

UNB budget hits students hard

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Fredericton, NB – The University of New Brunswick’s 2016-2017 budget appears to have a harsher impact than expected. In addition to the 2% increase for domestic students, 5% increase for out of province students and a 10% raise on international differential fees; the budget also shows increases to residence fees, meal plans and ancillary fees. The largest impact still lies on international students who are taking a double hit by receiving both the 10% increase to the differential fee, and the 5% increase to tuition.

UNB Student Union President, Travis Daley says “international students are facing over \$1100 in tuition increases alone.” Daley continues, “but university is more than just the cost of tuition. Additionally, there are increases program fees. In particular, Engineering and Business Administration fees have increased by 35% and 100%, respectively.”

Rather than implementing small incremental increases, this year’s students are being burdened with substantial hikes to fees that have not been altered over the last 2 years.

President of UNB, Eddy Campbell is hosting a town hall on Monday, June 6th at 2:30pm to address the UNB community regarding the budget. The Student Union will be there to raise their concerns about the impact this budget will have on UNBs undergraduate students.

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