

University of Kansas Four-Year Tuition Compact

Summary Bullet Points

- The University of Kansas Four-Year Tuition Compact is unique in its degree of providing students and their families **education cost certainty**. For first-time, degree-seeking students entering KU in the Fall 2007 Freshman class, and for the next 48 months, undergraduate resident tuition will be \$213 per credit hour, and undergraduate nonresident tuition will be \$560 per credit hour – period.
- Cost components associated with earning a degree at KU:
 1. Tuition: the basic per-credit-hour charge for courses; known as Compact Tuition for first-time freshmen and Standard Tuition for all other students
 2. Course Fees: additional, per-credit-hour charges by academic programs to recover associated academic instructional costs
 3. Required Campus Fees: fees approved by students to support services and programs on campus
 4. Housing: on-campus room and board
 5. Other: books, transportation and personal expenses

The actual cost of the first four components will be known for first-time freshmen entering KU the Fall 2007. Four-year tuition and course fees (and eventually campus fees) will be established when freshmen enroll at KU under subsequent Tuition Compacts.

- Because the Compact is so inclusive, students from Kansas in the Fall 2007 KU Freshman class will know approximately 80 percent of what their KU bachelor's degree is going to cost before they take their first class.
- The utility of the Compact in helping students and their families make sound college financial planning decisions is unparalleled in higher education today.
- The fixed, four-year schedule of Course Fees, established through the Four-Year Tuition Compact, will give **all** KU students a greater degree of education cost certainty.

A fixed, four-year schedule of Required Campus Fees and two-year guaranteed room and board rates also would benefit **all** KU students.

- The Four-Year Tuition Compact is **not** the creation of University administration. The Compact is the outcome of a specific, focused, **student-driven initiative** to give students and their parents a clearer picture of the full cost of a KU undergraduate education.
- If this forward-looking Tuition Compact is approved, in four years **all** of KU's degree-seeking undergraduates who begin their academic careers at KU will be working towards a degree under a comprehensive Tuition Compact.