

Stockton 2014-15 Tuition, Fees to Increase 2 Percent; No Increases for Summer Session

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Galloway Township, NJ - Tuition and fees at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will increase 2 percent in the 2014-15 school year, a modest increase the Board of Trustees said is necessary to maintain facilities and support academic excellence.

Tuition and fees for the Summer 2015 semester will not increase, however.

"The college is very mindful of the financial difficulties many students and their parents face, and we have kept this increase to the minimum required to meet our obligations in providing a distinctive Stockton education," said President Herman Saatkamp. "Stockton has worked hard to raise more money for scholarships and provide other forms of aid, and we will continue to do so. In 2013-14, more than 2,100 students received a total of over \$10,300,000 in financial aid from Stockton."

Under the resolution passed at today's board meeting, tuition for full-time undergraduates who live in New Jersey will increase the flat rate per semester by \$79.48, or 2 percent, to \$4,053.57.

Stockton's flat-rate tuition program enables full-time students to take between 12 and 20 credits and pay the same rate. Students who take 20 credits can graduate sooner and potentially save thousands of dollars in the cost of classes and housing or commuting.

Various fees are being kept to a 2 percent increase. Educational and general fees for full-time, in-state undergraduates will rise by \$34.73, to \$1771.36. Their facilities fees will be \$459.32, an increase of \$9.01. Out-of-state students pay higher tuition, as at all public colleges, but pay the same fees as in-state students.

Master's and doctoral students will also see 2 percent increases per credit hour, with amounts depending on their residency. The new tuition rate for in-state Post Baccalaureate, Master's and Post-Master's students will be \$570.59 per credit hour, up \$11.19. Their educational and general fees will rise by \$2.67, to \$136.26, while facilities fees will total \$35.33, up 69 cents. -More-

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Doctoral students who live in New Jersey will pay \$627.65 per credit hour, while their educational and general fees will be \$136.26, with facilities fees of \$35.33.

Summer tuition will remain unchanged at \$229.09 per credit hour for in-state undergraduates, while their educational and general fees will continue at \$123.22, with \$31.95 facilities fees.

Tuition during the summer for in-state Post Baccalaureate, Master's and Post-Master's students continues at the rate of \$543.11 per credit hour. Educational and general fees of \$129.70 and facilities fees of \$33.63 remain the same for all graduate students. For doctoral students who live in New Jersey, summer tuition will remain \$597.52 per credit hour. Out-of-state undergraduate and graduate students pay higher tuition rates but the same fees as in-state students at each level.

Last year was the only time in Stockton's history when the board was able to vote for no increases in tuition and fees. Charles Ingram, vice president of Administration and Finance, said at the time that was unlikely to be repeated due to mandated costs such as salary increases negotiated by the state.

In other business, Lieut. Cynthia Parker of the Stockton Campus Police Department was honored as the Officer of the Year.

"Lieut. Parker stepped up to fill the role as Interim Chief of Police this past year and did so with the utmost professionalism," said Charles Ingram, vice president for Administration and Finance. "With positive energy and creativity, she was able to keep the department unified and morale strong through situations that at times required a great deal of compassion and strength."

He noted that among the many challenges was the unusually high amount of snowfall that required many early morning phone calls to discuss the safety of the campus community and their commute.

"She succeeded in her leadership role with steadfast determination while also keeping her sense of humor," Ingram said. He introduced Police Chief Greg Coffin, who presented the award to Parker.

"Although I am very honored to receive the award, I truly believe the members of our Police Department and the college should be recognized for the extraordinary efforts they put forth to keep the positive reputation and professional attitudes that our department has been known for," Lieut. Parker said. "I am truly impressed by the teamwork and professionalism exhibited by the members of Stockton."

Lieut. Parker also successfully completed the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police "Command Leadership" Academy this year. The course is a rigorous 14-week course developed through the United States Military Academy at West Point.

The board also accepted \$1.8 million in two grants to Stockton's Child Welfare Education Institute from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P). The Child Welfare Education Institute provides social work education and professional training for current and future employees in New Jersey's public child welfare system.

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The Baccalaureate Child Welfare Education Program (BCWEP) was funded for \$743,379 to train eight Stockton undergraduate students, plus 27 additional students throughout the state. The Masters Child Welfare Education Program (MCWEP) was funded for \$1,067,363 for 14 Stockton graduate students, plus an additional 42 students throughout the state.

Stockton also accepted continued funding for its multi-year grant from the New Jersey Department of Education to provide professional development and graduate coursework to teachers of mathematics in Cape May and Cumberland counties.

The Mathematics and Science Partnership Grant will provide \$356,867 to the college in Year Two to support successful implementation of the new Common Core State Standards in Mathematics. Faculty from Stockton's School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics (NAMS) and its School of Education, as well as staff from the Southern Regional Institute and Educational Technology Training Center (SRI&ETTC) will work with 60 teachers from 11 school districts to support implementation of the new standards.

The project titled the Stockton Coastal Collaborative is expected to receive nearly \$1 million in funding over the three years of the Math-Science Partnership.

Participating public school districts include Wildwood, Woodbine, Middle Township, Commercial Township, Millville, Cumberland Regional High School and each of its K-8 sending districts including Hopewell Crest, Stow Creek, Greenwich, Deerfield, and Fairfield Township. All of the programming will take place at the college's newest instructional site – Anne Azeez Hall in Woodbine.

Photo caption:

L to R: Charles Ingram, vice president for Administration & Finance, Lieut. Cynthia Parker and Chief Gregory Coffin, of Stockton's Campus Police Department as Parker receives the college's Officer of the Year award on July 9, 2014.

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Stockton Tuition and Fee Rates Acted on by Board of Trustees on July 9, 2014

Student Level	Current	Current	Current	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed
Academic Semester	Tuition Rate	Educational and General Fees Rate	Facilities Fees Rate	Tuition Rate 2% Increase	Educational and General Fees Rate 2% Increase	Facilities Fees Rate 2% Increase
Undergraduate Full Time (Flat Rate Per Semester)						
In-State	\$3,974.09	\$1,736.63	\$450.31	\$4,053.57	\$1,771.36	\$459.32
Out-of-State	\$7,170.57	\$1,736.63	\$450.31	\$7,313.98	\$1,771.36	\$459.32
Undergraduate Part Time (Per Credit Hour)						
In-State	\$305.70	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$311.81	\$136.26	\$35.33
Out-of-State	\$551.59	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$562.62	\$136.26	\$35.33
Post Baccalaureate, Masters, and Post- Masters Full Time and Part Time (per credit hour)						
In-State	\$559.40	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$570.59	\$136.26	\$35.33
Out-of-State	\$861.12	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$878.34	\$136.26	\$35.33
Doctoral Full Time and Part Time (per credit hour)						
In-State	\$615.34	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$627.65	\$136.26	\$35.33
Out-of-State	\$990.29	\$133.59	\$34.64	\$1,010.10	\$136.26	\$35.33

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Summer Semester	Tuition Rate	Educational and General Fees Rate	Facilities Fees Rate	Tuition Rate	Educational and General Fees Rate 0% Increase	Facilities Fees Rate 0% Increase
Undergraduate (Per Credit Hour)						
In-State	\$229.09	\$123.22	\$31.95	\$229.09	\$123.22	\$31.95
Out-of-State	\$413.36	\$123.22	\$31.95	\$413.36	\$123.22	\$31.95
Post Baccalaureate, Masters, and Post- Masters Full Time and Part Time (per credit hour)						
In-State	\$543.11	\$129.70	\$33.63	\$543.11	\$129.70	\$33.63
Out-of-State	\$836.04	\$129.70	\$33.63	\$836.04	\$129.70	\$33.63
Doctoral Full Time and Part Time (per credit hour)						
In-State	\$597.42	\$129.70	\$33.63	\$597.42	\$129.70	\$33.63
Out-of-State	\$961.45	\$129.70	\$33.63	\$961.45	\$129.70	\$33.63

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