenges facing all higher education institutions. The university is taking a balanced approach by aligning resources more intentionally and prioritizing investments that sustain its land-grant mission.

A primary focus is a multi-year compensation initiative to address market gaps among faculty and staff, improve recruitment and retention, and strengthen the overall student experience. In parallel, the university continues to invest in critical infrastructure, including academic facilities, technology modernization, and student support services that enhance retention, access, and success.

Together, these investments are essential to preserving academic quality and delivering long-term value to students and the state. Even with these adjustments, K-State remains committed to affordability and continues to compare favorably with peer institutions.

The proposal and its associated investment priorities were reviewed with the student-led Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee (TFSC), which expressed support for the university's approach.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES (all students)

	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate¹	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate¹	Dollar Change
Manhattan Campus			
Resident Undergraduate Pre-College	\$129.81	\$129.81	\$0.00
Resident Associate's	-	\$250.00	NEW
Non-Resident Associate's	-	\$673.70	NEW
Resident Undergraduate	\$353.37	\$367.50	\$14.13
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$951.84	\$1,004.19	\$52.35
Resident Graduate	\$479.16	\$498.33	\$19.17
Non-Resident Graduate	\$1,071.49	\$1,130.42	\$58.93
Resident English Language Program	\$353.37	\$367.50	\$14.13
Non-Resident English Language Program	\$748.41	\$789.57	\$41.16
Olathe			
Undergraduate	\$353.37	\$367.50	\$14.13
Graduate	\$479.16	\$498.33	\$19.17
Salina			
Resident Undergraduate Pre-College	\$129.81	\$129.81	\$0.00
Resident Associate's	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
Non-Resident Associate's	\$673.70	\$673.70	\$0.00
Resident Undergraduate	\$341.23	\$367.50	\$26.27
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$919.54	\$1,004.19	\$84.65
Resident Graduate	\$479.16	\$498.33	\$19.17
Non-Resident Graduate	\$1,071.49	\$1,130.42	\$58.93
Veterinary Medicine			
Resident	\$610.81	\$629.13	\$18.32
Non-Resident	\$1,385.07	\$1,426.62	\$41.55

¹Rate includes \$4 Academic Infrastructure Fee for Manhattan campus only.

The FY 2027 rates include a \$14 per credit hour college instructional allocation for the Manhattan and Olathe campuses and \$13.20 per credit hour college instructional allocation for the Salina campus and Veterinary Medical Center. Funds collected from these allocations are distributed to the colleges, tracked separately, and allocated through processes that include student input.

Fully Online Programs

	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change
Manhattan Campus			
Resident Undergraduate	\$418.95	\$435.71	\$16.76
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$418.95	\$435.71	\$16.76
Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82
Non-Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82
Olathe			
Resident Undergraduate	\$418.95	\$435.71	\$16.76
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$418.95	\$435.71	\$16.76
Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82
Non-Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82
Salina			
Resident Undergraduate	\$409.42	\$435.71	\$26.29
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$409.42	\$435.71	\$26.29
Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82
Non-Resident Graduate	\$570.43	\$593.25	\$22.82

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses (including online), as applicable.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS, include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

Mixed Modality Programs (Face-to-Face, Hybrid, Online) - Resident and Non-Resident Undergraduate and Graduate Campus wide and College Fees

Per Credit Hour	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY2027	Dollar Change
Manhattan & Olathe						
College of Agriculture	\$22.90	\$22.90	\$22.90	\$22.90	\$85.00	\$62.10
College of Architecture	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
College of Arts and Sciences	\$17.40	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$0.00
College of Business Administration	\$69.10	\$74.10	\$74.10	\$74.10	\$74.10	\$0.00
Carl R. Ice College of Engineering	\$105.60	\$105.60	\$105.60	\$105.60	\$105.60	\$0.00
College of Health & Human Sciences (HHS)	\$28.60	\$28.60	\$28.60	\$28.60	\$28.60	\$0.00
College of HHS – Kinesiology	\$43.60	\$43.60	\$43.60	\$43.60	\$43.60	\$0.00
College of HHS – Interior Design and Fashion Studies	\$58.60	\$58.60	\$58.60	\$58.60	\$58.60	\$0.00
College of HHS – Personal Financial Planning	\$78.60	\$78.60	\$78.60	\$78.60	\$78.60	\$0.00

Per Credit Hour	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY2027	Dollar Change
College of HHS – Physician Assistant Program	\$58.60	\$58.60	\$103.60	\$103.60	\$103.60	\$0.00
College of Veterinary Medicine	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$0.00
College of Business Career Development Fee	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00

Fully Online Programs - Resident and Non-Resident Undergraduate and Graduate Campus wide and College Fees

Per Credit Hour	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed 2027	Dollar Change
Manhattan & Olathe						
College of Agriculture	\$87.90	\$87.90	\$87.90	\$87.90	\$87.90	\$0.00
College of Architecture	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
College of Arts & Sciences	\$26.90	\$26.90	\$26.90	\$26.90	\$26.90	\$0.00
College of Business Administration	\$132.00	\$137.00	\$137.00	\$137.00	\$137.00	\$0.00
Carl R. Ice College of Engineering	\$289.70	\$289.70	\$289.70	\$289.70	\$289.70	\$0.00
College of Health and Human Sciences	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$0.00
College of Veterinary Medicine	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$0.00

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

K-State Salina is completing a multi-year effort to align tuition rates with the Manhattan campus. The proposed FY 2027 increase represents the final step in this process and will bring tuition for both campuses into alignment.

Student governance at the Salina campus was engaged early in a multi-year tuition alignment plan, including communication of an anticipated annual increase of approximately 8% over a multi-year period for undergraduate and graduate rates. The proposed 2026–2027 increase was shared in advance with student leadership and subsequently presented to the full student governance body, where it aligned with previously communicated expectations and received no opposition.

Additionally, K-State Manhattan will introduce a new tuition rate for students enrolled in associate degree programs, aligned with the existing Salina pricing structure. This rate is set below standard undergraduate tuition to improve affordability and expand access. This approach is intended to enhance competitiveness with similar programs across the state, support enrollment growth, and increase overall net tuition revenue.

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

College of Architecture, Planning and Design

	Approved FY 2026 Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Rate	Dollar Change
Manhattan - Mixed Modality			
Resident Undergraduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00

	Approved FY 2026 Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Rate	Dollar Change
Resident Graduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
Non-Resident Graduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
Fully Online			
Undergraduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00
Graduate	\$55.00	\$66.00	\$11.00

An increase of \$11 per student credit hour is requested for College of Architecture, Planning and Design (APDesign) courses beginning Fall 2026. This fee will apply to all APDesign courses regardless of instructional modality. The proposed increase is expected to generate approximately \$250,000 annually and impact an estimated 1,400 students each year.

Revenue generated from the fee increase will continue to support the same priority areas identified when the fee was originally implemented. Specifically, funds will be used to enhance the educational experience through the acquisition of additional equipment, advanced technologies, and expanded technology support for both Seaton and Regnier Halls. The increase will also allow the college to continue the APDPro professional development program for students across the college.

The fee helps ensure that students remain equipped with current software and technological tools, enabling APDesign programs to remain competitive with peer institutions. As college facilities continue to evolve, the demand for integrated and specialized technologies has grown, requiring additional and sustained financial support. Over the past seven years, cumulative inflation has increased by 28.6%, significantly diminishing the college’s purchasing power and further underscoring the need for this adjustment.

In developing the proposal, the Dean and Associate Dean for Research met with the Dean’s Advisory Council, Dean’s Student Advisory Council, faculty, staff, and students to review the proposed fee increase and solicit feedback. Overall feedback was positive, with students acknowledging that the increase is necessary to meet the growing technological demands of APDesign programs.

The College Tuition Committee (CTC), composed entirely of students, unanimously approved the proposed fee increase. Subsequently, the Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee reviewed and accepted CTC’s recommendation unanimously.

College of Agriculture

	Approved FY 2026 Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Rate	Dollar Change
Manhattan - Mixed Modality			
Resident Undergraduate	\$22.90	\$85.00	\$62.10
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$22.90	\$85.00	\$62.10
Resident Graduate	\$22.90	\$85.00	\$62.10
Non-Resident Graduate	\$22.90	\$85.00	\$62.10

The College of Agriculture requests an increase to \$85.00 per student credit hour for on-campus students in College of Agriculture courses beginning Fall 2026. The Fully Online rate remains at \$87.90 per credit hour. The increase will generate approximately \$2.3 million annually to support expanded primary-role advising, student engagement and leadership, career development and industry engagement, instructional support to

expand online/hybrid offerings, paid student employees (tutors/peer advisors), student space improvements, and classroom/course technology upgrades.

This request addresses a structural funding gap created by more than a decade of minimal fee adjustments. The college's on-campus student fee was \$20.00 per credit hour in 2015 and increased only modestly to \$22.90 per credit hour in 2021 — the sole adjustment in over ten years. During this period, reduced availability of research indirect cost recovery funds and reallocated extension funds created additional pressure, as shared spaces such as labs, animal units, and other facilities were often funded entirely from those revenue streams; moving forward, teaching will need to support these spaces as well. The proposed increase brings the college's fee revenue closer in alignment with other colleges on campus while enabling new initiatives to improve retention, career outcomes, and flexible learning options.

The proposal was shared across multiple student forums, including College of Agriculture clubs and organizations upon request, as well as at an open student forum and the Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee, where it received student support.

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

The Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee (TFSC) is a student-led body composed of representatives from each academic college on the Manhattan campus, along with a representative from the Graduate School. University administrators serve as ex-officio members, including the Provost and Executive Vice President, Vice President for Academic Success and Student Affairs and Dean of Students, Vice President for Administration and Finance, and the Faculty Senate President.

The university administration presented the Fall 2026 tuition increase scenario to the TFSC for discussion and input. Following this review, the committee voted unanimously to support the proposed increase.

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

Discuss the projected increase in tuition revenues resulting from the proposals discussed above, describing both the projected increase attributable to rate increases and the projected change attributable to enrollment changes.

University: Kansas State University
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	Manhattan, Olathe, Salina, ESARP	Veterinary Medicine
Sources		
State General Fund Appropriations - Net Change from FY 2025 <i>Includes pay plan, fringe adjustments, legislative reduction on Main operating line, and discontinuation of NISS Playbook</i>	\$ (1,363,373)	\$ 254,583
Internal 1.1% Budget Reallocation & Other Budget Transformation Levers	\$ 12,424,305	
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$ 8,940,000	\$ 1,840,025
Estimated Revenue from Enrollment Growth	\$ 2,300,000	\$ -
Total General Use Sources	\$ 22,300,932	\$ 2,094,608
Planned Uses		
Promotions, Faculty Awards and Fringe Rate Changes	\$ 4,083,932	\$ 616,171
Market Study Pay Adjustments (mid-year deployment)	\$ 9,350,000	
Enrollment Management Investment	\$ 1,000,000	
NISS Playbook	\$ 667,000	
Student Athletics Academic Scholarships	\$ 4,200,000	
Other Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 1,478,437
Total General Use Planned Uses	\$ 22,300,932	\$2,094,608
Net Margin	\$ -	\$ -

The planned uses outlined above reflect the FY 2027 general use budget increases and focus on key cost increases and priority needs. These include rising utility and contract costs, faculty salary promotions, professorial performance awards, and fringe benefit rate adjustments. A significant portion of the funding will support the first phase of the university’s multi-year compensation effort, focused on addressing under-market positions. The budget also continues to support academic scholarships and efforts that improve student success, recruitment, and retention. Together, these investments are important to maintaining academic quality, supporting faculty and staff, and meeting the needs of students.

*Note: See **Appendix F-1** for the university’s planned uses of the additional tuition revenues. **Appendix F-2** gives the status of the university’s General Fees Fund (where tuition is deposited). **Appendix F-3** compares the FY 2027 revenue changes by major category to historical figures.*

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

The proposed rate adjustments are designed to remain as modest as possible while generating additional revenue to support critical institutional priorities. The university has implemented a university-wide budget reduction and resource realignment effort to help address financial needs and minimize the impact on students. A primary investment focus is a multi-year compensation initiative to address market gaps among faculty and staff which is an essential step to support recruitment, retention, and overall student experience. Additional investments will support student success and critical infrastructure. Even with these adjustments, K-State’s cost of attendance continues to compare favorably with peer institutions, reinforcing the university’s commitment to affordability.

Students have been actively engaged in budget transformation conversations and have a clear understanding of the university’s path to invest in people, infrastructure, and student support. The student-led Tuition and Fees Strategies Committee reviewed the proposal and expressed support for both the rate adjustments and the associated investment strategy.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

Student Fee	FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027	Dollar Change
Undergraduate			
1 st through 11 th hour (per credit hour)	\$40.77	\$42.69	\$1.92
12 credit hours or more	\$489.24	\$512.28	\$23.04
Graduate			
1 st through 8 th hour ¹ (per credit hour)	\$54.36	\$56.92	\$2.56
9 credit hours or more	\$489.24	\$512.28	\$23.04

The Student Services Fee Committee, comprised entirely of students, reviews the budgets of organizations supported by student services fees and works to balance affordability with the need to sustain essential student-facing services. In recent years, the committee has taken a measured approach to keep fee increases modest while ensuring service quality is maintained and affordability barriers are minimized.

For FY 2027, the committee voted to recommend a 4.71% increase to the Student Services Fee rate. This recommendation reflects rising costs impacting student-facing services, particularly those related to student health and well-being, and represents a balanced effort to maintain essential services while remaining mindful of affordability. Based on current enrollment projections, the increase is expected to generate approximately \$775,000 in additional revenue.

	% of FY 2026 Budget	% of FY 2027 Budget
FY 2027 Student Services Fee Investment		
Student Health Services (Lafene Health Center and CAPS)	52%	53%
K-State Student Union	21%	20%
Recreational Services	13%	13%
Other Student-Facing Support Services	15%	14%
Total	100%	100%

Salina Campus

Like the Manhattan campus, Salina assesses a mandatory student fee for students enrolled in on-campus courses. The fee is allocated annually by the Salina Campus Student Governing Association, with guidance from university administration. The recommended rate for FY 2027 is \$330 per full-time student, representing no change from FY 2026.

Salina Campus	Approved FY 2026 Fee	Proposed FY 2027 Fee	Dollar Change
Undergraduate			
1 st through 11 th hour (per credit hour)	\$27.50	\$27.50	\$0.00
12 credit hours or more	\$330.00	\$330.00	\$0.00
Graduate			
1 st through 8 th hour ¹ (per credit hour)	\$36.67	\$36.67	\$0.00
9 credit hours or more	\$330.00	\$330.00	\$0.00

I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	
Student Headcount	1,511
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,025
Required Fees all students	\$1,025
Required Fees-program specific	\$2,423
Total	\$14,473

Bachelor of Science in Animal Science	
Student Headcount	1,202
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,025
Required Fees all students	\$1,025
Required Fees-program specific	\$2,550
Total	\$14,600

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	
Student Headcount	835
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,025
Required Fees all students	\$1,025
Required Fees-program specific	\$3,168
Total	\$15,218

Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology	
Student Headcount	647
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,025
Required Fees all students	\$1,025
Required Fees-program specific	\$1,308
Total	\$13,358

Bachelor of Science in Psychology	
Student Headcount	470
Tuition (30 hours)	\$11,025
Required Fees all students	\$1,025
Required Fees-program specific	\$900
Total	\$12,950

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	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Manhattan Campus					
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,121.30	\$5,300.55	\$5,512.50	\$211.95	4.0%
Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
Total	\$5,610.54	\$5,789.79	\$6,024.78	\$234.99	4.1%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$13,794.75	\$14,277.60	\$15,062.85	\$785.25	5.5%
Required Fees	\$489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
Total	\$14,283.99	\$14,766.84	\$15,575.13	\$808.29	5.5%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,555.52	\$5,749.92	\$5,979.96	\$230.04	4.0%
Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
Total	\$6,044.76	\$6,239.16	\$6,492.24	\$253.08	4.1%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$12,423.12	\$12,857.88	\$13,565.04	\$707.16	5.5%
Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
Total	\$12,912.36	\$13,347.12	\$14,077.32	\$730.20	5.5%
Resident Associate Degree (12 hours)					
Tuition			\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	New in FY 2027
Required Fees			512.28	\$512.28	
Total			\$3,512.28	\$3,512.28	
Non-Resident Associate Degree (12 hours)					
Tuition			\$8,084.40	\$8,084.40	New in FY 2027
Required Fees			512.28	\$512.28	
Total			\$8,596.68	\$8,596.68	
Pre-College (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$1,881.30	\$1,947.15	\$1,947.15	\$0.00	0.0%
Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
Total	\$2,370.54	\$2,436.39	\$2,459.43	\$23.04	0.9%
Salina Campus					
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$4,739.25	\$5,118.45	\$5,512.50	\$394.05	7.7%
Required Fees	330.00	330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total	\$5,069.25	\$5,448.45	\$5,842.50	\$394.05	7.2%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$12,771.45	\$13,793.10	\$15,062.85	\$1,269.75	9.2%
Required Fees	330.00	330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total	\$13,101.45	\$14,123.10	\$15,392.85	\$1,269.75	9.0%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$5,463.48	\$5,749.92	\$5,979.96	\$230.04	4.0%
Required Fees	330.00	330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total	\$5,793.48	\$6,079.92	\$6,309.96	\$230.04	3.8%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$12,303.96	\$12,857.88	\$13,565.04	\$707.16	5.5%
Required Fees	330.00	330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total	\$12,633.96	\$13,187.88	\$13,895.04	\$707.16	5.4%
Resident Associate Degree (12 hours)					
Tuition		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	--	0.0%
Required Fees		330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total		\$3,330.00	\$3,330.00	--	0.0%
Non-Resident Associate Degree (12 hours)					
Tuition		\$8,084.40	\$8,084.40	--	0.0%
Required Fees		330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total		\$8,414.40	\$8,414.40	--	0.0%
Pre-College (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$1,881.30	\$1,947.15	\$1,947.15	--	0.0%
Required Fees	330.00	330.00	330.00	--	0.0%
Total	\$2,211.30	\$2,277.15	\$2,277.15	--	0.0%

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Full Time, Per Semester

		Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Veterinary Medicine	Resident (20 hours)					
	Tuition	\$11,919.40	\$12,216.20	\$12,582.60	\$366.40	3.0%
	Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%
	Total	\$12,408.64	\$12,705.44	\$13,094.88	\$389.44	3.1%
	Non-Resident (20 hours)					
	Tuition	\$20,269.35	\$27,701.40	\$28,532.40	\$831.00	3.0%
Required Fees	489.24	489.24	512.28	\$23.04	4.7%	
Total	\$20,758.59	\$28,190.64	\$29,044.68	\$854.04	3.0%	
Olathe Campus	Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$5,121.30	\$5,300.55	\$5,512.50	\$211.95	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$5,121.30	\$5,300.55	\$5,512.50	\$211.95	4.0%
	Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$5,555.52	\$5,749.92	\$5,979.96	\$230.04	4.0%
Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%	
Total	\$5,555.52	\$5,749.92	\$5,979.96	\$230.04	4.0%	

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Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students - Fully Online)
Full Time, Per Semester

		Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Manhattan Campus	Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
Total	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%	
Salina Campus	Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$5,685.00	\$6,141.30	\$6,535.65	\$394.35	6.4%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$5,685.00	\$6,141.30	\$6,535.65	\$394.35	6.4%
	Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$5,685.00	\$6,141.30	\$6,535.65	\$394.35	6.4%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$5,685.00	\$6,141.30	\$6,535.65	\$394.35	6.4%
	Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,541.20	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,541.20	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,541.20	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
Total	\$6,541.20	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%	
Olathe Campus	Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,071.70	\$6,284.25	\$6,535.65	\$251.40	4.0%
	Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
	Total	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
	Tuition	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%
	Required Fees	--	--	--	--	0.0%
Total	\$6,613.68	\$6,845.16	\$7,119.00	\$273.84	4.0%	

KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	Manhattan, Olathe, Salina, ESARP	Veterinary Medicine
Sources		
State General Fund Appropriations - Net Change from FY 2025 <i>Includes pay plan, fringe adjustments, legislative reduction on Main operating line, and discontinuation of NISS Playbook</i>	(\$1,363,373)	\$254,583
Internal 1.1% Budget Reallocation & Other Budget Transformation Levers	\$12,424,305	
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$8,940,000	\$1,840,025
Estimated Revenue from Enrollment Growth	\$2,300,000	\$0
Total General Use Sources	\$22,300,932	\$2,094,608
Planned Uses		
Promotions, Faculty Awards and Fringe Rate Changes	\$4,083,932	\$616,171
Market Study Pay Adjustments (mid-year deployment)	\$9,350,000	
Enrollment Management Investment	\$1,000,000	
NISS Playbook	\$667,000	
Student Athletics Academic Scholarships	\$4,200,000	
Other Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance, etc.)	\$3,000,000	\$1,478,437
Total General Use Planned Uses	\$22,300,932	\$2,094,608
Net Margin	\$0	\$0

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University: KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$60,414,065	\$71,252,710	\$72,298,579	\$70,439,112	\$63,764,804
Revenue	195,362,319	203,767,182	213,439,366	225,043,603	236,283,603
Total Available	\$255,776,384	\$275,019,892	\$285,737,945	\$295,482,715	\$300,048,407
Expenditures	184,523,674	202,721,313	215,298,833	231,717,910	242,957,910
Balance Forward	\$71,252,710	\$72,298,579	\$70,439,112	\$63,764,804	\$57,090,496
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	36.5%	35.5%	33.0%	28.3%	24.2%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$0

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027:

College and department reserves are held to fund summer payroll, startup costs and to purchase equipment. Modest central reserves are used to fund critical infrastructure needs and address other one-time needs.

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University: KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - VMC

General Fees Fund Summary

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$2,406,763	\$5,144,097	\$1,112,915	\$826,391	\$0
Revenue	19,719,246	19,861,685	20,747,606	20,658,679	22,498,704
Total Available	\$22,126,009	\$25,005,782	\$21,860,521	\$21,485,070	\$22,498,704
Expenditures	16,981,912	23,892,867	21,034,130	21,485,070	22,498,704
Balance Forward	\$5,144,097	\$1,112,915	\$826,391	\$0	\$0
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	26.1%	5.6%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$0

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027:

College and department reserves are held to fund summer payroll, startup costs and to purchase equipment. Modest central reserves are used to fund critical infrastructure needs and address other one-time needs.

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**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases**

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	(\$5,234,661)	\$8,405,485	\$9,672,486	\$11,604,251	\$11,240,000
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	9,330,613	5,353,656	8,380,360	8,940,000
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	(\$5,234,661)	(\$925,128)	\$4,318,830	\$3,223,891	\$2,300,000
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	-2.7%	-0.5%	2.0%	1.4%	1.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	471,758	475,432	490,556	514,309	523,309
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	19,242	19,270	19,802	20,719	20,995

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.

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KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - VMC
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	\$705,472	\$142,439	\$884,721	(\$87,727)	\$1,840,025
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	1,195,052	229,743	964,903	1,840,025
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	\$705,472	(\$1,052,613)	\$654,978	(\$1,052,630)	\$0
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	3.6%	-5.3%	3.2%	-5.1%	0.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	23,056	23,297	23,473	23,946	23,946
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	480	475	493	494	494

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.



**Fiscal Year 2027 Tuition and Fee Proposal
PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**

Pittsburg State
University

Executive Summary:

Pittsburg State University proposes a 3.5% increase in undergraduate tuition rates for Fiscal Year 2027, a 1.5% increase to graduate tuition rates, and a 2.1% increase to campus fees. In aggregate, this will represent a \$142.50 increase per semester for full-time undergraduates (3.3%), and an \$85.50 increase per semester for full-time graduate students (1.8%).

Tuition and fee rates are currently below nine of ten peer institutions, and below two-thirds of athletic conference institutions. This proposal supports the University’s investment in targeted student initiatives and addresses key cost increases while maintaining a student cost below most other similar institutions.

Legislative funding reductions will place significant pressure on the University’s FY 2027 budget, which will require reductions and spending prioritization to maintain a balanced budget.

This proposal will continue to maintain significant value for students and families by keeping tuition rate changes below general inflation, while allowing important investments in key strategic goals, student success and experience initiatives, and student financial aid. This is possible due to consistent focus on budget prioritization and driving efficiency into university operations.

A. FY 2027 PROPOSED TUITION RATES (all students)

Cost Per Semester	Approved FY 2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY 2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Resident Undergraduate and Gorilla Advantage	\$3,249	\$3,363	\$114	3.5%
Resident Graduate and Gorilla Advantage	\$3,706	\$3,763	\$57	1.5%
Non-Resident Undergraduate	\$8,921	\$9,035	\$114	1.3%
Non-Resident Graduate	\$9,122	\$9,179	\$57	0.6%
Cost Per Credit Hour	Approved FY2026 Tuition Rate	Proposed FY2027 Tuition Rate	Dollar Change	Percent Change
DNP Program	\$472 per credit hour	\$479 per credit hour	\$7	1.5%
Online Professional MBA Program*	\$399 per credit hour	\$399 per credit hour	\$0	0%
College of Education Graduate Programs	\$309 per credit hour	\$309 per credit hour	\$0	0%

**Rate includes all fees*

Note: Refer to Appendix A for proposed tuition and required fees for all full-time students and for the various campuses (including online), as applicable.

B. FY 2027 PROPOSED COURSE FEE RATES FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS, include a five-year historical trend for all course fees or program-specific tuition rates.

Program-Specific Tuition or Fee (Per Credit Hour)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One-Year Dollar Change
College of Technology Safety and Support Fee	\$22 \$220 cap/semester	\$24 \$240 cap/semester	\$30 \$300 cap/semester	\$30 \$350 cap/semester	\$30 \$350 cap/semester	\$0 \$0
College of Business Fee	-	-	-	\$10 * \$150 cap/semester	\$20* \$300 cap/semester	\$10* \$150

**Note: KBOR approved the \$20 per hour/\$300 cap in June 2025 with the fee to be phased in over two years.*

KBOR approved the College of Business Fee in June 2025 at \$20 per credit hour, capped at \$300 per semester. The fee was approved to be phased in over two years. Pitt State implemented the first half of the fee in FY 2026 and will implement the second half in FY 2027. The fee supports the cost of delivery of business programs and operation of the new building in FY 2027.

The College of Technology assesses a Safety and Support Fee to help cover some of the costs associated with programs in the college. This includes the impact of smaller class sizes resulting from the hands-on learning environment, the maintenance of large facilities and labs, the equipment and technology used in these programs, and higher than average faculty costs. College of Technology graduates receive value through a very strong job market and high starting salaries. Placement rates are essentially 100% in many technology programs with over 70% reporting starting salaries at \$60,000 or higher. While not completely comparable, engineering programs in Kansas public institutions assess fees of \$94-\$106 per credit hour, over four times the fee for PSU’s College of Technology.

Given both the cost considerations and the value provided to students, Pitt State has established a long-term target of \$500 to \$700 per semester for the College of Technology fee. Pitt State intends to hold the fee at the current level in FY 2027 but will evaluate potential increases toward the long-term target in future years.

The program fees for technology and business do not fully cover the additional cost of these programs. These fees represent a small 7%-8% premium for Technology and Business students compared to the standard tuition and fee cost. This represents a great value for students, given the benefits received by graduates. By covering a portion of the cost of delivery of these programs, this benefits all students across the university by ensuring the base tuition rate is as low as possible for lower cost programs like Education and Arts & Sciences, as well as most general education courses.

Student Access and Success Fee:

The Student Access and Success Fee exists to partially fund key support services and tools for students. This includes systems, technology, resources, infrastructure, and key support services provided to students to enable access and achievement.

The current fee is \$170 per semester. The University proposes a \$10 increase to \$180 per semester. This modest increase will allow continued investment in support services for students and will partially assist in navigating the impact of the loss of state funding for Student Success initiatives. This fee was not changed last year.

C. PROPOSED CHANGES TO TUITION STRUCTURE

Pittsburg State's Gorilla Advantage tuition program currently offers rates equivalent to in-state rates to students from 31 states beyond Kansas. This program has been the most successful tuition program in Pittsburg State's history and is responsible for significant growth in enrollment over several decades. The University requests that Pennsylvania and New York be added to the Gorilla Advantage program. The University is beginning exploration of recruiting opportunities in these two states through connections with alumni and by developing relationships with businesses in industries with ties to unique University programs, particularly in the Crossland College of Technology. Gorilla Advantage rates will greatly enhance the potential for successful recruiting efforts. As the University currently has no students paying out-of-state rates from these two states, there is no financial risk to the addition of these states to Gorilla Advantage. Should recruiting efforts be successful in adding even a modest number of students, it will be beneficial to the university and will bring benefits to the State by attracting additional students to high demand programs.

D. OTHER TUITION, WAIVER OR FEE PROPOSALS

None.

E. DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT AND OTHER CAMPUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

The FY 2027 recommendations are coordinated through the work of the University Tuition Committee. The University Tuition Committee reviews and advises the President on tuition changes that should be considered within the University's overall budget. This Committee is appointed annually by the President and includes students, alumni, faculty, and staff. Students are represented by the elected Student Government Association President and Vice President.

The Committee makes its recommendation after receiving input from across campus through the many broad constituency groups represented on the committee. The committee also considers the following factors:

- Historical tuition rates
- Enrollment trends and drivers

- Tuition rates for peer and other comparison institutions
- University initiatives and estimated costs
- Expense trends and changes

With these considerations, the committee recommended an increase of 3.0% to 3.5% this year for undergraduate tuition and 0.5% to 1.0% for graduate tuition.

The President reviews the committee's recommendation and the wide range of factors evaluated by the committee, then determines the final proposal to be submitted to the Kansas Board of Regents for their approval. After considering all relevant information, the President submits the request outlined in this proposal.

The University's process for recommendation of Campus Fees, including extensive student involvement, is described in Section H.

F. PROJECTED TUITION AND FEE REVENUES AND PLANNED USES OF ANY INCREASED REVENUES

*Note: See **Appendix F-1** for the university's planned uses of the additional tuition revenues. **Appendix F-2** gives the status of the university's General Fees Fund (where tuition is deposited). **Appendix F-3** compares the FY 2025 revenue changes by major category to historical figures.*

The requested tuition increase will generate approximately \$845,000 in additional tuition revenues. These funds will assist in funding a range of key priorities including student scholarships, salary increases, student success initiatives, and will assist in partially offsetting the material reductions in state funding.

G. MEASURES TAKEN TO KEEP PROPOSALS AS MODEST AS POSSIBLE

The University has been proactive in managing expenses to align with revenue. This includes the net reduction of well over 100 positions over the past decade. The University has made approximately \$12 million in budget reductions in recent years in order to re-allocate resources to key needs and align with available revenues. Additional reductions will be required this year to offset reduced state funding.

The University will continue to maintain an ongoing focus on cost efficiency initiatives in order to reallocate resources to the highest priority projects. These priorities include student success initiatives, scholarships, employee compensation, IT security and infrastructure, and improved student experiences. The FY 2027 budget is under development, and the current projection will require an additional \$3.7 million in budget reallocations to allow funding of key priorities.

H. INCREASES TO REQUIRED STUDENT FEES PROPOSED BY STUDENTS (fees proposed by students for restricted use expenditures)

**PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT TO REQUIRED CAMPUS FEES
Pittsburg State University**

	Approved FY 2026 Required <u>Campus Fee</u>	Proposed FY 2027 Required <u>Campus Fee</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
<u>Campus Fee Schedule Per Semester</u>				
<i>Student Center Operations</i>	\$ 100.00	\$ 101.00	1.00	
<i>Student Center Program</i>	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	5.00	
<i>Student Center Maintenance</i>	\$ 12.50	\$ 14.00	1.50	
Student Center	\$147.50	\$155.00	\$ 7.50	
<i>Facility Expansion</i>	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00		
<i>Overman Renovation</i>	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.00	--	
<i>Student Facilities</i>	\$ 54.00	\$ 54.00		
Facilities	\$225.00	\$225.00		
Intercollegiate Athletics	\$194.00	\$196.00	2.00	
Health and Wellness	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00		
Student Recreation	\$ 85.00	\$ 92.00	7.00	
Public Safety and Parking	\$ 59.50	\$ 61.00	1.50	
Student Activities	\$ 96.50	\$ 97.00	.50	
One Card	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	--	
Educational Opportunity	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00		
TOTAL:	\$880.50	\$899.00	\$18.50	2.1%

The Student Government Association and the University are proposing a 2.1% increase (\$18.50 per semester) to Campus Fees for FY 2027. This increase is targeted to fund inflation driven cost increases and program enhancements in student priority areas outlined below.

Student Center Operations: \$1 increase - This increase will help with the increased expense of water, gas, and electric utility costs.

Student Center Programming: \$5 increase - This increase will help fund the remaining portion of salary expenses for staff dedicated to expanding programming for students. It will also support programming and student employment costs.

Student Center Maintenance: \$1.50 increase - This increase will assist with expected expenses of a new roof and chiller repairs.

Athletics: \$2 increase - This funding will help enhance initiatives to increase general student population involvement and attendance at university athletic events.

Student Recreation: \$7 increase - This increase will support Club Sports resulting in less self-funding from participating students, will help start a trap and skeet shooting club, and will help staffing for the new climbing wall at the Student Recreation Center.

Public Safety and Parking: \$1.50 increase - This increase will contribute to increased maintenance for university parking lots.

Students lead the process of identifying and evaluating changes to campus fees. Some fees have an advisory board with representation from students, faculty, and staff to advise the Student Government Association. SGA prioritizes potential changes and considers the impact to students in making recommendations. The Student Government Association reviews all potential changes and approves final recommendations to advise the President.

I. TOTAL FISCAL EFFECT ON SELECTED MAJORS, RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

College of Arts & Sciences, College of Education	
Tuition (30 hours)	\$6,726
Required Fees all students	2,158
Required Fees-program specific	0
Total	\$8,884

Crossland College of Technology	
Tuition (30 hours)	\$6,726
Required Fees all students	2,158
Required Fees-program specific	700
Total	\$9,584

Kelce College of Business	
Tuition (30 hours)	\$6,726
Required Fees all students	2,158
Required Fees-program specific	600
Total	\$9,484

Appendix A

PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
Proposed FY 2027 Tuition and Required Fees (All Students)
Full Time, Per Semester

	Approved FY 2025	Approved FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	One Year \$ Increase	One Year % Increase
Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$3,171.00	\$3,249.00	\$3,363.00	\$114.00	3.5%
Campus Privilege Fee	859.00	880.50	899.00	18.50	2.1%
Student Access & Success Fee	170.00	170.00	180.00	10.00	5.9%
Total	\$4,200.00	\$4,299.50	\$4,442.00	\$142.50	3.3%
Non-Resident Undergraduate (15 hours)					
Tuition	\$8,843.00	\$8,921.00	\$9,035.00	\$114.00	1.3%
Campus Privilege Fee	859.00	880.50	899.00	18.50	2.1%
Student Access & Success Fee	170.00	170.00	180.00	10.00	5.9%
Total	\$9,872.00	\$9,971.50	\$10,114.00	\$142.50	1.4%
Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$3,706.00	\$3,706.00	\$3,763.00	\$57.00	1.5%
Campus Privilege Fee	859.00	880.50	899.00	18.50	2.1%
Student Access & Success Fee	170.00	170.00	180.00	10.00	5.9%
Total	\$4,735.00	\$4,756.50	\$4,842.00	\$85.50	1.8%
Non-Resident Graduate (12 hours)					
Tuition	\$9,122.00	\$9,122.00	\$9,179.00	\$57.00	0.6%
Campus Privilege Fee	859.00	880.50	899.00	18.50	2.1%
Student Access & Success Fee	170.00	170.00	180.00	10.00	5.9%
Total	\$10,151.00	\$10,172.50	\$10,258.00	\$85.50	0.8%

Appendix F-1

PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
FY 2027 Planned Sources and Uses of Revenues

General Use Funds	
Sources	
SGF - Legislative SGF Operating Reduction	(\$1,800,000)
SGF- Reduction of State Student Success Support	(\$611,000)
SGF - State Funded Employee Merit Pool (estimated)	\$340,000
Estimated Revenue from Tuition Rate Increase	\$845,000
Total General Use Sources	(\$1,226,000)
Planned Uses	
Student Financial Aid-Great Gorilla Scholarship	\$1,100,000
Employee Salary Increases	\$526,000
Promotions in Academic Rank & Tenure and Merit	\$108,500
Fringe Benefit Changes (Health insurance, KPERS, etc.)	\$515,000
IT Security Investments	\$100,000
Facility Operating Costs (Utilities, Operations/Maintenance)	\$120,000
FY 2027 Budget Reductions and Reallocations	(\$3,695,500)
Total General Use Planned Uses	(\$1,226,000)
Net Margin	\$0

Restricted Fee Funds	
Sources	
College of Business Fee	\$170,000
Total Restricted Fee Sources	\$170,000
Planned Uses	
Business Course Deliver, Student Services, and Building Operations	\$170,000
Total Restricted Use Planned Uses	\$170,000
Net Margin	\$0

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**PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
General Fees Fund Summary**

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Projected FY 2027
Balance Forward	\$21,559,720	\$22,303,065	\$24,692,219	\$25,418,530	\$24,418,530
Revenue	29,583,648	30,586,532	31,192,609	31,500,000	32,345,000
Total Available	\$51,143,368	\$52,889,597	\$55,884,828	\$56,918,530	\$56,763,530
Expenditures	28,840,303	28,197,378	30,466,298	32,500,000	32,345,000
Balance Forward	\$22,303,065	\$24,692,219	\$25,418,530	\$24,418,530	\$24,418,530
Balance Forward as a Percentage of Revenue	75.4%	80.7%	81.5%	77.5%	75.5%
Total Commitments (refer to detail below)					\$2,000,000

Detailed Description of Commitments for FY 2027:

Estimated Encumbrances

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PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
Projected and Actual Tuition Revenue Increases

Tuition Revenue Increase	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027 ⁴
Actual General Fees Fund Change ¹	(\$1,107,304)	\$1,002,884	\$606,077	\$307,391	\$845,000
Projected Tuition Proposal Change ²	--	1,400,000	960,000	580,000	845,000
Difference - Other Revenue Changes ³	(\$1,107,304)	(\$397,116)	(\$353,923)	(\$272,609)	\$0
Other Changes as Percent of Current Year Revenue	-3.7%	-1.3%	-1.1%	-0.9%	0.0%
Total Student Credit Hours	151,868	151,794	150,184	151,000	n/a
Total Student Head Count (Fall Semester)	5,858	5,732	5,774	5,803	n/a

¹ Source: General Fees Fund -- actual net revenues relative to previous fiscal year from DA 404: Charges for Education and Libraries.

² Source: University Tuition Proposal -- projected increase from tuition price increase.

³ Other General Fees Fund increases attributed to changes in enrollment, mix of students, on-campus vs. off-campus.

⁴ Estimated FY 2027 Collections.