

DIRECTIVE 2020

September 2020

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY MIAMI UNIVERSITY TO REDUCE THE NON-RESIDENT GRADUATE SURCHARGE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN SPECIFIC MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS WHO HAVE COMPLETED A BACHELOR'S OR MASTER'S DEGREE IN OHIO FROM AN OHIO INSTITUTION FOR THE 2020-2021 ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR.

§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 this biennium.

Pursuant to the continued authority in §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 and Directive 2009-011, Miami University ("MU") requests to reduce the non-resident graduate surcharge for graduate students who are in the specific programs listed below and have completed a bachelor's or master's degree in Ohio from an Ohio institution. This request applies to academic year 2020-2021, starting fall 2020 and including summer session 2021.

MU has demonstrated the following:

- MU's Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing the tuition waiver at its meeting on June 19, 2020. A copy of the resolution is attached.
- MU has submitted a specific request to reduce the domestic non-resident surcharge to \$1.00 per credit hour for graduate students in MU's growing list of graduate programs that are market driven and attractive to non-resident students. This applies only to graduate students who earned a degree in Ohio and who are living in Ohio while in the graduate program.

Program	Non-Resident Surcharge (per credit hour)	Waiver amount per credit hour	Surcharge After Reduction (per credit hour)
Master in Business Management	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Master in Science - Business Analytics	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Low Residency Master of Fine Arts	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Ohio Writing Project Master of Arts in Teaching	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Project Dragonfly Advanced Inquiry Program	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Project Dragonfly Global Field Program	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Experience Design Master of Fine Arts	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Craft summer Program	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Interdisciplinary Certificate in Aging & Entrepreneurship	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Master of Arts in Social Work	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Special Education Online Hybrid (SEOH)	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00

Master of Educational Psychology	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Graduate Certificate in Analytics	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00
Master of Science in Criminal Justice	\$753.81	\$752.81	\$1.00

- The specific per credit hour amount being waived may change depending on MU’s tuition rates, but in any event, \$1.00 per credit hour for the state surcharge to non-residents is applicable.
- MU proposes that the duration of the reduction be fall 2020, spring 2021 and summer session 2021 (which begins prior to June 30, 2021). A new request will be submitted starting fall 2021 of FY22.
- It is estimated that the proposed reduction will affect 91 students in this first year and as new programs are added and enrollment increases, the impacted students will grow per year.
- MU is seeking this reduction in order to recruit and retain talented non-resident students to Ohio in an attempt to meet state economic development and educational attainment goals, as well as increase enrollment in the MU graduate degree programs.
- MU will measure the attainment of this goal by monitoring enrollments and net revenue implications over the time period to assess the effectiveness of the program in general. MU will also assess the effectiveness of initiatives designed to recruit students by leveraging the tuition reduction.
- Based on our anticipated success against our goals, MU intends to renew the request in future years.

RECOMMENDATION

Agency staff advises that the request meets the Chancellor’s standards and recommends the tuition waiver request from Miami University which allows MU for academic year 2020-2021 to reduce non-resident surcharge for graduate students in specific master’s degree programs who have earned a bachelor’s or master’s degree in Ohio from an Ohio institution as detailed above.

June 19, 2020
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TUITION ORDINANCE 2020-05
Instructional, General, and Out of State Fees, and Comprehensive Charges
Graduate Students at all Campuses
2020-2021 Academic Year

WHEREAS, Miami University is committed to providing a quality and affordable education and services to its graduate students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Miami University annually adopts tuition (instructional and general fees) and an out-of-state surcharge for graduate students on all campuses; and

WHEREAS, the University has identified new graduate program offerings that have unique costs and market conditions; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to meet state economic development and educational attainment goals, retain talent in the state of Ohio, and to increase graduate enrollment, tuition in programs with specific graduate comprehensive tuition rates will include a waiver of the out of state surcharge of \$752.81 per credit hour to non-resident students; and

WHEREAS, a request will be made to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education to approval of the waiver of the non-resident surcharge for non-resident students enrolled in graduate programs with comprehensive tuition rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED: that the Board of Trustees adopts standard graduate tuition for Ohio residents (must meet Miami University's residency regulations) and combined tuition and out-of-state surcharge for nonresident graduate students at all campuses as presented on the attached table; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: that the Board of Trustees approves a program specific comprehensive tuition for the graduate certificates and degrees that have unique costs and market conditions presented on the attached table; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: that the Senior Vice President for Finance and Business Services and Treasurer is hereby authorized to establish hourly rates consistent with this Ordinance including fees for part-time students and fees for summer and winter terms.

*Approved by the Board of Trustees
June 19, 2020*



T. O. Pickerill II
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

**Miami University
Graduate Tuition
Fall 2020**

Academic Year Full-Time (12 or more credit hours per semester)						
	<u>Ohio Resident</u>			<u>Nonresident</u>		
			<u>%</u>			<u>%</u>
	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>
Tuition	\$7,184.88	\$7,328.52	2.0%	\$16,053.24	\$16,374.24	2.0%

Academic Year Part-Time (Per credit hour up to 11 credit hours)						
	<u>Ohio Resident</u>			<u>Nonresident</u>		
			<u>%</u>			<u>%</u>
	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>
Tuition	\$598.74	\$610.71	2.0%	\$1,337.77	\$1,364.52	2.0%

Summer and Winter Term - Part-Time (Per credit hour)						
	<u>Ohio Resident</u>			<u>Nonresident</u>		
			<u>%</u>			<u>%</u>
	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>Change</u>
Tuition	\$546.93	\$557.87	2.0%	\$1,285.96	\$1,311.68	2.0%

Program Specific Graduate Comprehensive Tuition (Per Credit Hour)				
Tuition for Non-Resident includes a 100% Waiver of Nonresident Surcharge				
	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>
New Programs:				
Masters in Business Management	--	--	--	\$995.00
Master in Science - Business Analytics	--	--	--	\$995.00
Continuing Programs:				
Interdisciplinary Certificate in Aging & Entrepreneurship	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Experience Design Master of Fine Arts	\$964.00	\$964.00	\$964.00	\$964.00
Special Education Online Hybrid (SEOH)	\$835.00	\$835.00	\$625.00	\$625.00
Craftsummer	\$285.00	\$285.00	\$285.00	\$285.00
Ohio Writing Project Master of Arts in Teaching	\$280.00	\$280.00	\$280.00	\$280.00
Project Dragonfly Advanced Inquiry Program	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00
Project Dragonfly Global Field Program	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Master of Science in Criminal Justice	\$525.00	\$525.00	\$525.00	\$525.00
Graduate Certificate in Analytics	\$964.00	\$964.00	\$964.00	\$964.00
Low Residency Master of Fine Arts	\$759.00	\$759.00	\$759.00	\$759.00
Master of Arts in Social Work	--	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00
Master of Educational Psychology	--	--	\$650.00	\$650.00