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# University System of Georgia announces no tuition increase for the 2016-2017 academic year

**FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

ATLANTA (University System of Georgia) — Today, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (USG) announced there will be no tuition increase for the 2016-2017 academic year.

“We carefully assess the tuition rates for our institutions and are committed to keeping college as affordable as possible for students and their families,” said Chairman Kessel Stelling. “As part of our commitment to college affordability, the Board of Regents has decided there will be no tuition increase for all USG institutions for the 2016-2017 academic year.”

Today’s announcement applies to all USG students, and means they will pay the same tuition at all 29 USG institutions for the 2016-2017 academic year as the current 2015-2016 academic year tuition rates for each institution.

“We have heard from students, parents and legislators regarding year-over-year tuition increases citing concerns about the rising costs of a college education in Georgia,” said Chancellor Hank Huckaby. “We recognize and share their concerns about college affordability. Today’s announcement demonstrates we are listening to students, their families and legislators and taking meaningful action.”

The Board’s action ensures the USG will continue to offer some of the lowest tuition rates among peer state public higher education systems. Out of the 16 states that make up the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB), the USG is the seventh lowest in tuition and fees for four-year institutions.

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