

Hunter College, School of Education - Academic Excellence Fee for Graduate Programs:

RESOLVED, that The City University of New York adopt a schedule of academic excellence fees for students in certain graduate programs in the School of Education at Hunter College, specifically those programs which prepare candidates for initial certification in general and special education, across Adolescent, Childhood, and Early Childhood levels and the K-12 certification areas of Creative Arts Education and TESOL, as well as School Counseling and Mental Health Counseling, effective with the Spring 2016 semester and as detailed below:

Masters of Arts, Masters of Science, and Advanced Certificates in Education in the categories of:

- **General Education across Adolescent, Childhood, and Early Childhood levels**
- **Special Education across Adolescent, Childhood, and Early Childhood levels**
- **Creative Arts Education and TESOL across K-12 levels**
- **School Counseling and Mental Health Counseling**

Resident Full-time students: \$50 per credit
Resident Part-time students: \$50 per credit
Non-Resident students: \$50 per credit

EXPLANATION: The Hunter College School of Education offers programs in teacher preparation and counseling at the graduate level that lead to master's degrees or advanced certificates. These programs are nationally recognized for their outstanding quality, as well as selectivity, and are consistently viewed as among the best in their fields in the New York area. They are accredited by the specialized program associations in their respective fields, and are highly competitive programs in which to gain admissions. Hunter's nearest competitors are the Steinhardt School at NYU and Teachers College of Columbia University, both of which have much higher tuitions. Additionally, New York State has recently implemented the most stringent teacher certification requirements in the country. The initial implementation of this academic excellence fee will include Initial Teacher Preparation Programs and Counseling Programs.

This academic excellence fee will allow Hunter to provide the quality of support for our clinically rich programs that we know is essential to success. We will add needed full-time clinical/field staff that can supervise and consult with our students in the schools and agencies where we place them, integrating the delivery of critical knowledge and skills in the environment where they are practiced. We will expand curricular initiatives and access to technology so that students can practice and improve their professional skills, including those required for certification, which will ensure our graduates are prepared with the latest tools for effective teaching or counseling in their careers. With an academic excellence fee, students will continue to receive a Hunter education that is of exceptional quality, but it will be an education that is greatly enhanced in and out of the classroom – and still be financially affordable relative to other comparable programs in New York City.