APPROVE STUDENT FEES FOR URBANA, CHICAGO, AND SPRINGFIELD, ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

Action: Approve Student Fees for Urbana, Chicago, and Springfield, (Student Services, Transportation, Health Services, Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment, Library/IT Assessment, General Fees and other special purpose and student-initiated fees), Academic Year 2021-2022

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellors/Vice Presidents at each university have recommended student fee levels for Academic Year 2021-2022 to support auxiliary operations, student programs and activities, and student health services. The fees help to meet continuing necessities (salaries and wages, utilities, and goods and services), student programs, and operating costs including debt service as well as repair and replacement programs of facilities that comprise the Auxiliary Facilities Systems. Proposed fee increases have been vetted by student committees at each university.

The Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment (AFMFA) is a student charge that goes toward repair and renovation of academic facilities. The AFMFA rate is set based on: the current and anticipated needs for deferred maintenance of academic facilities at each university; the availability of revenues from other sources to fund such deferred maintenance; and overall student affordability.
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Student Fees and Assessments at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign are proposed to increase by $13 per semester (+0.82 percent). Fee changes include: an increase of $3 for the Service Fee (for Student Success and Engagement infrastructure); an increase of $5 for the General Fee (primarily to cover the critical replacement of the roof on the Arcade building); a decrease of $1 for the Health Service fee; and an increase of $6 per semester in the Student Transportation fee (new contract negotiated and first increase to students since academic year 2017-18). No increases are recommended for the AFMA, Library/IT Assessment or the Student Initiated fee.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO

Student Fees and Assessments at the University of Illinois Chicago are proposed to increase by $14 per semester (+0.84 percent). The additional amount consists of: a $4 increase in the Service Fee (to cover union increases and minimum wage changes), and a $10 increase in the Health Service Fee (referendum passed to increase student mental health services). No increases are recommended for the General Fee, Student-to-Student Fee, Sustainability Fee, AFMFA, or Library/IT Assessment. The Transportation Fee rate (currently at $163) will be established after the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) provides the Fiscal Year 2021 rate in March 2021.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SPRINGFIELD

Student Fees and Assessments at the University of Illinois Springfield will remain unchanged.
All of these fees and assessments, including AFMFA and Library/IT Assessment, are eligible to be covered by a student’s need-based aid pursuant to the Board’s financial aid policy. The attached table presents the current and proposed fee levels for the programs described above.

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 Vice President/Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller and the Executive Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs concur with the fee levels proposed.

The President of the University recommends approval.