

UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDÅT GUÅHAN Board of Regents

Resolution No. 24-10

# RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE PROPOSED DOCTOR OF EDUCATION (EdD) TUITION STRUCTURE AND ASSOCIATED FEES

**WHEREAS**, the University of Guam (UOG) is the primary U.S. Land Grant and Sea Grant institution accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission serving the post-secondary needs of the people of Guam and the Western Pacific region;

**WHEREAS**, the governance and control of the UOG is vested in the Board of Regents (BOR) of UOG;

**WHEREAS**, the UOG School of Education (SOE), in its endeavor to launch the first doctorate program at the University of Guam, the EdD in Instructional & Academic Leadership, advocates for a proposed new tuition structure and associated fees, separate and apart from the current UOG gradudate and undergraduate tuition rate;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed tuition and fee structure is informed by a thorough analysis of market demands, a 2020 survey of UOG alumni and professionals, and national doctoral education pricing trends;

WHEREAS, the proposed tuition rate and associated fees reflects UOG's commitment to maintaining high standards and providing robust support to our students and faculty, strategically positioned to meet the financial requirements of delivering a doctoral program of the highest caliber, aligned with the effort needed to sustain quality and resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Student Affairs, Scholarships, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee held a public hearing on April 25, 2024 to provide the community an opportunity to provide comments and recommendations and at its April 17, 2024 and April 25, 2024 meetings has reviewed and recommends the proposed Doctor of Education Tuition Structure and Associated Fees to the BOR for approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the BOR hereby adopts the Doctor of Education Tuition Structure and Associated Fees attached, to be effective immediately.

Adopted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

Sandra H. McKeever, Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Anita Borja Enriquez, D.B.A., Executive Secretary

## Doctor of Education (EdD) in Instructional and Academic Leadership Tuition and Fees Structure

The School of Education, in its endeavor to launch the first doctorate program at the University of Guam, the EdD in Instructional and Academic Leadership, advocates for a proposed new tuition structure. This proposal is informed by a thorough analysis of market demands, a 2020 survey of UOG alumni and professionals, and national doctoral education pricing trends. Our narrative underscores the unique position of our program in the educational landscape, emphasizing our commitment to academic excellence and community engagement.

### Contextualizing Costs in the Academic Landscape

The proposed tuition rate reflects our commitment to maintaining high standards and providing robust support to our students and faculty. This rate is strategically positioned to meet the financial requirements of delivering a doctoral program of this caliber, aligned with the effort needed to sustain quality and resources. It is aligned with our partner land-grant institution in 2020 with a \$490 per credit hour tuition rate.

While several online competitors may offer lower-cost doctoral programs, the University of Guam's EdD Program stands out for its unique value proposition. Our program is designed to serve our region's needs to advance learning for our stakeholders in Guam and the surrounding Western Pacific region and places emphasis on cultivating academic and instructional leaders.

#### **Unique Value Proposition**

- **Cohort Focus:** The EdD is designed as a cohort model to promote and cultivate a network of academic practitioners to support and learn with one another as a learning community throughout the program.
- Scholar-Practitioner: The EdD emphasizes the scholar-practitioner as the curriculum is intentionally designed to prepare students to apply research and theory to address problems/issues in practice and to influence change in the educational/organizational context(s), preparing them to make meaningful contributions for societal advancement.
- **Cultural Relevance/Cultural Applicability**: The program emphasizes the cultural context of our regions, diverse stakeholders and attentive to diverse cultures and cultural community contexts guiding one's role as a scholar-practitioner, and extending to educational research that is relevant and respectful of diverse cultures social and organizational cultural contexts.

#### **Proposed Tuition Structure**

#### Tuition Rate: \$490 per credit

FEE	Fanomnakan / Fanuchanan	Finakpo
Registration	\$12.00	\$12.00
Student Services	\$44.00	\$24.00
Library Services	\$100.00	\$100.00
Internet	\$100.00	\$90.00
Online Learning	\$150.00	\$150.00
SOE Live Text	\$24.00	\$24.00
Learning Materials	\$600.00	\$600.00

#### **FEES – As Listed Below**