



# UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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## **SA1718-027: Resolution Requesting Informative Statement about the \$75 Administrative Services Fee**

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WHEREAS; The University of Wisconsin – La Crosse charges a \$75 administrative services fee to undergraduate students who had not paid their student bill in full by the established due date of the tenth day of classes.

WHEREAS; 1,602 undergraduate degree seeking students were charged the \$75 administrative services fee for the Fall semester of 2017. This is 17.1% of the entire undergraduate student population (9,397).

WHEREAS; 25.9% of US students of color were charged the fee (226 of 874).

WHEREAS; 20.3% of first-generation students were charged the fee (632 of 3,118).

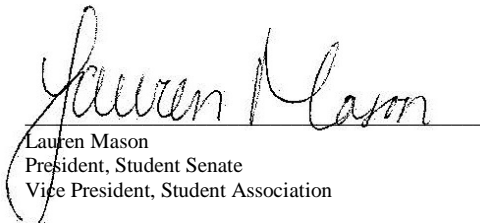
WHEREAS; 19.6% of Pell Grant recipients were charged the fee (374 of 1,913).

WHEREAS; 21.4% of students who received \$0-\$9000 in Expected Family Contributions (EFC) were charged this fee (609 of 2,850).

WHEREAS; 8 % of graduate degree seeking students were charged the fee (68 of 771).

WHEREAS; The University of Wisconsin – La Crosse Office of Institutional Research Assessment and Planning analyzed the demographics of undergraduate students whom were charged the administrative services fee and found that the fee disproportionately impacted US students of color, first-generation students, Pell Grant recipients, and low-income students.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; The University of Wisconsin – La Crosse Student Association requests that the university administration sends out a campus-wide email each semester stating: the reasoning behind the fee being set at \$75, what the university

  
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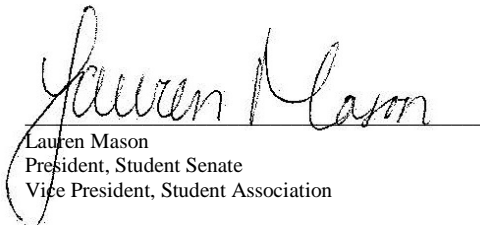


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intends to use that money for, the full list of exemption and waiver qualifications, and information on how to obtain loans to pay the student bill.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; The UW-L Student Association also requests that the university administration implements a notification system on D2L, Canvas, and Wings, or whatever user interface that applies. The notification will inform the student that there is an unpaid student bill and that on the tenth day of classes, if the bill is not paid in full, they will be charged the \$75 fee. The system will notify the student three times taking into consideration the separate due dates for registration and payment of fees for students enrolled exclusively in an off-campus or late-starting credit course: 2 weeks before, 1 week before, and a day before.

  
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