

University administrators try to halt increasing fees

Depending on their major, students pay school and department fees ranging from \$30 to \$3,125

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News Reporter

To take the edge off rising tuition, University administrators are attempting to save students money by curtailing the costs of the miscellaneous fees students must pay.

The University administration has relayed to various departments that student fee increases are to be avoided or increased only as much as necessary, Vice President for Student Affairs Anne Leavitt and Associate Vice President of Budget and Finance Frances Dyke said.

"We've told people they need to be very cognizant of the pressures on students," Dyke said.

Student fees pay for everything from

transcripts to overdue library books to physical education classes, and they help the University pay for costs not covered by other revenue sources.

If certain schools or departments want their fee increased, the dean of the

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school makes a request to the University administration.

"There will be some fees that we'll have to raise," Leavitt said. "We're looking at all these proposals pretty carefully."

Many students pay a fee every term simply to continue their major. Students pay fees

ranging from \$30 to if they are studying architecture, science, multimedia design, journalism, business, landscape architecture, computer science, music or education. Law students pay a \$3,125 fee, master's students in business pay a \$550 fee and undeclared students pay a \$40 fee.

The College of Arts and Sciences — which includes popular programs such as psychology, political science and Spanish — requires its students to pay \$40.

Sophomore Brandon Packman was less than thrilled about the \$50 fee he pays each term for being a pre-business major.

"It's B.S.," he said. "What \$50 gets me is a lot of junk e-mails."

However, second-year architecture major Robert Stroup said the \$50 he pays each term is a drop in the bucket.

"Fifty dollars is like two cents for me," Stroup said, adding that he spends between \$500 and \$1,000 each term on architecture supplies. "So \$50 really isn't anything."

Contact the campus/federal politics reporter at chuckslothower@dailymerald.com.

SAMPLING OF 2003-04 STUDENT FEES BY MAJOR

- Arts and Sciences (including undeclared): \$40
- Science additional fee (except for Computer Science and Math-CIS): \$30
- Architecture: \$50
- Landscape Architecture: \$50
- Multimedia Design: \$50
- Computer Science and Math-CIS: \$125
- Journalism (includes pre-majors): \$75
- Business: \$125 (undergraduate), \$550 (master's students), \$50 (pre-majors)
- Music: \$75
- Law: \$3,125
- Education: \$50

SOURCE: The Office of the Registrar's Web site



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Bryan Duggan (left) makes a point to buy meat at the Wild Oats Natural Marketplace because he says the market's processors use less packaging and additives. Some consumers have cut back on purchasing beef products because of the mad cow scare.

MAD COW

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As of Dec. 1, 143 vCJD cases had occurred in the United Kingdom out of a worldwide total of 153 cases. The CDC disclosed that one of these cases occurred in the United States but that the patient lived in the United Kingdom before moving to America.

Forrester said that anyone with concerns about eating beef should

contact the CDC or the Oregon Department of Agriculture. She added that if anyone is concerned about their specific beef, they should contact the store where it was purchased.

University senior and business administration major Gillian Ronning expressed some concern about the discovery of mad cow disease in the United States.

Ronning said that she recently left her vegetarian lifestyle behind and found out about the mad cow scare

the day after eating her first steak. She said concerns crossed her mind, but she stopped thinking about it that same day.

"I think the chances of getting infected are small, but it is still something I would think about before buying beef," Ronning said.

Contact the crime/health/safety reporter at lisacatto@dailymerald.com.

CRIME WATCH

Thefts and recoveries

The Department of Public Safety received two reports of larceny: one stolen television from H.P. Barnhart Hall and one theft from Cascade Annex East. DPS impounded seven bikes and one wheel: two bikes and a wheel from the bike racks south of the open tennis courts and five bikes from the bike racks east of McClure Hall in Earl Complex. DPS also received a report of a recovered vehicle at Beech Street and East 13th Avenue.

Disorderly conduct

DPS received two reports of disorderly conduct, two reports of Eugene Municipal Code infractions for urinating in public and three reports of suspicious conditions. DPS reported two suspicious subjects: one at the Knight Law Center and the other at the Bean East Courtyard in Bean Complex. DPS also received one report of vandalism at

H.P. Barnhart Hall and two reports of reckless endangerment.

Monday, Jan. 5, 10:34 p.m.: DPS received a report of subjects throwing snowballs at windows in Walton Complex.

Monday, Jan. 5, 10:54 p.m.: An officer reported a vehicle pulling people down the street on inner tubes at Alder Street and East 14th Avenue.

Miscellaneous

DPS received one miscellaneous report of a vehicle accident, one emergency call report, two alarm reports and one request for a bike lock to be cut at H.P. Barnhart Hall. DPS received three requests for vehicle tows from reserved spots: one from the Pacific Hall parking lot, one from the University Health Center staff parking lot and one from Spencer View Apartments. DPS also reported five instances of unlawful entry of a motor vehicle.

CAMPUS BUZZ

Wednesday

Amnesty International meeting, 7 p.m.-8 p.m., EMU Rogue Room.
American Advertising Federation meeting, 5 p.m.-7 p.m., 310 Villard Hall.
EMU Full Board meeting, 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m., EMU Board Room.

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