

# NOTICE

## Tuition and other fees for the 2012 Academic Year (Undergraduate)

### A. BACKGROUND

At its meeting in September 2011, the Council of the Polytechnic of Namibia considered tuition and other fees and approved the following increases for the 2012 academic year (average given where appropriate): **1. Tuition – 7%; 2. Accommodation – 10%; 3. Meals – 10%; and 4. Other fees – 10%.**

### B. RATIONALE

In determining these increases, Council considered a variety of factors, most notably: a) government subsidy levels; b) cost of living increases; c) socio-economic situation in the country; d) cost-recovery imperatives; and e) the status of the Polytechnic's qualifications and fees vis-a-vis similar institutions in the region.

The approved fees for 2012 reflect a balance between the imperatives brought to bear by these factors and enable the institution to continue providing quality higher education at reasonable cost. The average cost recovery rate (from students) at present is about 36%. The fees remain at the low end compared to other universities in the region, especially considering the additional cost of living abroad and of study permits. The comprehensive list of fees is available from the Bursar's Office.

The following is a synopsis of fees applicable in 2012 compared with the 2011 fees:\*

PROGRAMMES/SERVICES	FEES (N\$)		
	2011 FEES	2012 FEES	
Registration fee (once-off fee for the year, include Technology, Assessment and Student Activity Fees)	820	900	
Late Registration fee (once-off fee, includes registration fee and its components)	1080	1 190	
TUITION FEES			
	(N\$ PER COURSE)	(N\$ PER COURSE)	
School of Business and Management			
National Diploma	960	1 030	
B. Tech: Accounting and Finance, Economics B. Business Admin, Marketing, Human Resources Management, Office Management and Technology, Transport Management, Public Management, Logistics and Supply Chain Management	1 280	1 370	
School of Communication			
National Diploma: Journalism and Communication - 1 <sup>st</sup> year	1 100	1 180	
National Diploma: Journalism and Communication - 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	2 870	3 070	
B. English, B. Communication	1 280	1 370	
B. Criminal Justice	1 400	1 500	
B. Journalism and Communication Technology	1 530	1 640	
Other disciplines (incl. Service Courses)	960	1 030	
School of Engineering			
Introduction to Engineering Studies	1 190	1 270	
National Diploma: Engineering: Power, Mechanical, Civil	2 040	2 180	
B.Tech: Civil, Electronic, Power, Mechanical	2 550	2 730	
B. Engineering: Mining, Mechanical, Electronic & Telecommunications, Civil, Electrical Power	2 550	2 730	
B. Architecture	2 040	2 180	
School of Health and Applied Sciences			
National Higher Certificate: Emergency Medical Care	1 530	1 640	
B. Bio-Medical Science, B. Environmental Health Science - 1 <sup>st</sup> year	1 530	1 640	
B. Bio-Medical Science, B. Environmental Health Science 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> year	1 650	1 770	
B.Sc Applied Mathematics and Statistics	1 190	1 270	
School of Information Technology			
National Diploma: Informational Technology	1 860	1 990	
B. Information Technology: Business Computing, Systems Administration and Networks, Software Development	1 860	1 990	
School of Natural Resources and Tourism			
National Certificate: Nature Conservation (Techniques)	1 620	1 730	
Certificate: Community-Based Natural Resource Management (Distance Education mode) – cost for full programme	4 190	4 480	
Certificate: Namibian Environmental Education (Distance Education mode) – cost for full programme	4 190	4 480	
B. Agricultural Management, Land Administration, Geo-Information Technology, Property Studies, Hospitality Management, Travel and Tourism Management, Natural Resources Management (Nature Conservation), Town and Regional Planning, Regional and Rural Development, and BSc. Geomatics	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	1 340	1 430
	4 <sup>th</sup> year	1 680	1 800
National Technical Certificate: Food & Beverage Operations, Rooms Division Operations	1 430	1 340	
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B.Tech Nature Conservation (Distance Education mode)	1 980	2 120	

\* NOTE: Exceptions may exist, depending on the cost of a particular course in a department. Course fees charged at higher levels generally reflects the higher cost of delivering upper qualifications.

SERVICES	FEES	
	2011 FEES	2012 FEES
ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS (per semester)		
Namibian & SADC – Double Room	4 850	5 340
Namibian & SADC – Small Single Room	5 210	5 730
Namibian & SADC – Medium Single Room	5 470	6 020
Namibian & SADC – Single Room with balcony	6 200	6 820
International – Double Room	8 710	9 580
International – Single Room	10 360	11 400
Meals (per semester)	8 320	9 150
Breakage Deposit – refundable	700	700

Students are required to pay the mandatory deposits at registration and are allowed to pay off their debt in monthly instalments over the semester in question. Accounts should be settled before the writing of examinations, release of results, re-registration and graduation.

### C. CONCLUSION

The Polytechnic's qualifications (academic programmes) are globally recognised and many have already earned international accreditation from bodies such as FIBAA and UKQAA. International partnerships and academic exchanges are a key part of our benchmarking and quality assurance efforts. A host of local and international prizes and awards won over the years testify to the quality and performance of the Polytechnic and its impact on society.

To remain competitive and to maintain the Polytechnic's high standards, it is necessary to review and rationalize its fees on an annual basis, as is done with its qualifications, services and infrastructure. The Polytechnic nevertheless remains firmly committed to providing the best value for money to all its students.

