

APPENDIX C

A-3. Authorization of Tuition for 2023-24

The following RESOLUTION for the 2023-24 academic year reflects the tuition increase proposed by UNC Pembroke.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIAL TUITION

WHEREAS, G.S. 116-143 requires that the University of North Carolina Board of Governors shall fix the tuition and fees, not inconsistent with the actions of the General Assembly, at the UNC System constituent institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, effective with the Fall Term of 2023, UNC Pembroke is authorized to charge and collect the following tuition rates.

UNC Pembroke

Doctor of Nursing Practice – \$5,280, residents/\$18,339, nonresidents

UNC Pembroke requests the establishment of a school-based tuition rate of \$1,000 for its Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). The revenue generated would be used to support the program's core operating costs, including faculty salaries, travel, and student research tools.

			North Carolina Residents			Nonresidents	
			From	To		From	To
Institution							
UNC Pembroke							
Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)	Grad		n/a	5,280.00		n/a	18,339.00

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program Tuition Differential

The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program is a new program at UNC Pembroke. The program is planned to start Spring 2024, so there are currently no students enrolled in the program. The DNP program was approved by the Board of Governors in the February 2023 meeting. Included in the program approval was a \$1,000 tuition differential for students in the DNP program. The DNP program in Population Health is designed for nurses who are interested in improving population health, healthcare, and communities as a systems leader in the United States and in the world. The degree is also appropriate for educators with an expertise in leadership and population health.

Need for the Increase

Students will use various means in clinical experiences to work with identified populations. Scholarly data will be collected, and methods will vary as will evidence-based interventions and evaluative criteria. These clinical experiences require intense faculty time, technology equipment (computers, video/audio components), and will involve areas such as remote and regional medical facilities, clinics, mobile units, community organizations, and public health facilities.

How the Funds Will Be Used

The tuition differential revenue generated will help to offset some of the costs for purchasing research tools and academic research databases and data analytics programs such as Qualtrics or SPSS, as well as clinical hour tracking software. The DNP students and faculty may need additional malpractice coverage, travel funds for face-to-face contact with distance-based students, and/or assistance with data collection and dissemination of the DNP project.

Faculty Costs

The tuition differential revenue will also assist with additional faculty costs as well. The DNP program will require three new full-time core faculty accounting for three FTE and an additional total of one reassigned faculty member accounting for 1 FTE for a total of 4 FTE. The proposed DNP program will use salary levels for the Program Director (\$120,000) and full-time faculty (\$85,000) that is consistent with the 2018-19 AOTA Faculty Workforce Survey for twelve-month contracts. At the start of the program in fiscal year 2023-24, in which students are admitted and matriculate into the program, the department plans to reassign an existing faculty member part-time. The program will utilize faculty based on their content expertise as it relates to the curriculum. In addition, the program plans to hire two additional core faculty to meet additional curricular needs of the program. These new faculty lines will add \$232,638 to the cost for faculty, bringing the total cost for full-time core faculty to \$510,541.

Impact on Affordability

A student of nursing at UNCP can enter a clear educational pathway from a directed program in a community college to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, to the Master of Nursing degree, which leads seamlessly to the terminal degree of the Doctor in Nursing Practice in Population Health. The median amount of student loan debt anticipated by graduate nursing students upon program completion is between \$40,000 and \$54,999. The cost of an online DNP degree at a private university in North Carolina is currently \$136,012.00 for the total 74 minimum credit units (Duke University, 2021). Even with the tuition differential, UNCP will be more affordable than other paths to this terminal degree. In addition, federal student loan forgiveness programs for nurses offer financial assistance in exchange for work commitments in underserved communities or in the public sector. The nursing federal loan forgiveness programs will reduce the overall monies owed if a federal loan is taken out and paid back over a 10-year period.

**TUITION INCREASE REQUEST FORM
FOR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS
2023-24**

UNCP

<i>Doctor of Nursing Practice</i>
<i>51.3818</i>

	2023-24 Annual Increment
Requested School-Based Tuition Increase	
Graduate Residents	\$1,000.00
Graduate Nonresidents	\$1,000.00

	FTE
Graduate Residents	4.00
Graduate Nonresidents	0.00
Total	4.00

Projected Revenues	
Graduate Residents	\$4,000.00
Graduate Nonresidents	\$0.00
Total	\$4,000.00

Projected Expenditures

<i>Research tools and academic research databases and data analytics programs such as Qualtrics or SPSS, as well as clinical hour tracking software</i>	\$500.00
<i>Travel Funds</i>	\$500.00
<i>Faculty Salaries</i>	\$3,000.00
Total	\$4,000.00

Does your campus intend to charge students in this program the requested graduate CITI plus the SBTI? (respond yes or no in the box)

Yes