



March 10, 2009

Students, Faculty and Staff,

Each year the California Baptist University administration reviews current rates for tuition, fees, housing and board and then recommends rates for the upcoming year to the Board of Trustees. As in previous years, a study was conducted to compare annual tuition, fees, room and board charges at California Baptist University with ten other Christian Colleges and Universities in the Golden State Athletic Conference (using full-time tuition, required fees, shared room and comparable board plans for the fall and spring semesters). During the 2008-2009 academic year, CBU was the second lowest in total cost among these eleven schools (see below).

Westmont College	\$43,250
Biola University	34,124
Azusa Pacific University	33,398
Point Loma University	32,360
Concordia University	31,730
Vanguard University	31,395
Masters College	30,900
Fresno Pacific University	30,750
Hope University	30,075
California Baptist University	28,820
San Diego Christian College	28,520

After careful consideration of factors such as the current state of the economy, tuition and fees of peer colleges and universities, and rising operating costs, the University administration recommended that the Board of Trustees approve increased rates for tuition, fees and room for the 2009-2010 academic year. The increases will help fund the following items:

- Increased institutional aid for traditional undergraduate students
- General housing and maintenance costs
- Equipment and advances in technology
- Increased operational costs

These recommendations have been carefully studied and a great deal of prayer, discussion and work has gone into the ultimate decisions. The University staff and Board of Trustees care deeply for the current student body and those who will join us in the future. Every effort will be made to assist students with financial difficulties to continue to live out their dream of a faith-based education.

March 5, 2009 (cont.)

The following changes were approved by the Board of Trustees and will become effective July 1, 2009:

Tuition

Tuition for traditional undergraduate students will increase from \$805 to \$841 per unit, or \$10,933 per semester for 13-18 units. Tuition for the summer term will increase from \$405 to \$421 per unit. Tuition for Degree Completion students will remain at \$455 per unit. Tuition for graduate students in the Master in Athletic Training, Disability Studies, Education, English, Kinesiology and Music programs will increase to \$464 per unit. Tuition for the Master in Public Administration program will increase to \$475 per unit. Tuition for the Master of Business Administration program will increase to \$535 per unit. Tuition for the Master in Counseling Psychology, Counseling Ministry and Forensic Psychology programs will increase to \$565 per unit. Tuition for the Master in Nursing program will increase to \$560 per unit.

Residence Costs

Single Student Housing rates (including Smith & Simmons Halls, Lancer Arms, University Place, the Cottages, Rose Garden Village and single family homes) will be \$1,980 per semester for a shared occupancy room.

Room deposits will remain at \$300 per person.

Board

Meal plan rates will remain the same at:

Plan L - 5 lunches/week	\$ 630/semester (for commuters only, Mon-Fri)
Plan A - 5 meals/week	\$ 695/semester (for administrative use or commuters only)
Plan S - 7 meals/week	\$ 975/semester (for administrative use or commuters only)
Plan B - 10 meals/week	\$1,395/semester
Plan C - 13 meals/week	\$1,615/semester
Plan D - 16 meals/week	\$1,895/semester
Plan E - 19 meals/week	\$2,105/semester

For a complete list of fees for the 2009-2010 academic year, please visit <http://www.calbaptist.edu/newfees>.

We trust you will understand that in order for CBU to maintain the high standards we have established both in instruction and facilities in recent years, and to continue to improve in these areas for years to come, it is necessary that we address our fee structure realistically. We believe these increases will help CBU remain competitive as a University Committed to the Great Commission.

If you have any questions, you may contact me in person at the Billie and Eugene Yeager Center, by phone at 951.343.4356, or by email at csparkman@calbaptist.edu.