

New Technology Fee - Lawrence and Edwards Campuses

Beginning fall 2010, the University is proposing a new Technology Fee of \$10 per credit hour for certain students enrolling at the Lawrence and Edwards Campuses. The purpose of the Technology Fee is to support and enhance a wide range of student-focused technology operations. The new fee would **not** be paid by students who currently are on Compact Tuition: only incoming KU freshmen and students paying Standard Tuition rates on the Lawrence and Edwards Campuses would pay this fee. Future cohorts of Tuition Compact students also would pay the Technology Fee.

Rapid technology change requires appropriate response and upgrading of technology resources. In the current fiscal climate, the State of Kansas is not in a position to help fund KU's student-related technology needs. Thus, KU students are being called upon to help meet some of the University's greatest technology needs. In proposing this fee, KU has kept its word to not increase education costs for those students currently under the Tuition Compact. Forty-five percent of KU undergraduate students will not be paying this fee. Based on fall 2010 enrollment projections, the fee will generate an estimated \$3.9 million to help address the following technology enterprises:

1. Wireless update and expansion
2. Classroom technology standardization and technology enhancements
3. Distance learning
4. Public computing enhancements
5. Student retention technologies
6. Unified communications