

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO REGULATION**

DATE: November 30, 2023

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: UWF REGULATION 4.002, Waiver of Tuition and Fees

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this amendment is to bring the regulation into alignment with BOG Regulation 7.008, Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees and §1009.26, Florida Statutes

SUMMARY: This regulation has been completely rewritten, with highlights as follows:

- Statutory waivers and exemptions are set forth
- Discretionary waivers and exemptions are set forth
- University of West Florida waivers are set forth
- Parameters for waiver of late fees are set forth

AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE REGULATION: §§ 1009.24, and 1009.26, Florida Statutes; BOG Regulation 7.008, Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

NAME OF UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT: Betsy Bowers, Vice President of Finance and Administration

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. In response, the University may solicit additional written comments, schedule a public hearing, withdraw or modify the proposed regulation amendment in whole or in part after notice, or proceed with adopting the regulation amendment. The comments must identify the regulation(s) on which you are commenting.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATION OR CHALLENGE: Jessica Whittle, Paralegal, Office of the General Counsel at jwhittle@uwf.edu or 850-474-3420 or Office of the General Counsel, Building 10, 11000 University Parkway, Pensacola, Florida 32514.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION: The full text of the proposed amendment to the regulation is attached below this Notice. The full text of the proposed amendment and existing regulation is also posted on UWF's website: <https://uwf.edu/offices/board-of-trustees/regulations/>



Number: UWF/REG-4.002
Title: Waiver of Tuition and Fees
Responsible
Department: Controller's Office

I. General Statement:

- ~~A. The University will waive tuition and fees as required in Section 1009.26, F.S.~~
- ~~B. The University will waive the tuition and mandatory fees for Florida residents 60 years of age or older under the conditions set forth in Section 1009.26, F.S.~~
- ~~C. The University will waive the out of state per credit hour fees for qualified students from Alabama, and instead, charge the Alabama Differential out of state fee.~~
- ~~D. The University will, upon appeal of the student, waive the late registration, late payment and/or reinstatement fee when the University determines:
 - ~~1. The University is primarily responsible for the delinquency, or~~
 - ~~2. Extraordinary circumstances beyond the control of the student prevented registration or the payment of fees.~~~~
- ~~E. The President of the University or designee is authorized to waive tuition, out of state fees and associated fees, for purposes which support and enhance the mission of the University. With the exception of waivers provided to individuals as a result of extenuating circumstances, all such waivers shall be reported by the President or designee to the Board of Trustees at the time of implementation.~~

~~Pursuant to Section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, and Florida Board of Governors ("BOG") Regulation 7.008, Waiver and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees, the University of West Florida (the "University") is authorized to waive tuition, non-resident tuition, and associated fees for purposes that support and enhance the mission of the University. The University shall report the purpose, number, authority, and value of all fee waiver sand exemptions granted annually in a format prescribed by the BOG.~~

II. Statutory Waivers and Exemptions

As set forth in detail in Section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, and BOG Regulation 7.008, Waiver and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees, the following tuition and fee exemptions are considered mandatory for the following categories:

- A. A child or spouse of a Deceased Law Enforcement Officer;
- B. A child or spouse of a Deceased Firefighter;
- C. A child or spouse of a Deceased Emergency Medical Technician or Paramedic;
- D. A child of a Deceased Teacher or School Administrator;
- E. A child or spouse of a Deceased Active Duty Member of the United States Armed Forces;
- F. Wrongfully incarcerated persons;
- G. Students in Dual Enrollment or Early Admissions Programs (accelerated students who are earning credit for both a high school diploma and an associate or baccalaureate degree or are in dual enrollment or early admission programs);
- H. Florida Department of Children and Families eligible students;
- I. Homeless Children and Youths;
- J. Child Protection and Child Welfare Personnel;
- K. School Psychology Training Program graduate student interns;
- L. Purple Heart Recipients and other superior combat decoration recipients;
- M. Undocumented students for federal immigration purposes;
- N. Honorably discharged Veterans of the armed services, reserves, and national guard;
- O. Active Duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces;
- P. Veterans, Active Duty, Spouses and Dependents (transcript fee);
- Q. Disabled Veterans;
- R. Eligible students in the State University System Online Free Seat program;
- S. Eligible students in Programs of Strategic Emphasis;
- T. Eligible students in the Resident Grandparent program;
- U. Eligible students in the Welfare Transition program;
- V. State Employees; and
- W. Eligible students in an approved Apprenticeship Program.

III. Discretionary Waivers and Exemptions

The following tuition and fee exemptions and waivers are authorized by the BOG and may be granted at the discretion of the University consistent with Section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, and BOG Regulation 7.008, Waiver and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees. Not all discretionary waivers are honored by the University. Refer to <https://uwf.edu/tuitionwaivers> for additional information.

- A. Eligible students in the Florida Linkage institutes;
- B. Students eligible for the Florida public assistance grant;
- C. Eligible Intern Supervisors;
- D. University Employees;
- E. Florida Residents 60 years of age or older;
- F. Full-time Public-School Classroom Teachers;
- G. Participants in Sponsored Credit Courses and Programs;
- H. Non-degree seeking non-resident students;

- I. Eligible students for an admissions deposit waiver; and
- J. Intercollegiate Student Athletes receiving athletic scholarships.

IV. University of West Florida Waivers

Pursuant to the authority of the Board of Trustees, the following waivers are also available to students that meet specific eligibility requirements:

- A. Graduate Assistants;
- B. Online Program Waivers; and
- C. Intercollegiate Student Athletes assessed the out-of-state fee.

V. Late Fees

The University will, upon appeal of the student, waive the late registration, late payment, and reinstatement fee when the University determines:

- A. The University is primarily responsible for the delinquency; or
- B. Extraordinary circumstances beyond the control of the student prevented registration or the payment of fees.

Effective Date: [date]

Authority: §§ 1009.24, and 1009.26, Fla. Stat.
BOG Regulation 7.008, Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

History: Adopted as Rule 6C6.4.02 December 1980 and amended November 2003, August 2004, and July 2005; converted to UWF/REG 4.002 July 2005 and amended August 2006, August 2009, and [date]

Last review: [date]