IV. STFAP, TUITION AND OTHER FEES

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A. SOCIALIZED TUITION & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (STFAP)

The Socialized Tuition and Financial Assistance Program (STFAP) is designed to open the University of the Philippines to poor but deserving high school graduates.

The objective of the program is to subsidize the cost of education of poor students in varying degrees according to their income brackets. The guiding principle of the program is the egalitarian principle of "from each according to his means, to each according to his needs."

1. *Features of Bracketing Schemes*

i. Numeric Bracketing Scheme

On 28 April 1988 the Board of Regents (BOR) officially adopted the STFAP policy and was implemented during the *first semester of academic year 1989-1990* as a major reform designed to democratize undergraduate student admission.

In general, all undergraduates in each UP campus will be charged tuition, miscellaneous fees (e.g., laboratory, medical, athletic, etc), and contributions to student-controlled funds (e.g., student council, student paper, etc) in that campus. Laboratory fees may vary according to subject. However, the actual amount to be paid by a student may be lower depending on the income bracket in which that student is assigned. In addition, low income students who meet the academic requirements of the program will receive scholarships consisting of living and book subsidies or stipends, transportation allowances and lodging allowances.

There are nine (9) income brackets but actual cutoffs vary according to the size of the student's family and its place of residence- Metro Manila, Other Urban Areas (e.g., Cebu City.etc) or Rural Areas. Students in Bracket 1 are the most needy while those in Bracket 9 are comparatively the most well-to-do.

ii. Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme

The UP Board of Regents in its 1216th Meeting on 15 December 2006 approved the increase in tuition and miscellaneous fees and the restructuring of the STFAP. The increase in tuition and miscellaneous fees due to inflation necessitated the adjustment of the benefits of the STFAP to better serve the needs of students who are most deserving of financial assistance.

The Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme for the STFAP or Restructured STFAP (STFAP 2.0) was implemented on the *first semester, academic year 2007-2008*. The scheme covers incoming freshmen and transferees. All other students are still covered by the existing Numeric Bracketing Scheme (Brackets 1-9). Students who do not apply for STFAP benefits will be assigned to Bracket A or B, depending on the Gross Family Income that they declared when they confirmed their intention to enroll in UP.

Brackets are assigned based on the information provided by the applicants on the declared family income and other family characteristics and socio-economic indicators. The final bracket assignment considers the bracket requested by the applicant, the reported family income, the predicted income using the income function, other indicators.

To expand the coverage of benefits under STFAP 2.0, the Board of Regents in its 1242nd meeting held on 26 March 2009 approved the Modified Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme for the STFAP (STFAP 2.1). The re-bracketing of some income ranges with corresponding changes in tuition and other fees and the increase in the number of brackets from five to six are the highlights of STFAP 2.1. The STFAP 2.1 scheme takes effect on 01 June 2009 and covers both incoming freshmen and those students covered by the tuition increase in 2007.

2. *Benefits and Income Cut-Offs*

STFAP beneficiaries enjoy benefits ranging from full tuition fee waiver to discounted tuition fee depending on their annual gross family income, plus cash subsidies as shown in the following comparative tables.

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Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme (STFAP 2.1) *

UP Diliman, UP Los Baños,UP Manila

Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme (STFAP 2.1)				
Bracket	Income Range	TF/U[1]	M & LF[2]	Stipend
A	More than 1,000,000	P1,500	Full	None
B	500,001 – 1,000,000	P1,000	Full	None
C	250,001 – 500,000	P600	Full	None
D	135,001 – 250,000	P300	Full	None
E1	80,001 – 135,000	0	0	None
E2	0 - 80,000	0	0	P12,000

UP Diliman - San Fernando, UP Visayas, UP Mindanao, UP Baguio, UP Cebu

Alphabetic Bracketing Scheme (STFAP 2.1)				
Bracket	Income Range	TF/U	M & LF	Stipend
A	More than 1,000,000	P1,000	Full	None
B	500,001 – 1,000,000	P600	Full	None
C	250,001 – 500,000	P400	Full	None
D	135,001 – 250,000	P200	Full	None
E1	80,001 – 135,000	0	0	None
E2	0 - 80,000	0	0	P12,000

[1]   Tuition fee per unit

[2]   Miscellaneous and laboratory fees

*   Derived on April 2010 from: 1) University of the Philippines STFAP Bulletin, March 1998 and 2) Excerpts from the Minutes of the 1242nd Meeting of the Board of Regents held on 26 March 2009.

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3. *STFAP Beneficiaries by Constituent University/Autonomous Unit*

Bracketing Scheme	Bracket	Constituent University/Autonomous Unit							TOTAL
STFAP Beneficiaries *First semester, AY 2012-2013*									
		UP Dil	UP LB	UP Mla	UP Vis	UP Min	UP Bag	UP Cebu	
Alphabetic (STFAP 2.1)	C	1,806	1,529	418	648	90	335	129	4,955
	D	1,210	1,439	267	450	118	362	142	3,988
	E1	327	666	86	413	64	139	136	1,831
	E2	83	115	198	177	33	49	58	713
	TOTAL	**3,426**	**3,749**	**969**	**1,688**	**305**	**885**	**465**	**11,487**

Note: UP Open University students are not included.

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1. FULL TUITION RATE

Students with declared annual gross family income of more than P1M shall be assessed to pay **full tuition per credit unit**.

CU/Campus	Tuition per Credit Unit
UP Diliman, UP Los Baños, UP Manila	P1,500
San Fernando, UP Visayas, UP Mindanao, UP Baguio	P1,000

2. BASE TUITION RATE

Students with declared annual gross family income within the range of P 500,001 – P1 M or the declared annual gross family income is P 500,001 and below but indicated that s/he will not apply for STFAP shall be assessed to pay the **base tuition per credit unit.**

CU/Campus	Base Tuition per Credit Unit
UP Diliman, UP Los Baños, UP Manila	P1,000
San Fernando, UP Visayas, UP Mindanao, UP Baguio	P600

3. ADJUSTED TUITION AND OTHER FEES

Presented below are the schedules for the adjusted tuition and other fees of entering undergraduate students effective AY 2007-2008, by campus.

i. UP Diliman (Main campus)

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year		
		Effective 2007-2008	2006-2007	Other Years
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		1,000	300	300
2. Miscellaneous Fee (The campus adjusted its library fee in 2006.)	Library	1,100	800	400
	Athletics	75	75	75
	Registration	40	40	40
	Medical	50	50	50
	Cultural	50	50	50
	Internet	260		
	Energy	425		
	TOTAL	2,000	1,015	615

ii. UP Diliman – San Fernando

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year		
		Effective 2007-2008	2006-2007	Other Years
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		600	200	200
2. Miscellaneous Fee (The campus adjusted its library fee in 2006.)	Library	800	800	400
	Athletics	55	55	55
	Registration	40	40	40
	Medical			
	Cultural	50	50	50
	Internet	260		
	Energy	250		
	TOTAL	1,455	945	545

* As discussed and adopted in the meeting of Chancellors and Registrars on 16 April 2007.

iii. UP Los Baños

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year	
		Effective 2007-2008	*Other Years*
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		1,000	225
2. Miscellaneous Fee	Library	1,100	400
	Athletics	75	75
	Registration	40	40
	Medical	50	50
	Cultural	50	50
	Internet	260	
	Energy	425	
	TOTAL	2,000	615

iv. UP Manila

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year		
		Effective 2007-2008	*2006-2007*	*Other Years*
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		1,000	250	250
2. Miscellaneous Fee (The campus adjusted its library fee in 2006.)	Library	1,100	800	400
	Athletics	25	25	25
	Registration	40	40	40
	Medical	50	50	50
	Cultural	50	50	50
	Internet	260		
	Energy	425		
	TOTAL	1,950	965	565

v. UP Visayas (Iloilo, Cebu and Tacloban)

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year	
		Effective 2007-2008	*Other Years*
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		600	200
2. Miscellaneous Fee (The campus adjusted its library fee in 2006.)	Library	700	400
	Athletics	55	55
	Registration	40	40
	Medical	50	50
	Cultural	50	50
	Internet	260	
	Energy	250	
	TOTAL	1,405	595

vi. UP Mindanao

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year		
		Effective 2007-2008	*2006-2007 (2nd sem)*	*Other Years*
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		600	200	200
2. Miscellaneous Fee (The campus adjusted its library fee in 2006.)	Library	800	800	500
	Athletics	100	100	100
	Registration	80	80	80
	Medical	100	100	100
	Cultural	50	50	50
	Internet	260		
	Energy	250		
	TOTAL	1,640	1,130	830

vii. UP Baguio

Tuition and Other Fees		Academic Year	
		Effective 2007-2008	*Other Years*
1. Base-tuition per credit unit		600	200
2. Miscellaneous Fee	Library	700	400
	Athletics	55	55
	Registration	40	40
	Medical	50	50
	Cultural	50	50
	Internet	260	
	Energy	250	
	TOTAL	1,405	595

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