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## INCREASE TRANSPORTATION FEE, SUMMER 2009, CHICAGO

**Action:** Increase Transportation Fee, Summer 2009, Chicago

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

The U-Pass Contract with the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) was renewed in 2005 through Academic Year 2009-2010. The fee rate is based upon an annual notification from the CTA. Payment from the campus to the CTA is calculated on a per student, per day basis. The current CTA payment rate, which has not changed since 2005, is 70 cents per student, per day resulting in a transportation fee of \$95 in the fall and spring semesters and \$52 for the summer session. Only full-time enrolled students are eligible for and assessed the transportation fee.

When the current summer rate of \$52 was established, it was based upon the established number of days resulting from an eight-week term plus five days prior to the beginning of the term and five days after the term ends. Subsequently, the Chicago campus has changed the summer session schedule so that now there is a four-week term followed by an eight-week term. Students enrolling in the summer may choose to enroll for either or both of those terms, thus a student who is enrolled full-time for the summer would now enroll for twelve weeks. Since the term now has additional days, the campus must pay the CTA for those days.

In order to pay for the additional service days in the summer, the Interim Chancellor at Chicago recommends an increase in the summer transportation fee from \$52 to \$73 for Summer 2009.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.