

Operating Policy and Procedure

OP 64.06: Graduate Tuition Surcharge

DATE: January 19, 2024

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Operating Policy/Procedure (OP) is to ensure understanding of the

graduate tuition charges above the minimum established by the state.

REVIEW: This OP will be reviewed in March of every odd-numbered year by the Dean of the

Graduate School and the Vice Provost for Academic Innovation and Student Success with substantive revisions forwarded to the Provost and Senior Vice President for

Academic Affairs.

POLICY/PROCEDURE

Graduate tuition is assessed in accordance with the rates as set forth in the university's Global Fee Document and authorized by § 54.008 of the Texas Education Code. The tuition rate is set by the governing board. Allocations are made among the colleges in accordance with the assessment. The assessment will include at least 20 percent allocation to be held centrally for disbursement and to allow for fluctuations in estimates of enrollments.

Expenditures appropriate to these funds are those that directly benefit graduate education purposes at TTU. Guidelines for expenditures are flexible within the overriding purpose of improvement of graduate education.

Some examples of expenditures appropriate to these funds are awards and scholarships, supplements to graduate student employees' salaries, operations, maintenance, travel directly associated with graduate education, faculty and staff salaries supporting graduate education, and capital outlay for the same purposes.

It is noted that the additional tuition assessed in the Schools of Law and Veterinary Medicine are dedicated by specific actions of the Board of Regents.

Administrative personnel should alert all faculty of the purposes of these tuition charges.