

Incoming students say UNC attractive for price

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Despite likely tuition increases and looming budget cuts, many incoming students say the University's price tag is still an attractive one.

At the second session of New Student Orientation on Monday, many students said their parents refused to pay the high cost of out-of-state public and private schools.

"I really wanted to go to University of Georgia, but because of money problems my parents said it would be more efficient to come here," said Margaret Dodd, an incoming student from Raleigh.

The University's tuition and fees for 2011-12 are \$7,008 for in-state students while it is \$27,682 for out-of-state students at the University of Georgia.

Keren Tseytlin, an incoming student from Washington, D.C., said UNC was one of the least expensive schools she applied to, adding that she applied to

Georgetown University and the University of Maryland.

Some students, such as Julia Hujar, said they were attracted to UNC due to strong financial aid options. Hujar said she accepted the N.C. Teaching Fellows scholarship instead of attending New York University.

As many incoming students prepare for the challenges that lie ahead at the University, some said they are concerned about how budget cuts will affect their major options.

"I have to check out other options in case I don't get in because it's really competitive," said Caroline Jurado, an incoming student who said she was interested in nursing. The School of Nursing announced in February that it would accept 25 percent fewer undergraduate applicants.

Despite economic and academic concerns, many students said they were particularly excited about basketball season and becoming students at UNC.

"I've been coming here all my life, but there's something about being with the class of 2015 that makes it completely different," said Stuart Hamm, an incoming student from Snow Hill.

Shandol Hoover, associate director of New Student and Carolina Parent Programs, said the office is beginning to refer to orientation as New Student Orientation.

The program was previously called the Carolina Testing and Orientation Program Sessions, or C-TOPS, but foreign language and other proficiency tests are now conducted online, Hoover said.

But some elements of orientation have not changed.

During the second orientation session's opening ceremony on Monday, administrators emphasized to incoming students the importance of graduating in four years.

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Lizzie Snead, an incoming freshman, enters Rams Head Dining Hall during new student orientation Monday.

TUITION

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Jon Young, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at Fayetteville State University, said administrators will not seek another supplemental tuition increase.

The board approved a supplemental increase of \$100 last year and \$150 for the upcoming academic year at Fayetteville State. Young said about 70 percent of the school's students qualify for Pell grants and would be harmed by another tuition increase.

"It's not likely that we would raise tuition unless it's an absolute necessity," he said.

Young said cuts in state funding will likely result in 350 to 450 fewer course sections being offered, though the state budget has not been finalized.

Gov. Bev Perdue has until June

14 to veto or sign the budget, or it becomes law.

Gage said her concern is that legislators' most recent budgetary decisions are indicative of a departure from the state's historic commitment to higher education.

"That's what I lose sleep over and that's what we all should be worrying about," Gage said.

She said the UNC system's budget has been cut by more than \$1 billion during the past five years.

The cost of attending a state university should not be increased because of a lack of state funding, Gage said.

"Tuition is a secondary, not primary source of funding, and the state constitution did not intend for students and families to carry that burden," she said.

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APPLE

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tinued to order computers during the summer.

"It's very possible that we just have more people buying earlier this year," she said. "At the end, it (might) be the same number."

Alden said it's too early to know if the large number of sales will lead to lower Mac prices for CCI.

"(If) it's known that sales are at a certain volume, then they can talk to us about a better discount," she said.

Larry Conrad, vice chancellor for information technology, said CCI added the Mac option because of an ongoing demand from students and faculty.

"It is a religious issue," he said. "It almost doesn't matter what else is available or how good the price is. By golly, they want a Mac and they're going to pay whatever premium is associated with that."

Conrad said it took several years to include Apple in CCI.

"When I compare notes with my counterparts (at other universities), I hear the same story — that Apple can be difficult to negotiate with," he said.

He said the University did not receive price discounts for as much as he had hoped.

"I don't think we got a fabulous

deal for students," Conrad said. "We got all that we are going to get out of Apple."

John Gorsuch, manager of the RAM shop at Student Stores, said CCI couldn't consider Apple until it extended the AppleCare warranty to four years. CCI then added Safeware insurance to the package to compensate for Apple's lack of accident insurance.

"The University desires that (freshmen) have good, complete coverage for their computer the whole four years that they're here," Gorsuch said. "That means four years of insurance and four years of warranty."

Conrad said Lenovo has been a strong partner for CCI and the addition of Apple to CCI was due to demand, not Lenovo's performance.

But some students said they are planning on buying the MacBook Pro through CCI for the fall, in part due to the poor performance of ThinkPads.

Mike Allan, a rising sophomore, said he bought a Lenovo through CCI last year but plans on buying CCI's Mac option because of Apple's software and aesthetics, as well as the technical failure of his ThinkPad in the past.

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TIPPING FEE

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lic works director, said the \$5 per ton increase could cost the town about \$77,500 annually.

Carrboro Alderman Dan Coleman said the town has struggled to fit the fee increases into its budget as well.

"There's definitely a problem with the timing, since all of the budgets were finished by the time the increase came into play," he said.

Remediation fund

The funds generated from the increase will be used to create a remediation fund for the Rogers Road neighborhood, which has housed the county's only landfill since 1972.

Rev. Robert Campbell, president of the Rogers-Eubanks Coalition, said the neighborhood has advocated for a remediation fund for years.

"The tipping fee will help bring infrastructure to the neighborhood," he said. "It was a sound of relief."

Residents of the historically black and low-income neighborhood have complained of trash odor, contaminated water and vermin due to its proximity to the landfill and gained national attention after claims of environmental racism were made.

The fund, which is expected to generate between \$50,000 and

\$60,000 a year, will most likely be used to install water and sewer infrastructure to houses in the Rogers Road neighborhood.

County Commissioner Earl McKee said the county also transferred \$750,000 from its Solid Waste reserve fund to pay for remediations.

Campbell said the neighborhood is working to create a list of about 90 houses that need water and sewer connections.

McKee said only houses built before the landfill was established are eligible for utility hook-ups.

"Anyone who moved into the area in the last 10 to 15 years was quite aware there was a landfill there," he said.

Campbell said the neighborhood also wants to use the fund to clean up illegal dumping areas and create a community center.

Future waste disposal

Commissioners also eliminated an option to extend the landfill's life to 2018 at the May 17 meeting.

When the landfill closes, the date of which is still uncertain, Orange County's solid waste will be hauled to a waste transfer station in Durham.

"That's a short-term solution until we can sit down and make a decision for a longer-term solution," McKee said. "It will become a dead-weight expense to the county."

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elation of the affair and pregnancy would destroy his candidacy by, among other things, undermining Edwards' presentation of himself as a family man and by forcing his campaign to divert personnel and resources away from other campaign activities to respond to criticism and media scrutiny regarding the affair and pregnancy," the indictment states.

Community response

Although Edwards owns a house on Old Greensboro Road, many Chapel Hill residents feel he has never really been a part of the community.

Katherine Kershaw, spokeswoman for the UNC School of Law, said Edwards, who graduated from the law school, was an employee there from February 2005 until December 2006 but left before announcing his run for president.

Ruby Sinreich, web administrator for the OrangePolitics blog, said she doesn't consider Edwards as a local because he doesn't participate in town events or politics.

"It's not like you're going to run into him at the grocery store," she said.

Sinreich also admits that she is embarrassed to have advocated for him at one point in time.

"The biggest offense that he's committed is betraying all these people," she said. "Not only was he lying about who he was, but if he had been elected, what kind of danger would this country be in right now?"

Chapel Hill Town Council member Penny Rich said she thinks people in the community are tired of seeing politicians, especially males, behave like Edwards did.

"You can't act so poorly and expect it not to go public," Rich said. "I have no tolerance for this at all. Being in politics, you should be honored that people elected you."

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