Board Meeting July 30, 2007

## APPROVE TUITION RATES, GLOBAL CAMPUS NURSING AND ONLINE LEARNING PROGRAMS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

**Action:** Approve Tuition Rates for Global Campus Programs (RN to BSN, Ed. M.

in Human Resource Education with Concentration in Online Learning and

Graduate certificates in Online Learning)

**Funding:** No Funding Required

At their meeting on March 13, 2007, members of the Board of Trustees approved the establishment of the University of Illinois Global Campus. The Global Campus will offer fully accredited University of Illinois master's degrees, bachelor's completion degrees, and certificate programs across an array of disciplines. These academic programs and courses will be developed and delivered in partnership with University of Illinois colleges and departments.

Global Campus programs will be implemented according to a phased rollout schedule, with initial courses starting on January 2, 2008. Degree and certificate programs scheduled for the January launch include the following:

In partnership with the College of Nursing, Chicago

• RN to Bachelor's of Science in Nursing

In partnership with the College of Education, Urbana

- Ed. M. in Human Resource Education with Concentration in Online Learning
- Graduate certificate in Foundations of Online Learning
- Graduate certificate in Technologies for Online Learning

All programs offered by the Global Campus will be self-supporting and operated on a "full cost recovery" basis. Tuition rates for Global Campus programs are market driven and are priced competitively to achieve enrollment goals, cover costs, and generate revenues for investment in the University's instructional mission. When establishing tuition rates it is also important to recognize the University's land-grant heritage and ensure access to qualified students regardless of income level.

The Global Campus will leverage the long-term investment that Illinois taxpayers have invested in the University of Illinois and will benefit budgetarily from a small amount of recurring state support (\$912,000 in Fiscal Year 2008). Therefore, the tuition for Illinois residents who enroll in the undergraduate, graduate, and certificate programs offered by the Global Campus will be 10 percent less than the tuition for non-residents.

Approval is recommended for the following tuition rates for programs to be launched by the Global Campus in January 2008. The new tuition rates become effective January 2008.

				Tuition for Illinois Residents		Tuition for Non-Residents	
Program	Program Number	Program Type	Number of Courses (total credit hours)	Per Credit Hour	Total Program	Per Credit Hour	Total Program
RN to Bachelor's of Science, Nursing	B101	Bachelor's Completion Degree	8 (30 credit hours)	\$616.50	\$18,495	\$685	\$20,550
Ed.M. Online Learning	M301	Master's Degree	9 (36 credit hours)	\$382.50	\$13,770	\$425	\$15,300
Graduate Certificate, Foundations of Online Learning	C201	Graduate Certificate	3 (12 credit hours)	\$382.50	\$4,590	\$425	\$5,100
Graduate Certificate, Technologies for Online Learning	C202	Graduate Certificate	3 (12 credit hours)	\$382.50	\$4,590	\$425	\$5,100

Tuition requirements for each of these programs will be reviewed and adjusted annually at the beginning of the fiscal year. It is recommended that the above tuition rates be approved for Fiscal Year 2008, with the understanding that Global Campus may adjust tuition rates on a fiscal year basis up to five percent to address inflationary cost increases and ensure adequate resources are available to operate each program. Any proposed increase above the five percent threshold requires presentation to and approval by the Board. This approval and reporting model would apply to all Global Campus programs and the differential tuition rates established for each program. An annual report of tuition increases below the five percent threshold would be made to the Board.

The undergraduate tuition levels of the Global Campus must be compatible with State law, which requires Illinois public universities to guarantee that tuition levels will not increase for a period of four consecutive years after a student's initial enrollment in an undergraduate degree program. While the State law applies only to Illinois

residents, the University of Illinois provides the four-year guarantee to both resident and non-resident undergraduates.

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 for Academic Affairs and the Vice President/CFO and Comptroller concur with this recommendation.

The President of the University recommends approval.