USHE Tuition and Fees Adjustment Hearings and Affordability Task Force

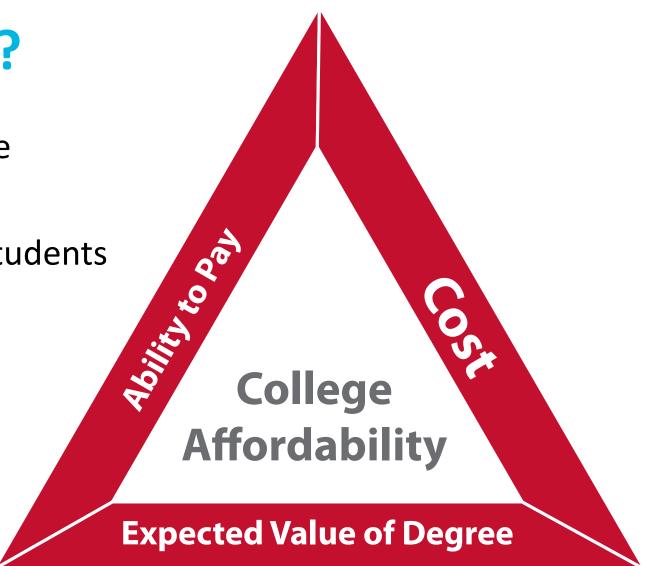
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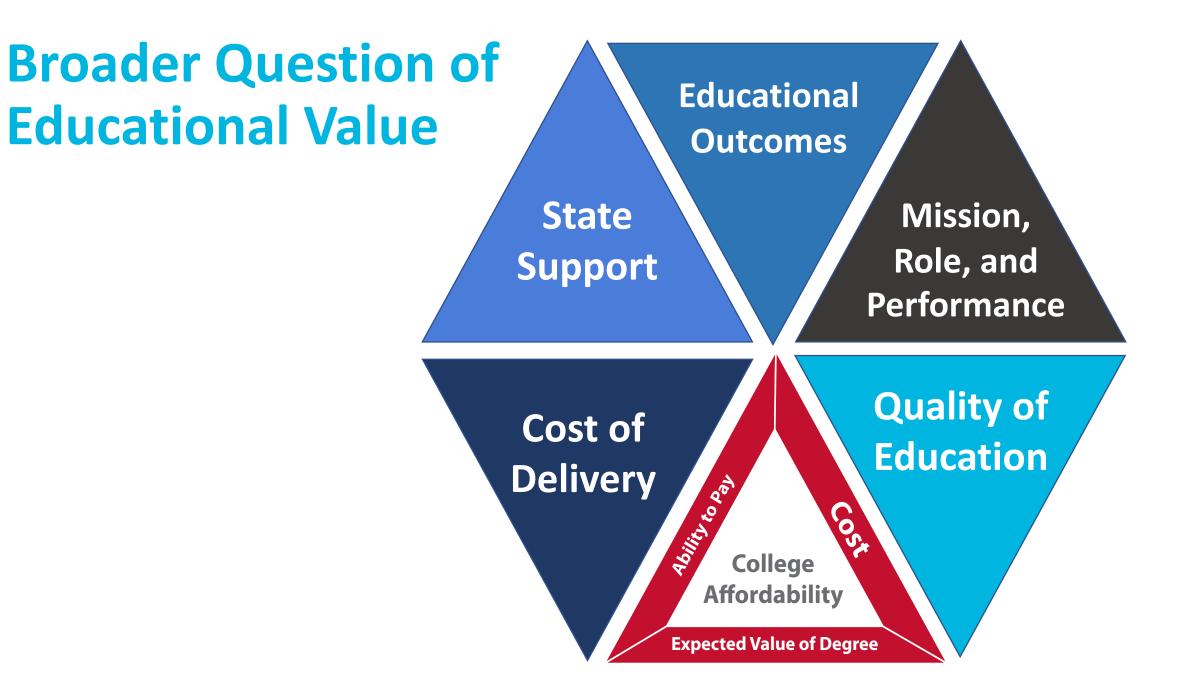


Affordability Task Force

What is Affordability?

- Question asked of the Task Force
- A very INDIVIDUAL answer for students
- Lumina "Rule of Ten"
- Kem C. Gardner Institute Work commissioned by Regents (presented January 2020)



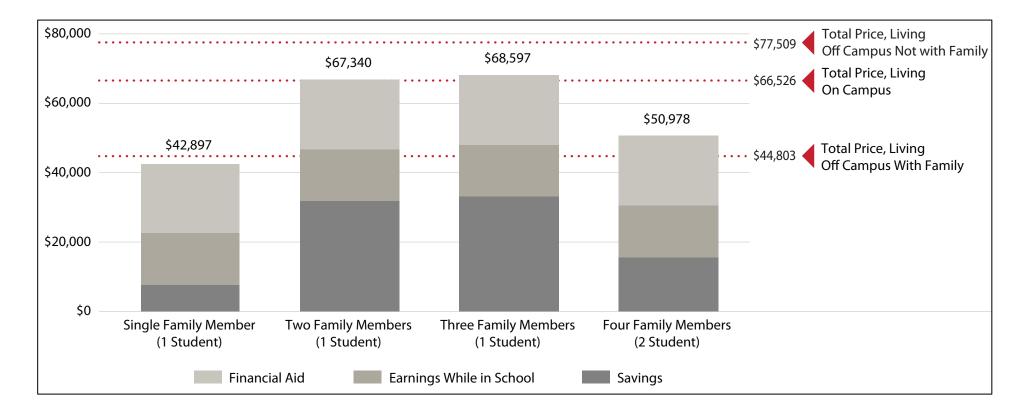


"Rule of 10" – Lumina Foundation

- Alternative to Federal Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)
- Students should pay no more for college than:
 - Saving **10**% of discretionary income for **10** years
 - Discretionary income = income at 200% of Poverty
 - Household of 1: Poverty = \$12,490; 200% = \$24,980
 - Household of 2: Poverty = \$16,910; 200% = \$33,820
 - Household of 4: Poverty = \$25,750; 200% = \$51,500
 - Household of 6: Poverty = \$34,590; 200% = \$69,180
 - Working **10** hours per week
 - Available financial aid (federal, state, institution)



Gardner "Unmet Need" Calculation – Modified "Rule of 10"



Proposed Task Force Definition of Affordability

Affordability is the ability of a *traditional full-time* Utah student from a family of four to cover the cost of attendance at a USHE institution while living at home with financial aid, reasonable family savings, and the student contributing ten hours of weekly work earnings

Affordability Model Factors Based on Gardner/Lumina

1. Cost of attendance

- Tuition and fees, books, supplies, transportation
- Living with family or off-campus

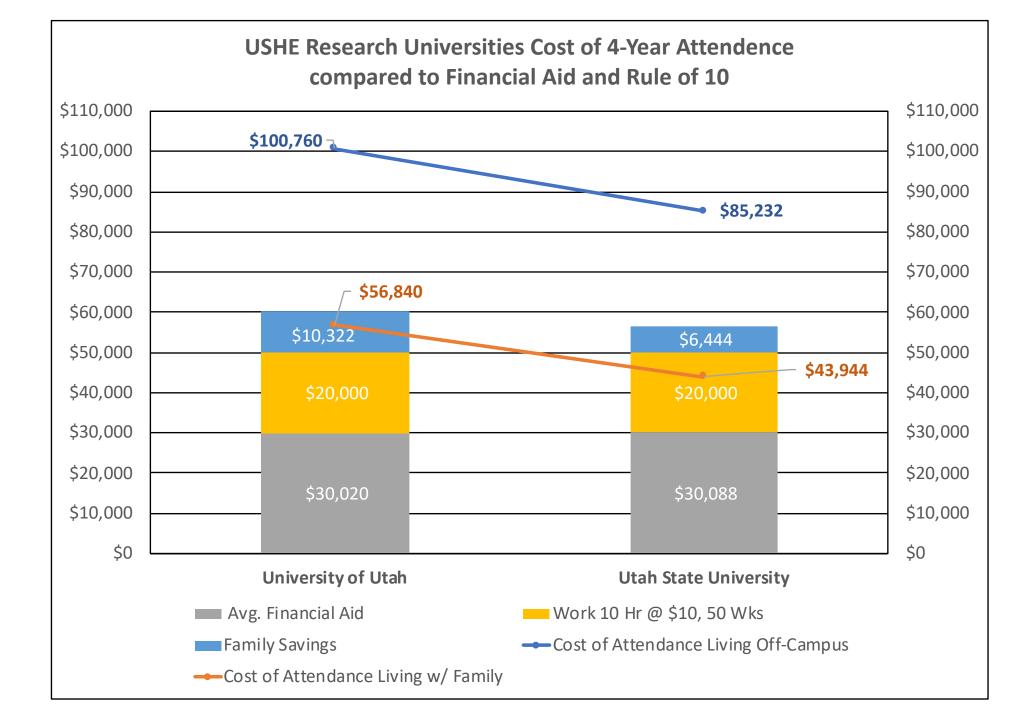
2. Student ability to pay

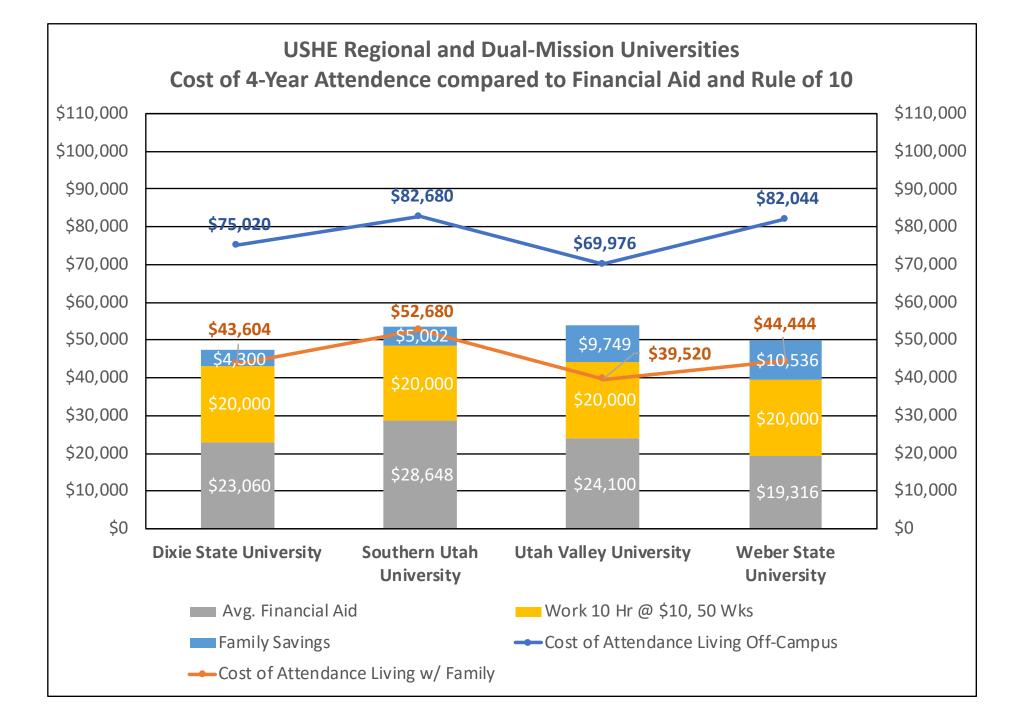
- Student aid (federal, state, institution)
- Family savings or contribution
 - Family circumstances, income level, and size
- Work contribution

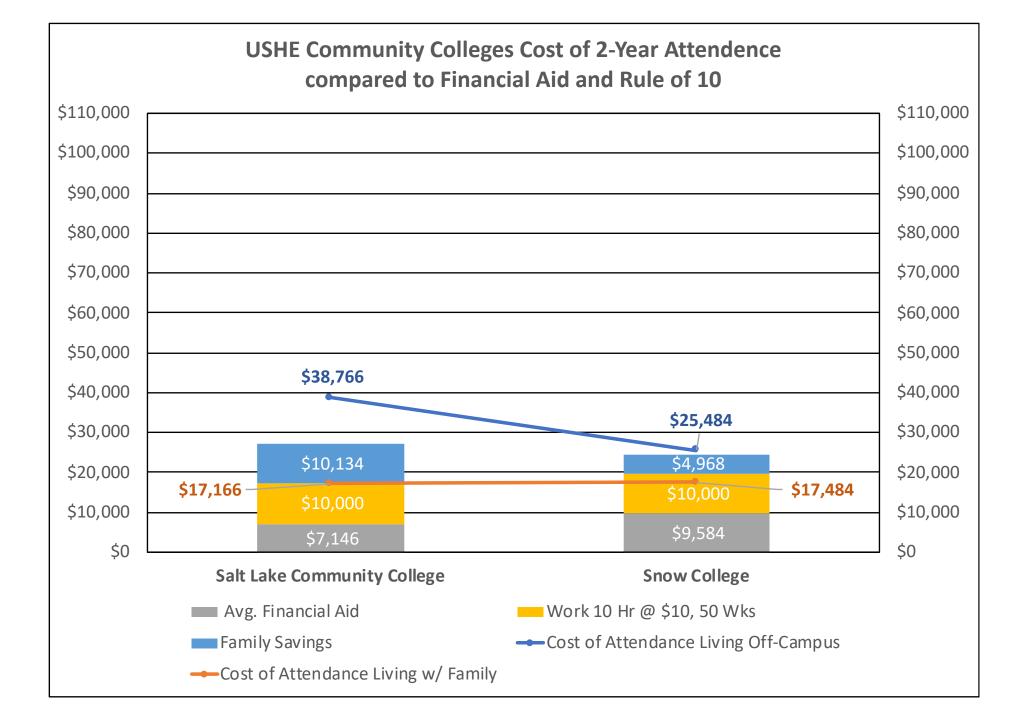
Other factors

- Non-traditional, part-time, or head of household
- Traditional 4-year timeframe versus 6+ years
- Concurrent Enrollment and transfer credit



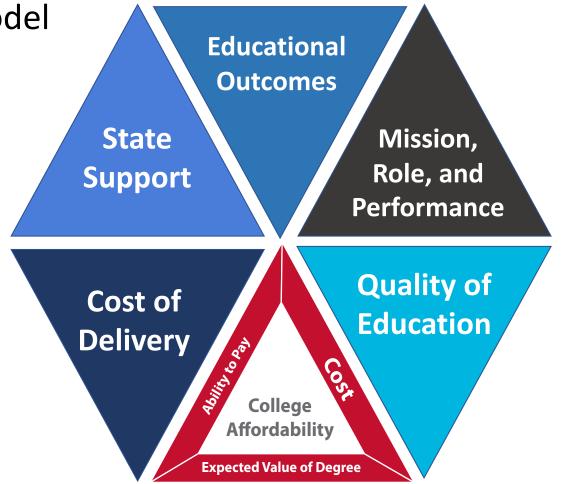






Broader Question of Educational Value

- Continue work on the Affordability Model
 - Incorporate non-traditional students
 - Include UTECH
 - Compare with peer institutions
 - Use data to explore individual situations
- Explore Educational Value
 - Educational quality and outcomes
 - Cost efficiency and service delivery
 - Performance goals and attainment



Recommendation

1. Adopt a working definition of affordability for 2020-21 tuition:

"Affordability is the ability of a *traditional full-time* Utah student from a family of four to cover the cost of attendance at a USHE institution while living at home with financial aid, reasonable family savings, and the student contributing ten hours of weekly work earnings"

1. Continue the work of the Task Force with the new Board

2020-21 USHE Tuition and Fees

FY 2021 Regent Budget Guidelines – August 2019

"USHE Institutions shall submit institutional needs to be funded with performance funding and tuition increases."

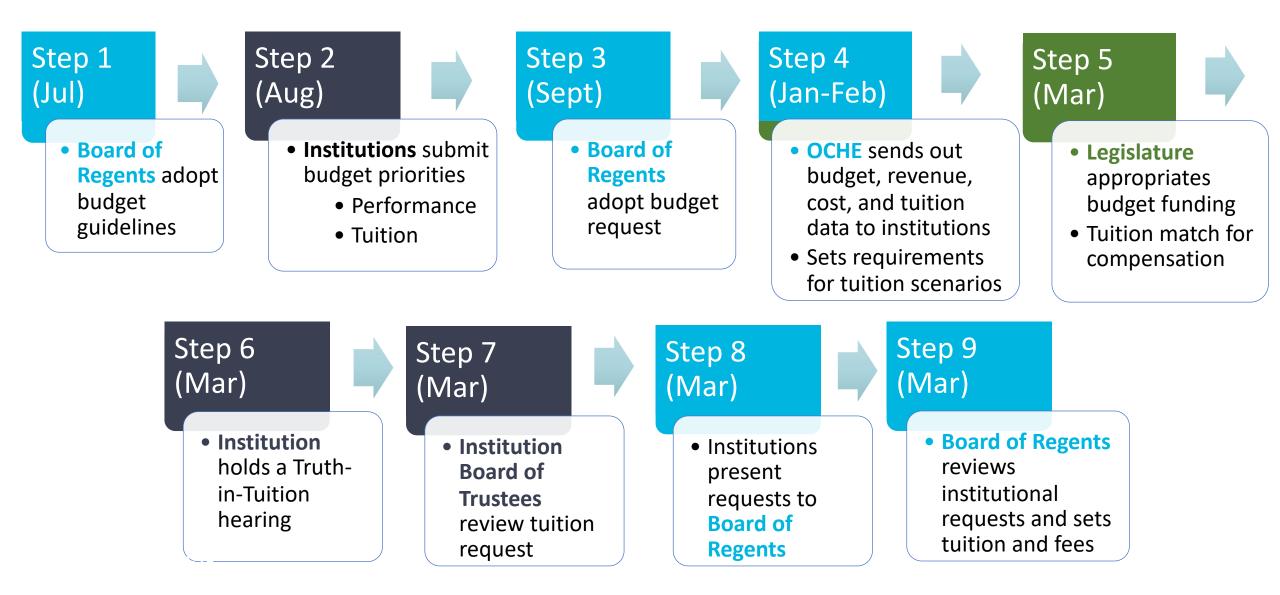
"To continue to support student affordability efforts, tuition increases approved in the spring of 2020 will be kept at a minimum and will only be considered for institutional priorities and compensation matches not funded by the state legislature and deemed necessary for institutional operation."

Changes made in March 2019

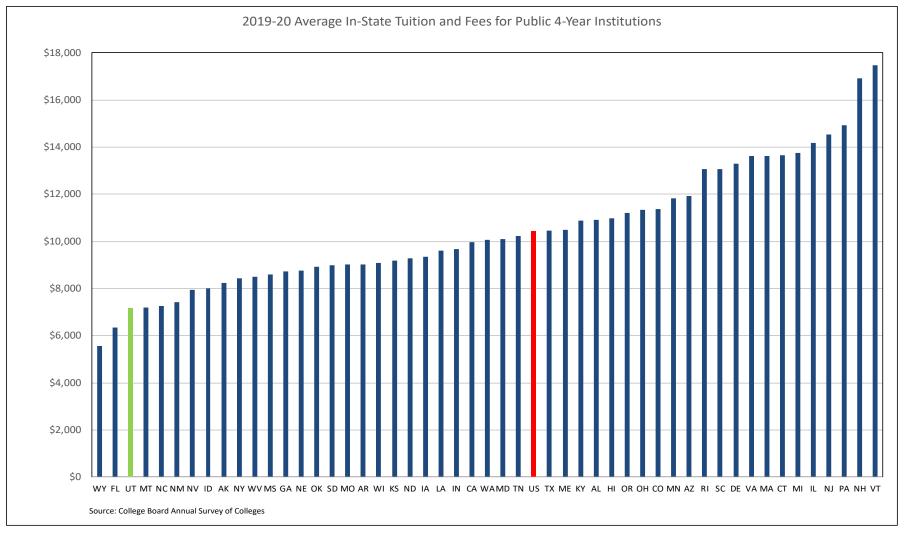
- Discontinued uniform first-tier + institution secondtier tuition structure
- Institution-specific tuition rate approach
- Required additional detail from institutions including:
 - A detailed list of uses for tuition revenue
 - Documented support from students and Trustees
 - Anticipated impact on student access, retention, and completion rates
 - Dollar and percentage adjustment being requested
- Institutions' use of tuition dollars will be subject to spot audits
- Board tuition approval includes student fees (not specific course fees)



USHE Tuition and Fee Setting Process

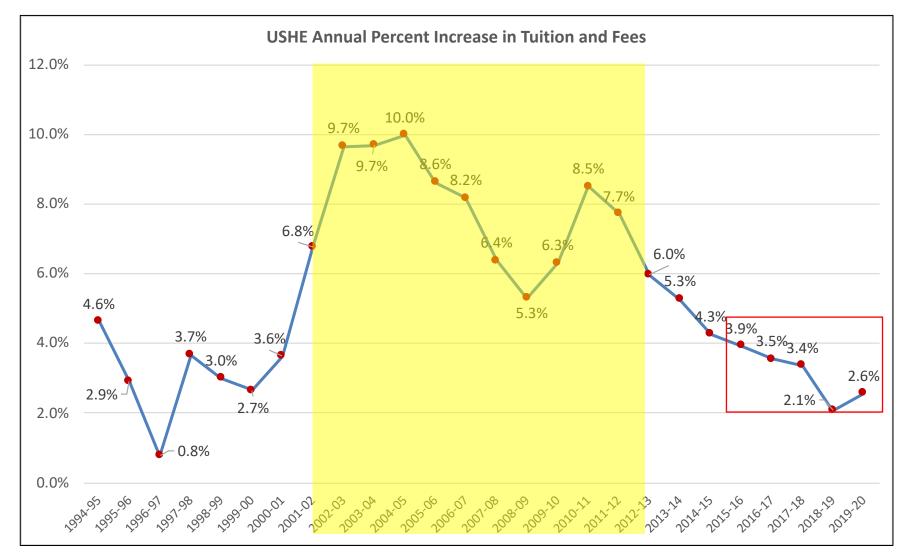


National Tuition and Fees



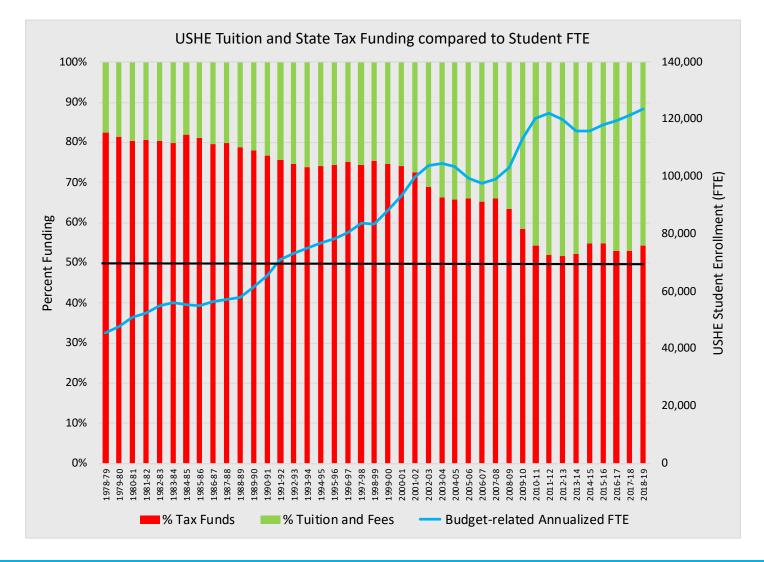
*Excludes differential tuition and course fees

Historical USHE Tuition and Fee Increases



The last 5 years have seen tuition increases of less than 4% per year

State Tax Funds, Tuition, and Enrollment



FY 2020-21 USHE Funding from Legislature

USHE Received \$95.3	million ir	n new o	ongoing 2020-2	1 funding

Compensation and ISF (75%/25%)	\$33.7 million
Performance Funding	\$29.5 million
Other Legislative Funding	\$32.1 million

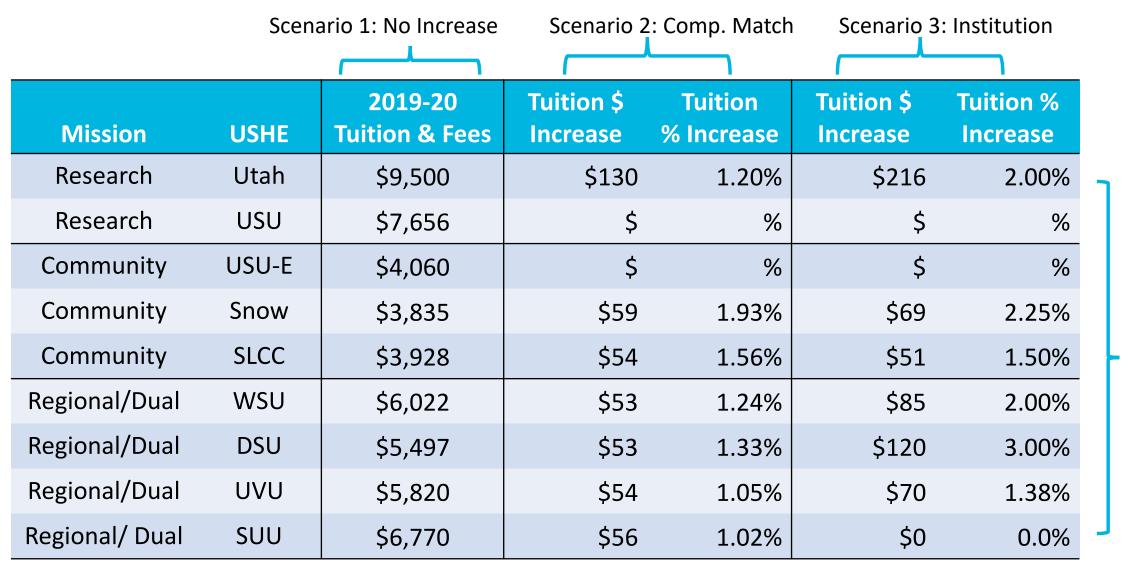


25%

2.5% salary, 4.5% health, and ISF

\$10.5 million 1.2% Tuition Increase

USHE FY 2020-21 Tuition Requests



Overall USHE Request **1.5%**

USHE FY 2020-21 Student Fee Requests

USHE	2019-20 Student Fees	2020-21 Proposed Fees	Note
Utah	\$1,247	\$1,247	Elimination of 1 fee to fund 2 new fees; net zero
USU	\$	\$	
USU-E	\$	\$	
Snow	\$426	\$426	No adjustment to fees
SLCC	\$492	\$501	Reduction of 5 fees; increase in 5
WSU	\$996	\$1,016	Reduction of 4 fees; increase in 7
DSU	\$816	\$840	Increase in 6 fees
UVU	\$698	\$714	Increase in 3 fees
SUU	\$763	\$763	No adjustment to fees

Truth-in-Tuition Hearings & Public Review

USHE institutions must hold public "Truth-in-Tuition" meetings with students to explain the institution's tuition proposal and rationale. (UCA53B-7-101.5)

	Truth-in- Tuition Hearing	Board of Trustee Review
Utah	March 17	March 10
USU	March 11	March 13
WSU	February 24	March 18
SUU	March 10	March 25
DSU	March 13	March 13
UVU	March 5	March 12
Snow	March 11	March 18
SLCC	March 2	March 4

Institutional Tuition Presentations

- 1. A 5-year history of institutional tuition and fee adjustments in both dollars and percent
- 2. Current (2019-20) institutional tuition and fee comparison with peer institutions
- 3. Tuition and fee requests for 2020-21 shown in both dollars and percentage
- 4. The date and outcome of Truth-in-Tuition hearings and Board of Trustee action
- 5. Detail of how the institution plans to use the additional tuition and fee revenue including:
 - a. How much (in dollars and %) is needed to meet Legislative funding matches (i.e. compensation and ISF)
 - b. How much (in dollars and %) is requested for faculty promotion and tenure adjustments
 - c. How much (in dollars and %) is requested for other operating needs including specific detail of those needs
- 6. The anticipated impact of the proposed tuition and fee adjustments on student access
- 7. The anticipated impact of the proposed tuition and fee adjustments on retention
- 8. The anticipated impact of the proposed tuition and fee adjustments on completion rates
- 9. Rationale and justification for why the tuition and fee adjustments are necessary
- 10. Detailed description of the institution's efforts to fund the proposed uses within existing resources or institutional efficiencies



