

## Tuition Surcharge

### **What is the Tuition Surcharge?**

Effective with the fall semester of 1994, the North Carolina General Assembly instituted a twenty-five percent (25%) tuition surcharge (Section 89 (b), Senate Bill 27, 1993 Session) which applies to all new undergraduates seeking a baccalaureate degree.

- For students earning a first baccalaureate degree, the surcharge will be applied to all hours in excess of 140 *attempted* hours. Attempted hours include all transfer hours as well as withdrawals, repeated courses and failed courses.
- For students earning a second baccalaureate degree, or students with double majors, the surcharge will be applied to all hours that exceed 110 percent of the *minimum* hours required to earn the second degree or double major.

### **Who is exempt from the Tuition Surcharge?**

- The Tuition Surcharge does not apply to students who enrolled as degree-seeking students prior to August 1994.
- The Tuition Surcharge does not apply to students who complete their degree in eight (8) semesters or less of enrollment at all schools, regardless of the number of semester hours earned.

### **What hours are *Included* in the Tuition Surcharge?**

- All credit hours attempted during Fall and Spring semesters (including repeated courses, failed courses, and course withdrawals.)
- All course work transferred to UNC-Asheville from other institutions (see exclusions below).

### **What hours are *Excluded* from the Tuition Surcharge?**

Certain coursework does not apply toward the Tuition Surcharge and those hours are excluded from the total attempted hours for purposes of calculating the surcharge. Hours not subject to the surcharge are:

- College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) credit.
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or similar program.
- Credit earned while enrolled for summer school at one of the UNC system universities.

### **How are students notified of the Tuition Surcharge, and when is it applied to their accounts?**

The tuition surcharge is normally calculated following the end of the drop/add period at the beginning of the Fall and Spring terms. It is not applicable to courses taken in the Summer at UNC system schools. Once the calculations are completed, students being assessed the surcharge are sent a letter from the Registrar, notifying them of the number of hours on which the surcharge will be calculated. The Bursar is notified to add the applicable charges to the student's account, which normally appear within 4 weeks of the start of the semester. The surcharge is only calculated on tuition. Required fees are not included in the assessment.