2015-16 Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition Proposal
Short Form

Due August 29, 2014 for January 2015 Regents’ Approval

This form should be completed for programs already charging Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition that wish to increase the PDST from the 2014-15 level up to but not greater than the increase proposed in 2012-13 for 2013-14. This increase was never taken to the Regents for approval, but the work necessary to justify it was done. It is anticipated that much of that work is still relevant. If so, campuses may rely on it. Otherwise, new work should be done in order to be up-to-date. Moreover, some effort ought to be made to consult with program students and student leadership, given the likely turnover in that constituency that has occurred since the proposals were submitted. Program faculty may be consulted again if deemed appropriate.

* Mandatory systemwide charges include Tuition and Student Services Fee.
** Include disability insurance fee for medicine and dentistry.
*** Include Course Materials and Services Fees but not health kits.
**** Mandatory summer quarter only for the students in the Nurse Practitioner track of the MS Nursing and Health Care Leadership program at a cost of $3,987 per student. Summer quarter has also has additional student health insurance charge for the 20% of students who do not have health insurance from another provider. Total fees for the summer quarter, including health insurance are $4,975.

2013-14 proposed fee levels are provided in the attached fee table.

Additional Comments:

Proposed 2012-13 professional fees are based on discussions between UC schools of nursing to establish and maintain comparable fee structures between nursing programs across UC campuses. After significant deliberation, the Deans of the UC Schools of Nursing concluded that an increase of PDST fees of 20% is necessary to sustain academic quality and prepare nurses for the complex health environment in which they will lead. This is a dollar increase of just $1,672 for the full year, because we now have a relatively low PDST. It is less than the 35% increase previously requested and approved in the submission for 2012/13 through 2014/15. This fee increase is particularly important for the UC Davis School of Nursing, because the school receives no state funds to support this program.

The MS Nursing and Healthcare Leadership programs provide opportunities for nurses to contribute to the healthcare environment that is changing quickly due to the Affordable Healthcare Act, serving a wider community of previously underserved populations. Debt forgiveness programs are available to graduates who work with underserved populations. The SON is able to meet the strong commitment to diversity through
the return to aid program. Even this 20% requested increase, total tuition at UC Davis will still be lower than our comparison institutions.

Consultation

The Regents’ Policy on Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition requires each plan to include information about the views of the program’s student body and faculty on the proposed increase, which may be obtained in a variety of ways. Campuses are expected to have consulted with students and faculty. At the program level, consultation should include information on (a) proposed PDST increases and three-year plans for any proposed increases, (b) uses of PDST revenue, (c) PDST levels/increases in the context of total charges, (d) issues of affordability and financial aid, (e) opportunities and support to pursue lower-paying public interest careers, (f) selection of comparator institutions, (g) diversity, and (h) outcomes for graduates of the program (e.g., career placement of graduates, average earnings, indebtedness levels).

Consultation with students

How did you consult with students about the PDST levels proposed for 2015-16? Check all that apply.

☐ Scheduled town hall style meetings with students in the program to discuss the plan and solicit feedback
☐ Convened focus groups of students in the program to discuss the plan and solicited feedback
☐ Described the plan to students in the program via email, solicited their feedback, and reviewed the comments received
☐ Other (please describe): Text

Student Consultation

Graduate professional students will be notified by email by the Assistant Dean of the PDST fee structure plan by October 6, 2014 (after Fall quarter begins). Students will be offered the opportunity to engage via email, phone or at a town hall that will be offered in October.

The School of Nursing, on behalf of the Nursing Science and Health-care Leadership graduate group will also ensure the GSA is informed via the Office of Graduate Studies. OGS was the conduit to GSA to ensure that the long-forms were exchanged.

All written comments and notes from the town hall will be submitted to Dean Gibeling for review.

Attach the feedback written by students during the opportunities for consultation checked above and any proposal changes as a result of this feedback. Also attach a summary of feedback written by designated student leaders in the program. Examples of appropriate leadership include the relevant program or school student association leadership, if one exists, and the campus graduate student association or equivalent.

In addition to consultation with program students and faculty, please confirm that this short-form template has been provided to the program graduate student organization, if applicable, and the campus graduate student organization. Each program is also encouraged to engage campus graduate student organization leadership (i.e., your GSA president) in the program’s student consultation opportunities. The program should provide each with an opportunity to provide feedback on the proposals. Full comments or a summary of those comments must be provided by the program.

☐ Plan shared with _______ Erica Vonasek, GSA Interim Chair ___________________________ on __________ 8/20/14 __________.
Campus graduate student organization (i.e., your campus’ GSA president)

☐ Comments or feedback was provided.
☐ Comments or feedback was not provided.
Nature of feedback or full comments:

☐ If applicable, plan shared with ____________________________ on ____________.

Program graduate student organization (i.e., your program council or department GSA)

☐ Comments or feedback was provided.
☐ Comments or feedback was not provided.
Nature of feedback or full comments:

Consultation with faculty (if appropriate)

How did you consult with faculty about the PDST levels proposed for 2015-16? Check all that apply.

☐ Scheduled town-hall style meetings of faculty to discuss the plan and solicit feedback
☐ Convened focus groups of faculty in the program to discuss the plan and solicit feedback
☐ Described the plan to faculty in the program via email, solicited their feedback, and reviewed the comments received
☐ Other (please describe): Text

Faculty Consultation

Faculty within the Graduate Group in Nursing Science and Healthcare Leadership will be notified of the PDST plan by Dean Young on October 6, 2014 and the PDST proposal /SON sustainability plan will be an agenda item on the School of Nursing faculty meeting in October.

Attach the feedback written by faculty during the opportunities for consultation checked above and any proposal changes as a result of this feedback. Also attach a summary of feedback written by designated faculty leaders in the program. Examples of appropriate leadership include other appropriate faculty and affiliated faculty leadership (e.g., faculty executive committee or other faculty leadership).

Please confirm that this short-form template was provided to the campus Graduate Dean and approved by the Chancellor.

☑ Plan shared with ____________________________ on ____________.
   Graduate Dean

☑ Plan shared with ____________________________ on ____________.
   Chancellor

Market Comparisons: Total Charges

In their fall 2010 or summer 2012 long-form templates, each program provided a list of comparison institutions, estimates of comparison institutions’ total charges, and projections of comparison institutions’ total charges. The July 2012 Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition Regents’ item (as presented at the July 2012 Regents’ meeting, and available at http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/regents/regmeet/jul12/f6.pdf) provides the average estimated total fees at programs’ public comparison institutions as projected for 2012-13, and are used in the companion tables to this

1 Per the Policy on Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition section 7(B), found at http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/regents/policies/3103.html
template to calculate public comparison fees projected for 2015-16 – i.e., increased by 3% annually over 2012-13 levels. Please choose your program’s average public comparison fee figure from the file and insert it below. This assumes that your program’s public comparators have not changed since your program’s last submission; if they have changed, or if you believe a different average public comparison fee figure should be used, please contact Richard Michaelson at OP (richard.michaelson@ucop.edu) as soon as possible.

Projected 2015-16 total resident fees, public comparison institution average: $28,004