University of Tennessee at Martin Proposed Increases to 2025-26 In-State Undergraduate Tuition and Mandatory Fees

The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees will consider a proposal to increase undergraduate instate tuition and mandatory fees at the University of Tennessee at Martin (UTM) during the Board's annual meeting on July 1, 2025. Tennessee law (Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-7-1603) requires boards of public universities to give public notice of proposed increases to tuition and mandatory fees charged to in-state undergraduate students at least fifteen (15) days prior to holding a public meeting to adopt the increases. Individuals are permitted to provide comments during the fifteen-day period at the following website:

https://tennessee.edu/about/leadership/board-of-trustees/tuition-and-fee-proposal/

Proposed In-State Tuition & Fees	2024-25	2025-26	Change	
Tuition	\$8,802	\$9,066	\$264	3.0%
Mandatory Fees	\$1,758	\$1,758	-	-
Tuition & Mandatory Fees	\$10,560	\$10,824	\$264	2.5%

Explanation for the Proposed Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases

The total number of in-state undergraduate students enrolled at UTM during the fall semester of 2024 was 5,174 compared to 4,823 during the fall semester of 2023. Fall 2025 enrollment is projected to increase 5% over Fall 2024. The proposed increases are needed to provide revenue to cover growth in the costs of providing and maintaining the quality and effectiveness of academic programs, student services, and campus infrastructure.

Purposes for Which the Revenue Derived from the Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases will be used.

The revenue increase primarily will be used for instructional support, student services, scholarships, faculty and staff promotions, fixed cost increases, and the portion of the 2.6% salary pool which was not fully funded by state appropriations.

Efforts to Mitigate the Effect of Tuition and Mandatory Fee Increases on Students

Tuition and fee increases have been modest in recent years. The 2.5% increase proposed for 2025-26 brings UTM's average increase over the last four years to 2.25%, below the average limits allowed by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission over the same period (3.7%). Approximately 91.8% of UTM instate undergraduate students receive some form of scholarship, grant, discount, or waiver to offset part or all the costs of attendance. The average annual financial aid per undergraduate is \$7,635.