

U-M hikes tuition 15 percent; budget not approved

University of Michigan regents last week approved an average increase of 15 percent in tuition fees for the 1982-83 academic year on the Ann Arbor campus, U-M Dearborn and U-M Flint. Despite the "dismal" revenue expectations, according to B.E. Frye, U-M's vice president for academic affairs, the university has tried to "minimize the students' burden to the extent possible."

Still, he noted, even with the tuition increase, the university's budgetary uncertainties and risks are "too great" at this time to adopt a budget for the current fiscal year. The university's fiscal year began July 1 and the state appropriation for the university has not yet been enacted.

The 1982-83 tuition rates per academic term, including a health service fee, at the Ann Arbor campus will be:

• Freshmen and sophomores — Michigan residents, \$2,874 (now \$2,481).

• Juniors and seniors — residents, \$1,106 (now \$957); non-residents, \$3,090 (now \$2,667).

• Graduate students — residents,

\$1,458 (now \$1,293); non-residents, \$3,130 (now \$2,773).

• Master of business administration students — residents, \$1,558 (now \$1,293); non-residents, \$3,230 (now \$2,773).

• Dentistry students — residents, \$2,202 (now \$1,919); non-residents, \$4,164 (now \$3,625).

• Law — residents, \$1,670 (now \$1,433); non-residents, \$3,529 (now \$3,021).

• Medicine — residents, \$2,402 (now \$2,093); non-residents, \$4,582 (now \$3,987).

The new tuition rates for the U-M-Dearborn campus will be: Undergraduates — residents, \$764 per term (now \$664); non-residents, \$2,346 (now \$2,040). Graduates — residents, \$814 (now \$710); non-residents, \$2,638 (now \$2,294).

U-M-Flint's new rates will be: Undergraduates — residents, \$660 per term (now \$572); non-residents, \$2,178 (now \$1,892). Graduates — residents, \$745 (now \$646); non-residents, \$2,350 (now \$2,050).

"By way of comparison, our sister in-

stitutions in the state are contemplating tuition increases in the range of 9 percent to 25 percent," Frye said. "Among the Big Ten institutions, the anticipated increases range from 9 percent to 25 percent; and among our private peers, increases range from 14 percent to 20 percent. Their increases average 15 to 17 percent."

"It is our judgment that we will not materially worsen our competitive position. Even so, the financial pressures on our students are disturbing. We are concerned that we have failed to improve that position again this year and, as a result, will remain the most costly of the state-assisted universities in the country."

However, Frye continued, the need for a tuition increase for 1982-83 can readily be demonstrated, based on the university's General Fund expenditure and revenue prospects.

For the Ann Arbor campus, he reported, "anticipated increases in the costs of utilities, staff benefits, inflationary adjustments for non-salary accounts (library books, telephone, etc.), financial aid increments (equal, in percentage terms, to the proposed tuition increase) and very modest programmatic

commitments, will require nearly \$16.3 million in new spending — excluding any increments for general salary improvement for our faculty or staff. That — the real need for a salary increment, in order to keep our faculty and staff compensation pace with inflation — would require another \$10.4 million."

"Against this minimum need of \$16.3 million in incremental funding — which, I emphasize again, excludes a general salary program — our new revenue expectations are indeed dismal."

"First, and foremost," Frye said, "although the state Legislature has not yet completed action on the 1982-83 appropriations bill, our best estimate is that we can expect a budget increase from state resources equivalent to zero over our current reduced base."

"Furthermore, we expect no increase in indirect cost revenues, due to modest declines in award volume, and expect an increase of only 6 percent or \$219,000 in 'other income.' The latter is smaller than it would ordinarily be because our interest income will be seriously reduced by the deferral of the state appropriation payments for the

period July through September of this calendar year."

"Given these numbers, a student fee increase of 15 percent is required if we are to meet our commitment to maintain the quality of our programs. This is expected to generate \$11.2 million."

The current economic crisis of the state is not the only factor contributing to the university's budgetary problems, Frye noted. A decade of deteriorating state support for higher education has resulted in the university's share of the state budget being reduced from 4.1 percent to 3.3 percent — or equivalent to a loss of \$30 million in state support annually.

Other contributing factors include "an outlook for the future that is dimmed by the projected decline in the student pool and in state and federal support for education; and a backlog of internal expenditure shortfalls in equipment, building renewal and so on."

Frye said that "the regents' approval

of the 1982-83 tuition rates is necessary this month in order that our students may be informed and plan their budgets before the beginning of the 1982-83 academic year in September."

In addition, the regents authorized the Ann Arbor campus to reallocate \$5 million of internal funds to instruction of all staff salaries, "the highest priority need of the Ann Arbor campus." This fund represents a base budget reduction in the General Fund as part of the university's five-year plan of retrenchment and reallocation.

"We firmly believe that all employee groups merit a salary program this year," Frye said.

"We are committed to make every effort to convince the state Legislature of this need. Despite the need, it would be misleading to suggest that the prospects for success are encouraging, and we may have to go through this year without a general salary program, or at best, with minimal adjustments directed to special problem areas."

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