

Board Meeting
July 30, 2007

APPROVE STUDENT APPLICATION FEE,
GLOBAL CAMPUS ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Action: Approve Student Application Fee, Global Campus Academic Programs

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. Global Campus courses will be developed and delivered in partnership with University of Illinois academic units.

Global Campus programs will be implemented according to a phased roll-out schedule, with initial courses starting on January 2, 2008. All programs offered by the Global Campus will be self-supporting and operated on a “full cost recovery” basis, employing all-inclusive pricing with no additional fees for services. The all-inclusive pricing model does not include the cost of application for admission.

The assessment of application fees is a standard practice in both campus-based and online degree programs where they are used to offset administrative costs associated with processing applications. It is recommended that a non-refundable

application fee of \$40 for Illinois residents and \$50 for domestic non-residents be charged to applicants at the time they submit an application for admission to a Global Campus program. It is also recommended that a non-refundable application fee of \$75 be charged to international applicants at the time they submit an application for admission to a Global Campus program. The higher application fee for international applicants is necessary to defray the high costs of evaluating transcripts from non-U.S. educational institutions.

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 Chief Financial Officer concurs in the fee level proposed.

The President of the University recommends approval.