

## Stockton Responds to State Budget Cuts through Increased Student Aid

Scholarship Program Increases to \$13.5 million

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Office of Public Relations Galloway Township, NJ 08240 increase by varying amounts. Facilities fees will increase by 5%, housing rates will increase an average of 3%, and meal plan rates will also increase by 4%.

For a typical incoming freshman student, the total cost of tuition, fees, room and board will increase by 3.5%, from \$21,404.26 in the academic year of 2010-2011 to \$22,159.60 in the academic year of 2011-2012.

"Although it is never pleasant to announce tuition and fee increases, Stockton is still an exceptional value," Dr. Saatkamp said. "Stockton remains in the mid-range of tuition and fees among the nine state colleges," Dr. Saatkamp said, and we have managed to keep these increases slight, without cuts in services, faculty or staff."

He attributed this to sound investment and increased efficiencies of operation. These include one of the nation's largest geothermal heating and cooling systems for the physical plant, the addition of solar panels including of the first and largest solar carports at a college in the United States, and energy-efficient building practices in the Campus Center, F. Wing and student residence halls and a state-of-the-art Unified Science Center under construction.

"We are committed to taking the steps necessary to maintain Stockton as New Jersey's distinctive public college," said Dr. Saatkamp.

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