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Tuition for students entering graduate school in education in 2008 at the University of Dayton will be frozen for three years.

Tuition for incoming students for the 2008-2009 year will increase 6.3 percent, for a total of $462 per semester credit hour, but tuition will remain at that amount for three years, said Thomas J. Lasley II, dean of the School of Education and Allied Professions.

"The freeze will reduce the cost of a master's degree and assures students of a fixed cost," Lasley said. "This way they can already project what it's going to cost."

Lasley said the plan will keep UD's pricing competitive with other regional schools either on the semester or quarter calendars. Total tuition for a master's degree will be $13,860.

"Teachers face many financial challenges with district cutbacks and layoffs," Lasley said. "At the same time, more and more highly effective teachers are needed to help prepare our young people for success and further education.

"Providing a fixed cost for education is one way we can help them be more effective and more marketable," he said.

The University, which operates on the semester calendar, last year announced a freeze of tuition rates for education graduate students already enrolled or starting their degree programs as of fall 2007. Those previously announced rates will remain and are not affected by the increased tuition.

Lasley said given current trends in private higher education, he expects tuition to continue to increase annually, so the freeze will result in savings to teachers. "Given the projected annual increase, by freezing the tuition at this rate, we are saving teachers about $1,500 overall," he added.

Tuition will be frozen for students who enroll in the departments of teacher education, educational leadership, counselor education and human services, and health and sport science in fall 2008.

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