

**BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**NO.:** FAAP 08-15

**BOARD DATE:** February 29, 2008

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**STATE COLLEGES**

**RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009**

**MOVED:** The Board of Higher Education adopts the following resident undergraduate tuition rates at the state colleges for Fiscal Year 2009:

	<b>Change</b>	<b>Annual Resident Undergraduate Tuition</b>
Bridgewater State College	\$0	\$ 910
Fitchburg State College	\$0	\$ 970
Framingham State College	\$0	\$ 970
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	n/a	n/a
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	n/a	n/a
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$1,030
Salem State College	\$0	\$ 910
Westfield State College	\$0	\$ 970
Worcester State College	\$0	\$ 970

**Authority:** Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

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## **Background**

Tuition and fee-setting guidelines for the Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Massachusetts Maritime Academy are outlined in the "Five-Year New Partnership Plans," approved by the Board in FY2004. Under the Partnership Plans, tuition rates are set by the board of trustees of each institution, and revenue is retained by the campus.

Pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 15A of the General Laws, any material change to the five-year plan, as approved by the Board of Higher Education in FY2004, including any change to the projection for total student charges, shall require approval of that change by the Board of Higher Education.

Proposed student charges for FY2009 at both institutions were reviewed by Board staff and are within the projections outlined in the five-year plan; action by the Board, therefore, is not required.