

RESOLUTION ON REESTABLISHING A TUITION PLATEAU OR CAP

WHEREAS elimination of the tuition plateau has discouraged some students from taking more than 12 credits per term, thereby prolonging the length of time it takes them to graduate;

WHEREAS taking at least 15 credits per term would allow students to finish their degrees in four years, as recently mandated by the governor and the Oregon University System;

WHEREAS establishing a tuition plateau between 12 and 15 credits (whereby students would be able to take 13-15 credits for the price of 12) or a tuition cap at 15 credits (allowing students to take 16 or more credits for the price of 15) would encourage students to take at least 15 credits per term;

WHEREAS reestablishing a tuition plateau or cap as indicated above would indicate EOU's commitment to helping students take the courses they need to finish their degrees in a timely manner;

WHEREAS reestablishing a tuition plateau or cap would help restore EOU's competitiveness in attracting students, would enhance recruitment and retention efforts, and would support access to higher education for our Oregon students;

WHEREAS the reestablishment of the tuition plateau or cap would also energize faculty advising and student recruitment efforts, which in turn would increase the enrollment of on-campus students;

WHEREAS the step of reestablishing a tuition plateau or cap would send the message that we expect the highest performance and effort from our students;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Eastern Oregon University shall reestablish a tuition plateau between 12 and 15 credits or establish a tuition cap at 15 credits.