UOW COLLEGE HONG KONG REGULATIONS ON TUITION FEES FOR DIPLOMA IN GENERAL STUDIES

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1. Purpose

These regulations apply to students studying on the Diploma in General Studies (Diploma) offered by UOW College Hong Kong (UOWCHK).

2. Application and Scope

2.1. The fees and charges of the Diploma in General Studies programme, including any revisions effected each year, shall apply to all students on the programme regardless of their year of admission.

3. Procedure

3.1. Application Fee

3.1.1. An application for admission to the College must be accompanied by payment of a specified application fee. The application fee is not refundable or transferable. However, application fee may be waived in certain circumstances at the discretion of UOWCHK.

3.2. Acceptance Fee

- 3.2.1. To accept an offer of admission to UOWCHK, an applicant is required to pay an Acceptance Fee for the programme by the specified deadline.
- 3.2.2. The Acceptance Fee is not refundable or transferable except under the following circumstances where the fee is 100% refundable:
 - when the applicant subsequently accepts another offer of an award programme of UOWCHK in the same semester/term of admission and has paid the relevant fees;
 - when the applicant fails to meet the condition(s) of admission offer resulting in a withdrawal of offer by the College; or
 - when the programme for which an offer is made is subsequently cancelled by the College.

3.3. Tuition Fee

- 3.3.1. The tuition fees of the Diploma programme are charged as a variable fee according to the number of credit units taken in each semester/term. An extra fee will be charged if a student is required to re-take any courses.
- 3.3.2. Students are normally required to pay the tuition fee in two installments each year: the first installment is due before the start of Semester A and the second installment is due before the start of Semester B.
- 3.3.3. The non-refundable Acceptance Fee paid at the time of admission under Section 3 is credited towards the tuition fee for Semester A upon enrolment. Before the start of Semester B, students will be provided with an e-statement via email. The due date for payment of fees is indicated in the e-statement. It is the student's responsibility to ensure they have access to their email. To maintain their enrolment status, students must pay all fees and charges by the payment due date.
- 3.3.4. Students with financial difficulties may apply for deferral of tuition payment according to the procedures detailed in the College's website. Students will be given a new payment due date if the application for deferral of tuition payment is successful.

3.4. Penalties for Non-payment

- 3.4.1. Students who do not pay the fees and charges in full by the payment due date may be barred from accessing all the facilities and have their studies terminated by the College. At the discretion of the College, these students may also be given a new due date to settle the original amount plus a late payment charge of 2% on the outstanding balance.
- 3.4.2. Students whose status has been made inactive, whether due to termination or withdrawal of studies, but with an outstanding balance in their student accounts will be flagged in the student record system as debtors. These students will be required to clear the amount when seeking admission/re-admission to The College in future.

3.5. Leave of Absence

- 3.5.1. Students who cannot pursue their studies in Semester B may submit an application for leave of absence. Applications for leave of absence should be made before the start of the semester.
- 3.5.2. If the application for leave of absence is received after the start of the semester but before the end of Week 6, the student will be liable for 50% of the tuition for that semester, if the application is subsequently approved.
- 3.5.3. If the application for leave of absence is received in Week 7 or afterwards, the student will be liable for 100% of the tuition for that semester, if the application is subsequently approved.

3.6. Withdrawal of Study

3.6.1. Students who do not plan to continue their studies in Semester B should submit a written notice of withdrawal. If the written notice is received before the start of the

semester, the student will not be liable for the tuition for that semester.

- 3.6.2. If the written notice of withdrawal is received after the start of the semester but before the end of Week 6, the student will be liable for 50% of the tuition for that semester.
- 3.6.3. If the written notice of withdrawal is received in Week 7 or afterwards, the student will be liable for 100% of the tuition for that semester.

3.7. Graduation Fee

3.7.1. Students will be charged a graduation fee upon enrolment in a programme. The graduation fee will be refunded to the student who subsequently withdraws before graduation or whose studies are being terminated by the College.

3.8. Refund of Fees

3.8.1. Students who have overpayment in their student accounts as a result of cancellation or adjustment of tuition fees can apply for a refund of the overpaid amount, except for the non-refundable Acceptance Fee paid at the time of admission under Section 3.2. Refund will not be made for an amount less than HK\$10.

3.9. Special Circumstances

3.9.1. Where this policy does not adequately encompass exceptional individual circumstances, the College may consider individual cases. Such cases must be presented in writing together with supporting documentary evidence and include a recommendation from the Dean/ Associate Dean of Faculty and submitted to the President for consideration.

Version Control Table

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2.0	2025-26 Academic Year	College Management Committee	• Update tuition fee charging from flat fee to credit unit base