QUEENS COLLEGE - ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FEES

RESOLVED, That the City University of New York adopt a schedule of academic excellence fees for students in the following graduate level programs at Queens College, effective with the Spring 2016 semester.

Aaron Copland School of Music,
- MM, MA, MS degrees
- Advanced Certificate Programs in Music Performance
- Music Education
  Proposed fees:
  $150 per semester for students enrolled in 1 – 5 credits
  $300 per semester for students enrolled in 6 or more credits

Department of Economics
- MS in Risk Management
  Proposed fees:
  $500 per student per academic semester (assessed in the fall and spring semesters)

Department of Linguistics and Communication Disorders
- MA in Applied Linguistics
- MS in Education: TESOL
- Post-Masters Advanced Certificate in TESOL
- Advanced Certificate in English Language Teaching
- Post-Masters Program in TESOL and Bilingual Education
- MA in Speech-Language Pathology
  Proposed fees:
  MA in Speech Language Pathology: $500 per semester for full-time and part-time students
  All other programs: $25 per credit (for LCD-labeled classes only) for full-time and part-time students

Department of Psychology
- Advanced Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis
  Proposed fees:
  $150 per semester for full and part time students.

Department of Sociology
- MA in Data Analytics and Applied Social Research Master’s program
  Proposed fees:
  Full-time and part-time students: $50 per graduate credit hour, up to a maximum of $1,500 per student
EXPLANATION: The academic excellence fees would enhance teaching and advising, by funding tutors to help students with courses, and in particular for the analytics courses, to assist with programming and computer issues. Fees would fund advising by program alumni or current faculty, for internships and special projects, as well as general mentoring. The fees would also fund faculty outreach to employers to develop internships and cultivate relationships, to make contacts and arrange for visits on and off campus, and would also fund cultivation of our alumni community to keep them actively involved with the program. Finally, the fees would fund students to go to conferences to present their work or to network. The Academic Excellence Fee will enable us to enlarge and sustain these program features that increase the value of our graduate programs and help us launch our students into promising careers.

Revenue from the proposed fees will be returned directly to the respective programs. The selected programs will remain very affordable in comparison to other programs in the metropolitan area, and enrollment should increase due to additional focused recruiting efforts. The College will continue to administer financial aid to assist students with the completion of their studies. For each of these programs, the respective department has indicated that the additional revenue will lead to vital enhancements in the program offerings and services, as described below: