

Tuition, repeat surcharge, and excess hours information  
for UF Online students  
(provided by Patti Perkins, University Financial Services)

Update from Patti Perkins, 2/18/14:

"I was in a meeting last week about our UF Regulation 3.0375 as it pertains to the Excess Hour Surcharge for UF Online students. UF General Counsel's office is reviewing it, but the rule may get revised again - perhaps not until June.

What is under consideration is to make paragraphs 8a and 8b in the below text read like 8c, where it refers to calculating the excess surcharge against the tuition in section (5) or (6), as applicable. (Making the reference to section 6 - the UF online rate - appear in all three excess situations.)

If this update is made, then I would assess excess surcharge to all UF Online students for either 50% or 100% times the \$78.80 UF Online tuition amount.

I'll do my best to keep you posted, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions."

What is generally thought of as "tuition" has two components for Undergraduates - the Resident Tuition portion and the Tuition Differential.

For standard Undergraduate assessments, it is currently set as:

\$105.07	Resident Tuition
<u>44.17</u>	Tuition Differential
\$149.24	Total "Tuition"

For UF Online, it is calculated at 75% of both components:

\$78.80	Resident Tuition
<u>33.12</u>	Tuition Differential
\$111.92	Total "Tuition" for UF Online

The rule may still be a penny off in the tuition differential for UF Online. We heard from the Board of Governors earlier in January that we should have rounded down

when calculating the UF Online tuition differential:  $44.17 \times 75\% = 33.1275$ , which if we assess 33.13, then we are assessing more than 75%.

However, when translating the rules for excess hour surcharge, the penalty percentage (50% or 100%) is multiplied against only the Resident Tuition component: \$105.07 or \$78.80, depending on if it is defined as section 5 amount (standard rate) or section 6 amount (UF Online).

For Repeat Surcharge, the UF Online students will be assessed the same \$122.00/credit hour (current rate) that all undergraduates are being assessed. Per UF Regulation 3.0375 Tuition Cost:

~~(7p)~~ Pursuant to Section 1009.285, F.S., each student enrolled in the same undergraduate course more

than twice, shall be assessed an additional \$122.00 per credit hour charge in addition to the Tuition Costs outlined above in section ~~(45)~~ or ~~(56)~~, for each such course.

FYI - section 5 refers to standard undergraduate rates; section 6 refers to UF Online rates.

For Excess Hour Surcharge, it is a little messier. It looks like all students (UF Online included) who enter a state university for the first time in 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 will have their surcharge calculated against the standard tuition amount of \$105.07 (current rate). However, UF Online students who enroll in a state university in 2012-13 and thereafter will have their excess calculated against the UF Online tuition amount in section 6 (currently \$78.80). Here's what the section of the rule about excess hour surcharge says:

~~(8e)~~ An Excess Hour Surcharge shall be assessed to an undergraduate student for each credit hour in

excess of the number of credit hours required to complete the baccalaureate degree program in which the student is enrolled. The University will follow the definitions of required credit hours and other provisions governing the surcharge as set forth in Board of Governors Reg. 7.003. The excess hour surcharge shall become effective for students who enter a state university for the first time and maintain continuous enrollment as follows:

~~(a)4-~~ For the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 academic years, an excess hour surcharge equal to 50 percent of

the tuition rate as set forth in section ~~(45)~~ for each credit hour in excess of 120 percent;

~~(b)2-~~ For the 2011-2012 academic year, an excess hour surcharge equal to 100 percent of the tuition rate

as set forth in section (45) for each credit hour in excess of 115 percent; and

~~(c)3-~~ For the 2012-2013 academic year and thereafter, an excess hour surcharge equal to 100 percent of

- the tuition rate as set forth in section (45) or (56), as applicable, for each credit hour in excess of 110 percent.

The full UF Regulation 3.0375 can be found at <http://regulations.ufl.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/ChangeNotice30375-2013.pdf>.