

CENTRAL OFFICE – DISCONTINUATION OF THE UNIVERSITY’S ACCELERATED STUDY FEE

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York authorize the discontinuation of the University’s Accelerated Study Fee.

EXPLANATION: The Board of Trustees, at its January 27, 1992 meeting, approved a fee structure for accelerated study effective with the Spring, 1992 semester. The fee applies to all undergraduate degree students (and Law students) excluding non-residents, registered for credits beyond the established college limits of 18 credits per semester, except in programs where more than 18 credits are currently part of a semester's regular course of study, or with the approval of the President during the semester in which a student is about to graduate. The college must notify the Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance regarding those programs where more than 18 credits are part of the semester's regular course load. In those cases involving presidential approval for graduating students, the college must establish a formal waiver process and disseminate the information to students. This fee does not apply to non-degree students, as well as undergraduate non-residents, who pay on a per credit basis regardless of the number of credits for which they register. The fee (depending upon the numbers of credits in excess of 18) varies from \$100 to \$690.

The application of this fee has been an increasing administrative burden over the years. It continues to place greater responsibility for an academic counseling matter on fiscal administrators by applying a fee for taking additional courses which disadvantages many students with limited financial resources. The application of this fee results in a minimal amount of revenue University-wide.

Discontinuation of the fee also has the support of the University’s Office of Academic Affairs.