

MEMORIAL TO THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Initiated by the Davis Division of the Academic Senate; Amendment by UC Berkeley

RECITALS:

1. University of California research and development activities are important economic, intellectual, social, cultural and educational drivers for the State of California.
2. The ability to recruit the best graduate students from around-the-world is critical to the academic and research excellence of the University of California.
3. Large numbers of non-resident graduate students finish their degrees and remain in California to start or become leaders in high-technology, bio-technology, and other businesses that contribute substantially to the California economy. Many also remain in California as the next generation of research scholars.
4. California's competition in the global marketplace requires that we compete successfully for the best graduate students from around the world.
5. Non-resident tuition is a serious impediment to recruitment of graduate students from outside of the State of California, and, most particularly, graduate students from outside of the United States.
6. Non-resident tuition charged to academic graduate students (those students with terminal academic degree educational goals such as Ph.D. and M.F.A programs) is typically not paid by the student but is charged to faculty grants and other university resources. Thus, charging non-resident tuition to academic graduate students is a shift of university funds depleting resources that may be used for other purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Academic Senate of the University of California requests that the Regents of the University of California structure and advocate a budget for the University that eliminates non-resident tuition for academic graduate students after their first academic year.