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TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM 2006-07

and

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AND ASSISTANCE SPECIAL FUND 2006-07

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REPORT ON TUITION WAIVERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

The tuition waiver program of 2006-07 is consistent with the amendments to University of Hawaii administrative rules on tuition waivers approved by the Board of Regents in 1998. The amendments were approved to implement Act 161 (1995) and Act 237 (1996) which provided authority to the Board to grant, modify and suspend previously legislatively mandated tuition waivers as well as to establish new ones.

In March 1997, the Board of Regents approved a Tuition Assistance Plan (effective Fall 1997) that provided the following tuition waivers:

- 1) **General Waivers.** The purpose of General Waivers is to provide access to higher education by Hawaii residents; to attract and retain academically superior Hawaii students; and to develop student diversity. A maximum number of 13% of the previous fall semester's full-time equivalent enrollment at each campus may be awarded in General Tuition Waivers.

Need Based. A minimum of 70% of the General Tuition Waivers must be awarded on the basis of financial need. 250 of the need-based tuition waivers are reserved for needy Hawaiian students. (Note: Hawaiians are eligible and receive assistance through all tuition waiver categories.)

Merit/Service. Up to 30% of the General Tuition Waivers may be awarded based on merit or service criteria.

- 2) **Pacific Asian Scholarships (PAS).** The purpose of the PAS is to attract and retain well-qualified students from the Pacific/Asian region or students pursuing studies important to the Pacific/Asian region. Up to 2% of the previous fall semester's full-time equivalent enrollment may be awarded as Pacific Asian scholarships.

- 3) **Categorical Waivers**

- a) **UH Employees.** Per collective bargaining agreement and BOR Policy 6-10a, faculty and staff who are employed at least half-time, are exempt from tuition and fees for not more than six credits per regular semesters.
- b) **Faculty Spouse/Domestic Partner:** The 2003 faculty (Unit 7) collective bargaining agreement extended eligibility for tuition waivers to faculty spouse or domestic partner. Faculty spouses or domestic partners are exempt from tuition and fees for not more than six credits per regular semester.
- c) **Graduate Assistant.** Per HRS 304-12.4 and BOR Policy 6-10c, graduate assistants are exempt from full or partial tuition charges based on their FTE appointment level.

4) Other. A number of tuition waivers are available for:

- a) Regents and Presidential Scholars;
- b) Intercollegiate athletes;
- c) Band members;
- d) Commitments to other institutions through agreements.

In 2006-07, \$24,767,382 in tuition assistance was provided. A total of 9650 students systemwide received full or partial waivers of tuition charges.

In 2006-07, an additional \$32,830,085 in non-resident tuition differentials was waived for non-residents in the following categories: East-West Center grantees, faculty/staff, institutional agreements with the Pacific Islands, military (for active duty personnel and their dependents), Hawai'i National Guard and Reserves, Native Hawaiian, Pacific/Asian study, student exchange, and Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE). Tuition revenues collected from these students was \$23,709,833.

In June 2006, the UH Board of Regents approved a new Financial Assistance Program that eliminates the majority of the tuition waiver program in order to convert waivers to scholarships, beginning Fall 2007. The scholarships, funded by tuition revenues, would be made available to students (undergraduate, graduate, part-time, full-time, resident, and non-resident) who have financial need as well as some who meet merit, service, and other criteria as determined by campuses. This new program is documented in the Board of Regents policy, Chapter 6, and in UH Executive Policy, E6.204.

2006-07

REPORT ON THE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AND ASSISTANCE SPECIAL FUND

Act 138 of the 2004 Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) established the Student Scholarship and Assistance Special Fund to provide financial assistance to qualified students enrolled at any campus of the University of Hawaii. Revenues deposited into this fund shall include state, federal and private funds, and funds transferred by the University from the tuition and fees special fund pursuant to section 304-16.5.

Act 178, Section 57 of the 2005 SLH Relating to the State Budget provided that, of the general fund appropriation for the University of Hawaii System (UOH 900), \$500,000 for FY 06 and \$1,000,000 for FY 07 are designated to fund the State of Hawaii B Plus Scholarship program for qualified Hawaii resident students who enroll at any UH campus.

Furthermore, in 2007, the University received a general fund appropriation of \$1,500,000 for FY 08 and \$2,000,000 for FY 09 to continue the State of Hawai'i B Plus Scholarship program for qualified students in order to equip students with necessary funds to complete their program or degree.

The University has transferred the appropriated funds for the State of Hawaii B Plus Scholarship program into the Student Scholarship and Assistance Special Fund to be awarded for the 2007-08 school year. To date, we have awarded \$950,762 of the designated \$1,000,000 in financial assistance for the Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 semesters. By January 31, 2008, we expect to be able to award the balance of the \$49,238 to eligible UH students for the Spring 2008 semester.

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
TUITION WAIVER UTILIZATION
FY 2006-2007

DOLLAR VALUE OF TUITION WAIVER

	MAN	HIL	WOA	HAW	HON	KAP	KAU	LEE	MAU	WIN	Total
GENERAL											
Native Hawn Fin Aid	606,584	38,139	6,498	8,960	28,476	53,844	6,384	95,150	21,616	4,984	870,634
Other Fin Aid	3,868,504	927,344	133,038	235,497	245,454	435,132	78,355	238,557	282,785	197,329	6,641,995
MERIT	1,964,889	384,925	16,587	16,688	32,805	45,746	16,800	17,136	1,512	10,080	2,507,168
REG/PRES	399,600	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	411,600
ATHLETIC	2,172,535	282,776	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,455,311
BAND	485,770	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	485,770
INST AGREEMENTS	226,421	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	226,421
PACIFIC ASIAN	1,696,310	54,000	6,669	-	1,680	111,552	16,744	30,296	2,912	7,392	1,927,555
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Employee	919,124	41,603	6,224	7,925	16,147	14,412	2,584	8,052	13,632	2,418	1,032,121
Employee Spouse	216,425	24,041	1,182	986	2,011	16,253	1,144	4,315	595	1,456	268,406
Employee Dom Part	32,629	-	-	433	-	1,542	-	-	214	-	34,818
Grad Assistants	7,810,164	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,810,164
SUMMER SESSION	62,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,100
EXTENSION	4,320	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,320
UG NURSING CLINICAL	29,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,000
Total	20,494,374	1,764,828	170,198	270,488	326,573	678,481	122,011	393,505	323,266	223,659	24,767,382

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS

	MAN	HIL	WOA	HAW	HON	KAP	KAU	LEE	MAU	WIN	Total
GENERAL											
Native Hawn Fin Aid	174	18	4	9	42	72	7	129	20	7	482
Other Fin Aid	1,212	490	72	273	310	521	98	351	287	232	3,846
MERIT	917	153	8	23	29	86	19	18	3	8	1,264
REG/PRES	94	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98
ATHLETIC	311	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	396
BAND	250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250
INST AGREEMENTS	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
PACIFIC ASIAN	412	15	3	-	1	107	16	29	2	7	592
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Employee	590	36	9	25	40	33	9	24	20	9	795
Employee Spouse	103	14	2	3	5	27	4	8	1	5	172
Employee Dom Part	12	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	1	-	18
Grad Assistants	1,565	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,565
SUMMER SESSION	98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98
EXTENSION	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
UG NURSING CLINICAL	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Total	5,812	815	98	334	427	850	153	559	334	268	9,650

Source: Banner SIS 10/25/07