

**BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the use of unlimited out-of-state athletic grant-in-aid tuition differentials (up to the NCAA maximum allowable grant-in-aids for each sport) for student-athletes.

**SUMMARY**

The purpose of this request is to provide the opportunity for coaches in every sport program to freely recruit prospective student-athletes from outside Michigan and Ohio thereby allowing a coach to recruit the highest caliber student-athlete available. Currently, coaches have a limited number of out-of-state tuition differentials to offer prospective student-athletes. It is unlikely that a highly recruited prospect will choose to attend Eastern Michigan University if the prospect must pay the out-of-state tuition charge. Additionally, it should be noted that in line with the current Athletic Department policy, all in-state and out-of-state student-athletes who receive any type of athletically-related financial aid will be required to live on-campus during their first two years of residence at Eastern Michigan University.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Currently, the university budgets for 122 out-of-state tuition differentials. The fiscal implication will be the addition of \$13,395 to the university's scholarship budget for every out-of-state student-athlete who enrolls as a full-time student-athlete at Eastern Michigan University beyond the current limit of 122.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

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**University Executive Officer**

October 16, 2008  
**Date**