



DIRECTIVE 2020-033

May 29, 2020

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY TO CONTINUE TO WAIVE STANDARD TUITION RATES FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED A TUITION VOUCHER UNDER THE GIVE BACK GO FORWARD PROGRAM.

§375.30.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th General Assembly required any waiver of tuition for a student or class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education be approved by the Chancellor of Higher Education (the “Chancellor”). On April 17, 2009, the Chancellor signed Directive 2009-011 establishing procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates. §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly continues this authority of the Chancellor for the biennium.

Pursuant to §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 as well as Directive 2009-011, Shawnee State University (“SSU”) has requested that for academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 the standard tuition rates continue to be waived for students who apply to and are accepted in the GIVE back. GO forward program. Under this program students will GIVE back by volunteering 100+ hours per academic year with local senior citizens and earn a college tuition voucher. The tuition voucher earned is for a 3-credit hour summer course.

SSU has demonstrated the following:

- SSU’s Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing the continuation of the tuition waiver at its meeting on June 14, 2019. A copy of the resolution is attached.
- SSU has submitted a specific request to waive the instructional and general fees for one 3-credit hour course for students that are utilizing the earned tuition voucher.
- SSU proposes that the duration of the waiver be for academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, including summer term courses beginning prior to June 30, 2021.
- It is estimated that the proposed waiver will affect approximately 15 students each summer term.
- The goals of this waiver are to provide service learning opportunities for students majoring in health professions and to provide services to the local senior community. See attached report on prior tuition waiver results.
- SSU will assess the outcome of this waiver by monitoring the participation in the program as well as the number of hours volunteered per year as well as the types of activities.

Agency staff reviewed the request and posted its recommendations to the ODHE website for the purpose of providing a public comment period before final approval by the Chancellor. No public comments were received.

Based upon my review of staff recommendations, I hereby approve the continuation of the tuition waiver request from Shawnee State University be granted for academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 as set forth above.

This directive will take immediate effect.

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Randy Gardner
Chancellor

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June 27, 2019

Mr. Randy Gardner, Chancellor
Ohio Department of Higher Education
25 South Front Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST TO CONTINUE WAIVER OF THE STANDARD UNDERGRADUATE IN-STATE TUITION RATE FOR THE GIVE BACK GO FORWARD PROGRAM

Dear Chancellor Gardner:

Pursuant to the authority in §369.180 of Am. Sub. H.B. 64 as well as Directive 2009-011, Shawnee State University ("University") is requesting the continuation of a fee waiver for students accepted in the Give Back Go Forward Program.

The Give Back Go Forward Program is designed to offer students, who "give back" at least 100 hours of their time to local senior citizens, a three-credit-hour tuition waiver toward undergraduate courses utilized the following summer term. A one-time extension of the waiver to the following summer will be honored in some instances.

In support of the University's request for extension, the following information is provided:

- At its June 14, 2019 meeting, Shawnee State University's Board of Trustees approved Resolution F11-19 (copy attached) authorizing extension of the waiver of the standard undergraduate tuition rate for the AY20-AY21 biennium.
- The duration of the tuition waiver extension would begin in the summer 2020 term (eligibility in fall term 2019) and continue through summer 2021 (eligibility in fall term 2020).
- It is estimated that the proposed waiver will affect 15 students each year (45 hour waivers per year, see attached rates). AY18-19 results were: 4 students from Health Care Administration, 3 from Occupational Therapy Assistant, 2 from Bachelor's in Occupational Therapy 3+2.



We appreciate your consideration of our request. If additional information or documentation to support our request is needed, either Becky Thiel, Interim Provost at (bthiel@shawnee.edu) or myself at (eboyles@shawnee.edu) will be able to assist.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Elinda C. Boyles'.

Elinda C. Boyles, Ph.D.
Vice President for Finance & Administration
Shawnee State University

Att. Resolution F11-19
Summary of 2018-19 GBGF activities
AY19-20 Tuition rate schedules

RESOLUTION F11-19
APPROVAL TO EXTEND TUITION WAIVER:
GIVE BACK GO FORWARD PROGRAM

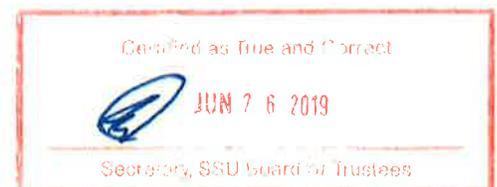
WHEREAS, the Give Back Go Forward program was launched fall 2017 providing students in designated undergraduate programs the opportunity to earn a waiver of tuition for three summer-term credit hours; and

WHEREAS, from the Program's inception through spring 2019, those students from four degree programs (Health Administration, Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, and Occupational Therapy BSOT) that completed the program, including 100 volunteer hours supporting local-area senior citizens, were awarded the tuition waiver for the applicable summer term; and

WHEREAS, based upon the benefits to the students and the local community, it is desirable to continue the Give Back Go Forward program and to include the tuition waiver;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee State University Board of Trustees approves continuing the Give Back Go Forward program and the extension of the tuition waiver as presented, pending approval by the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education for the AY20-AY21 biennium.

(June 14, 2019)





May 14, 2019

Summary of 2018-19 GBGF activities

The Give Back, Go Forward allows college students the opportunity to “give back” to their communities by volunteering at least 100 hours per academic year. In exchange the student earns a tuition voucher for three credit hours, to be used in summer semester, from their participating university or community college. At Shawnee State University, student volunteers from four degree programs (Health Administration, Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, and Occupational Therapy BSOT 3+2) participate in Give Back, Go Forward to improve their skill sets in interacting with older adults, and earn tuition credits. Launched in fall semester 2017, Shawnee State University’s GBGF 2.0 program, entitled “GIVE” (Generations Influencing Volunteerism and Education), had a successful first year, as reported in the AY 17-18 summary.

SSU’s GBGF 2.0 project is designed to connect undergraduate student volunteers with older adults in locations near the college campus. During 2018-19 program, GBGF 2.0 partnered again with two PMHA senior apartment buildings (Hudson House and Alexandria House), and also added two more senior apartments, Park and Hurth Apartments, in January 2019. Students worked with older adults through individual time as well as offering other community resources, including intergenerational dining on the campus and offering evidenced-based wellness programs. The overall aim of the interactions and programming for community-dwelling older adults is to have improved health outcomes and improved ability to remain living independently in their homes.

The following summary provides information about the Give Back Go Forward program at SSU from August 2018 through May 3, 2019.

In August 2018, Dr. Boehle and Dr. Raber completed planning meetings with Dr. Bauer to confirm approval for GBGF program to continue in AY 18-19 at SSU. Ms. Selby retired, and Dr. Crystal Sherman was appointed representative from nursing program for GBGF. Approval was obtained for graduate assistant (GA), Allison King, to continue with the program, and she worked for the program from August 20, 2018, through May 3, 2019.

In August 2018, the GBGF application was updated, and distributed first week of the semester to students in BSOT 3+2, Health Administration, Nursing, and OTA programs. Application deadline was September 7, 2018. 10 students applied, 10 students were accepted, and 9 completed GBGF orientation on September 14, 2018. Nine student GBGF volunteers participated through end of fall semester 2018. Seven students completed 100 volunteer hours by April 26, 2019, and all seven were awarded three credit hour tuition voucher which was applied to summer 2019 term. Two students who did not complete their hours reported

class/work conflicts that caused them to be unable to fulfill the volunteer commitment. Accepted student volunteers from each program were as follows: Health Administration: 4; OTA: 3, BSOT 3+2: 2. No nursing students applied this year, although at least three students expressed interest in the program. Dr. Sherman is promoting the program to nursing students, and it is hoped nursing students will apply in AY 2019-2020.

Volunteer orientation, conducted on September 14, 2018 by Vicky Abdella, AAA7, and Allison King, GBGF 2.0 GA, covered safety topics, role of volunteers and boundaries of their work with tenants, and aging sensitivity activities. Allison King also conducted an on-site orientation on September 28, 2018, with GBGF volunteers and Wanda Blair, tenant coordinator at PMHA sites. Volunteers then began working with tenants at two PMHA sites (Hudson House and Alexandria House) in Portsmouth, Ohio. Two more sites, Park and Hurth Apartments, were added in January 2019. Allison King provided on-site orientation for GBGF 2.0 volunteers for the two new sites. All sites have signed volunteer affiliation agreements on file.

SSU faculty coordinators (Dr. Boehle, Dr. Raber, Dr. Sherman), along with Nina Keller and Rita Pauley (AAA7), Jim Risacher (Sodexo), and Katy Wills (ODA) worked together to establish a senior dining site on SSU's campus. This program launched in November 2018. Processes and procedures were established, and campus dining, offered 11am-1pm on Saturdays and Sundays, began in November 2018. As of May 2019, 14 older adults from the four sites completed paperwork to participate in the meal program, and approximately 10 meals were provided from January through April 2019. GBGF 2.0 volunteers accompanied all older adults to meals, ate with them, and walked back to their respective apartment buildings. GBGF volunteers encouraged healthy choices during dining, and socialization during meals was a positive outcome for both older adults and student volunteers. While the numbers for dining program are currently small, the response from older adults and volunteers was very positive. We plan to work with AAA7 and new dining services vendor to continue this component of the program in AY 19-20.

Through small group and individually scheduled events (listed below), volunteers built relationships with tenants in order to meet their needs and identify tenants interested in individual visiting. Student volunteers self-scheduled times to volunteer at selected site, with GA providing options and support. All volunteer sessions took place during times in which tenant/service coordinator(s) available so volunteers could access the building. All four sites are locked and volunteers need to be let in the building by either tenant or coordinator.

Examples of GBGF Activities conducted:

- Building orientations- tenant/student meet and greets
- Individual and small group activities: puzzles, coloring sheets, Boggle, and crossword puzzles

- Participating in tenant council meetings
- Providing information sessions about campus dining program
- Attending building events (Nourish program, holiday events, etc)

TOTAL STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOURS

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS (all sites)	TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS by 7 students completing program	TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS by 2 students not completing program	TOTAL GRADUATE ASSISTANT HOURS`	TOTAL FACULTY COORDINATOR HOURS (approximate; three faculty members)
748.07	717	31	117.25	90
*Majority of volunteer hours were spent at Hudson House, followed by Park Apartments, Alexandria House, and Hurth Apartments				
*Majority of time spent was individually with tenants in common areas of apartment building, followed by small group activities of tenant choice				

The graduate assistant, Allison King, continued to support the delivery of the GBGF program this year, with Dr. Raber serving as her direct supervisor. Duties of the GA position are focused on assisting the program faculty in administrative tasks related to the program, including but not limited to:

- Assist in supervision of GBGF undergraduate students that supports their completion of volunteer hours at assigned sites
- Collect timesheets from student volunteers for verification
- Serve as point of contact for communication about any needs or concerns related to the volunteer service
- Perform administrative tasks needed to support the program (distributing, collecting and organizing relevant data and paperwork, filing and organizing data, etc)
- Communicate regularly with program faculty and site contacts
- Support volunteers in provision of activities as needed

MOT program provided office space and office supplies to support the graduate student employee’s work. Aside from graduate student employee compensation, and tuition credits for volunteers, no budget has been established. We are tracking expenses (copying, office supplies, etc) and identifying needs and costs.

Year two has been successful, with majority of volunteers accepted into the program, completing the required 100 service hours with older adults in the community. To help track impact of volunteering on attitudes about aging, volunteers completed an ‘Attitudes about Aging’ pretest before beginning volunteering, and at the end of the program. Dr. Boehle is working with this data to understand how the experience may impact attitudes about aging



among the volunteer. Volunteers were also asked to complete a short survey about their experiences and suggestions for improvements/changes to the program for future students. Students suggested having more resources available for visiting, such as games, cards, and puzzles. Students also reported appreciating ability to self-schedule their hours in order to fit their schedule more effectively. GA, coordinators, and several volunteers felt a monthly face-to-face meeting would be beneficial for communication and planning. We plan to implement this in next year's program, which will provide greater opportunities for inter-professional interactions and communication.

Finally, Allison King developed, with support from Katy Wills from ODA and Dr. Raber, the SSU GBGF 2.0 toolkit for other universities to use to develop their own GBGF program using students to volunteer in the community. This handbook was completed in March 2019, and includes resources for both program administration and GA responsibilities. Dr. Sarah Boehle presented SSU's GBGF 2.0 program, including the toolbox resource, at two professional conferences for gerontology professionals this spring, with Dr. Raber and Allison King as co-authors. Both presentations were well attended, and much interest in the program and toolkit was expressed to Dr. Boehle. We will continue to network with other universities interested in GBGF 2.0 model, in which undergraduate students provide volunteer hours with older adults in their communities. Our partnering with ODA and AAA7 to plan delivery of evidence based programs, such as Eat Smart, Live Strong, and Matter of Balance at each site, will also continue.

In conclusion, year two of SSU's GBGF 2.0 has been a success, with students and older adults benefitting from the program. Procedures and partnerships for the program are now well established, and we look forward to continuing the program in AY 19-20, with a maximum of 9 volunteers, and a new GA, as Allison King is graduating in December 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Christine Raber
Dr. Sarah Boehle
Dr. Crystal Sherman
cc: Dr. Becky Thiel



2019-20 Academic Year
Continuing and Returning Undergraduate Tuition Schedule
effective fall semester 2019

Full-Time <i>(12 - 18 credit hours)</i>	AY 2018-19 <i>(per semester)</i>	AY 2019-20 <i>(per semester)</i>
<i>In-State Tuition</i>		
Instructional Fee	\$3,125.40	\$3,187.92
General Fee	\$344.40	\$351.24
Technology Fee	\$62.28	\$63.48
Total In-State Tuition	\$3,532.08	\$3,602.64
<i>Out-of-State Surcharge</i> <small>(does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program)</small>		
	\$2,904.12	\$2,962.20
<i>University Center Bond Fee</i>	\$150.00	\$150.00
Part-Time <i>(up to and including 11 and over 18 credit hours)</i>	AY 2018-19 <i>(per credit hour)</i>	AY 2019-20 <i>(per credit hour)</i>
<i>In-State Tuition</i>		
Instructional Fee	\$260.45	\$265.66
General Fee	\$28.70	\$29.27
Technology Fee	\$5.19	\$5.29
Total In-State Tuition	\$294.34	\$300.22
<i>Out-of-State Surcharge</i> <small>(does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program)</small>		
	\$242.01	\$246.85
<i>University Center Bond Fee</i>	\$12.50	\$12.50
Alternative Tuition for Special Programs	AY 2018-19 <i>(per credit hour)</i>	AY 2019-20 <i>(per credit hour)</i>
<i>Bridge to Success Program</i>	\$50.00	\$50.00
<i>College Credit Plus^b</i>		
<i>Summer College Credit Plus equivalent programs</i>		

^bCollege Credit Plus "Option G" students pay standard undergraduate tuition rates.



**2019-20 Academic Year
Shawnee Advantage**
effective fall 2019 through spring 2023

Full-Time (12 - 18 credit hours) **AY 2019-20**
(per semester)

In-State Tuition

Total In-State Tuition **\$4,132.35**

Out-of-State Surcharge (does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program) per AY 19-20 schedule

Part-Time (up to and including 11 and over 18 credit hours) **AY 2019-20**
(per credit hour)

In-State Tuition

Total In-State Tuition (up to and including 11 credit hours) **\$344.36**

Total In-State Tuition (over 18 credit hours) **\$331.86**

Out-of-State Surcharge (does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program) per AY 19-20 schedule

NOTE: Course and Special Program fees will be charged for designated courses/programs.



Shawnee Advantage
effective fall 2018 through spring 2022

Full-Time (12 - 18 credit hours) **AY 2018-19**
(per semester)

In-State Tuition

Total In-State Tuition **\$4,177.68**

Out-of-State Surcharge (does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program) **\$3,078.36**

Part-Time (up to and including 11 and over 18 credit hours) **AY 2018-19**
(per credit hour)

In-State Tuition

Total In-State Tuition (up to and including 11 credit hours) **\$348.14**

Total In-State Tuition (over 18 credit hours) **\$335.64**

Out-of-State Surcharge (does not apply to students from counties included in reciprocal agreements; Kentucky residents may be eligible for the Kentucky Scholars Program) **\$256.53**

NOTE: Special Program fees, pass-through, and other direct-charge fees are not included. These fees can be found at <http://www.shawnee.edu/offices/student-accounts/>