

For the information of Senate, February 17, 2011

**Report to the Board of Trustees
March 4, 2011**

**Revised Tuition Fee Recommendations 2011-2012
Professional Masters of Engineering Program Fee Proposals**

Introduction

At its May 2010 meeting the Board of Trustees approved a domestic tuition fee structure for graduate programs that recommended no increase in tuition levels from 2010-2011 until further discussion and analysis took place. Upon review of particular programs in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science it was determined that in comparison with other Ontario universities Queen's has significantly lower fee levels in the following select Masters of Engineering programs.

Queen's currently has substantially lower tuition fees than our Ontario competitors for the Master of Engineering one-year professional program. An increase of 8% will begin to bring our fees into alignment with peer institutions, while still maintaining our competitiveness with similar programs.

The Master of Engineering in Design and Manufacturing program (Advanced Design and Manufacturing Institute, ADMI) is a joint cost-recovery program offered by four Ontario Universities (Toronto, McMaster, Western and Queen's). Similarly, the Master of Engineering in Nuclear Engineering program is offered through the University Network of Excellence in Nuclear Engineering (UNENE) and involves Waterloo, Western, McMaster, Toronto and Queen's. Both programs deliver modular courses and students enroll on a part-time basis.

Recommendation

The Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Graduate Studies recommend that the domestic graduate tuition fees for the Master of Engineering, Master of Engineering in Design and Manufacturing program (Advanced Design and Manufacturing Institute, ADMI) and the Master of Engineering in Nuclear Engineering program offered through the University Network of Excellence in Nuclear Engineering (UNENE) increase by 8% from 2010-2011 levels as outlined in Table 1.

Summary

The University's proposed tuition fee increases conform to the Government's tuition framework. The proposed increases position the programs competitively with peer institutions. International student tuition fees for Masters programs were approved by the Board of Trustees at its December meeting and are not impacted by these changes.

Motion:

That the Board of Trustees, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approve the tuition fees set out in the attached Table 1 for the year 2011-12, effective May 1, 2011.

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Table 1
Recommended Tuition Fee Levels 2011-12

Graduate Programs	Approved 2010-11	Approved 2011-12	Proposed Amendment 2011-12	% Change
Master of Engineering (MEng)	\$6,258 (\$2,086/term)	\$6,258 (\$2,086/term)	\$6,759 (\$2,253/term)	8.0%
Master of Engineering in Design and Manufacturing program (ADMI)	\$2,500/course	\$2,500/course	\$2,700/course	8.0%
Master of Engineering in Nuclear Engineering (UNENE)	\$2,500/course	\$2,500/course	\$2,700/course	8.0%