



August 07, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Board of Trustees
FROM: William D. Law, Jr., President
RE: New Rules for Distance Learning Fee Assessment

TCC staff have reviewed College policies and procedures to determine what is needed to comply with the new Distance Learning requirements of HB 7105. The new legislation exempts distance learning courses from laboratory fees and authorizes community colleges to assess user fees for distance learning courses.

Fees associated with the development and delivery of specific distance courses are defined as User Fees. Institutions may not assess additional fees for the delivery of distance learning courses.

TCC does not currently assess an additional fee for distance learning courses. In addition, our assessed lab fees already comply with the restrictions identified for assessing user fees. Therefore, we do not need to recommend any changes to the fees themselves, but we will change the name of the fees from lab fees to user fees beginning with Fall 2008 courses.

Staff Resources: Barbara Sloan

Recommended Action:
Information only.

