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Tuition Waiver Report 2022-23

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The 2022-23 Tuition Waiver Report reflects waivers issued to students for coursework taken during fall 2022, spring 2023 and summer 2023. The charts and tables included may include both degree-seeking waivers and non-degree seeking waivers. Waivers for certificate programs are included if the student's primary academic program is considered degree seeking. Continuing education waivers are excluded. Waivers are categorized as ND Resident, In-Country Non-Resident, or International, which are based on tuition residency and citizenship status. It is important to note that this report does not take into consideration differences in program costs, or in tuition models, including residency differences, across the system.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- During the 2022-23 academic year, 40,760 degree-seeking students were enrolled in the North Dakota University System (NDUS). [Tables 3 & 4]
 - ND resident students comprised 53.5% of total students
 - In-country non-resident students 40.7%
 - International students 5.8%
- Of degree-seeking students enrolled in 2022-23, 10,061 (24.7%) received waivers totaling \$39.6 million. Total waiver dollars to degree-seeking students increased by \$3.1 million, an 8.6% increase, from 2021-22. [Table 3]
- Waivers to degree and non-degree seeking students increased by \$3.3 million from 2021-22, a 9.0% increase. [Table 1]
- Statutory and SBHE required waivers were \$6.3 million (15.6%) of total waiver dollars to both degree and non-degree seeking students. The remaining waivers are at the institution's discretion. [Table 2 and Charts 1.1 & 1.2]
- Institutional waivers are provided to meet the mission and goals of the enrolling institution. [Chart 2 & Chart 1.3]
 - Graduate assistant waivers are the largest category of waivers at \$16.4 million (40.7%)
 - Other institutional waivers are second at \$14.1 million (34.9%)
 - Cultural diversity waivers are at \$2.7 million (6.7%)
 - International student waivers accounted for \$.72 million (1.8%)
 - WICHE waivers were \$.12 million (0.3%)
- Degree-seeking students receiving tuition waivers paid campuses \$98.6 million in tuition, housing and food plans, and mandatory fees, which is two and a half times more than the value of waivers received. [Table 3]
- In 2022-23, 22.9% of degree-seeking ND resident students received a waiver, the highest in 10 years. [Chart 4]
- ND resident students received 49.7% (5,002) of the 10,061 waivers awarded; In-country non-residents received 38.4% (3,866); and international students received 11.9% (1,193). [Table 4]
- At the majority of institutions, ND resident degree-seeking students with a waiver paid less, or comparable, net tuition on average than all other residency categories. [Chart 3.0 and Chart 3.1]

TUITION WAIVERS BY CATEGORY

Tuition waivers fall into one of three categories: State-mandated; State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) required; and those made at the institution's discretion. A five-year history of the percent of total waiver dollars by waiver type and category is displayed in Charts 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3.

State Mandated by ND Century Code:

- Full tuition waivers are provided for dependents of POW/MIA Veterans who were killed in action, died of service-related causes, were prisoners of war, have a 100% service-connected disability, or who were declared missing in action.
- National Guard members receive a 35% tuition waiver, and state funding provided to the Adjutant General covers the remainder of the Guard-member's tuition.
- A 100% tuition waiver is available to the surviving spouse and children (biological, adopted or step) of ND firefighters or peace officers killed in the line of duty. The child must be under the age of 21 at the time of the incident.
- A 25% waiver of tuition and fees is provided for law enforcement officers. The ND Attorney General's Office determines eligibility for this waiver through an application process.

State-mandated waivers totaled \$2.3 million, an increase from the prior year of \$3.8 million, which reflects a 20.3% increase from the prior year. This category represents 5.6% of the total waiver dollars to degree and non-degree students.

SBHE Required:

SBHE policy requires limited tuition waivers for benefited employees, 100% waiver for the SBHE student member, senior citizen waivers, and a 50% spouse and dependent waiver.

SBHE required waivers totaled \$4.0 million, a slight increase of \$.12 million, which reflects a 3.1% increase from the prior year. This category represents 10.0% of total waiver dollars to degree and non-degree students.

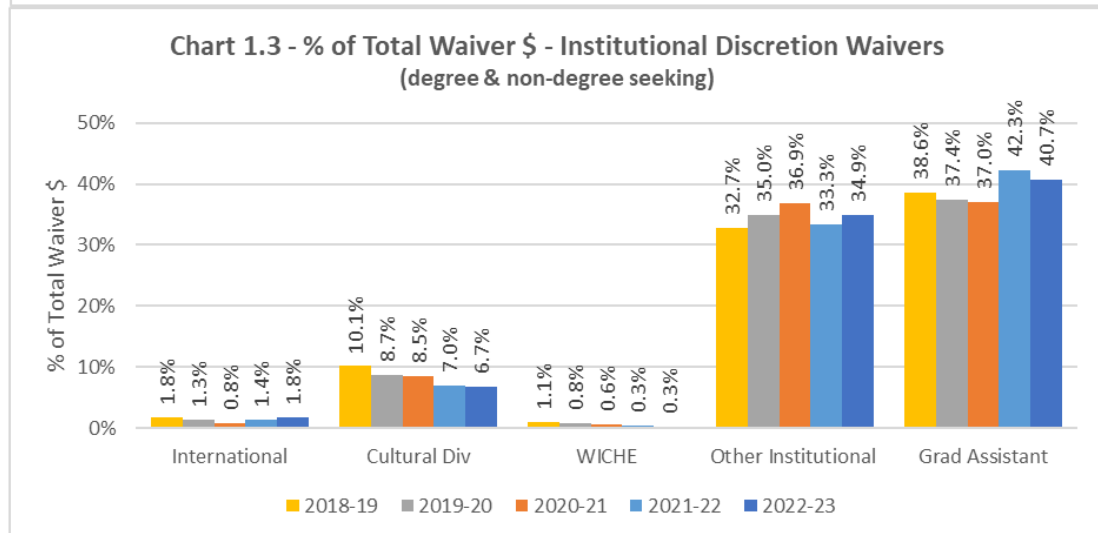
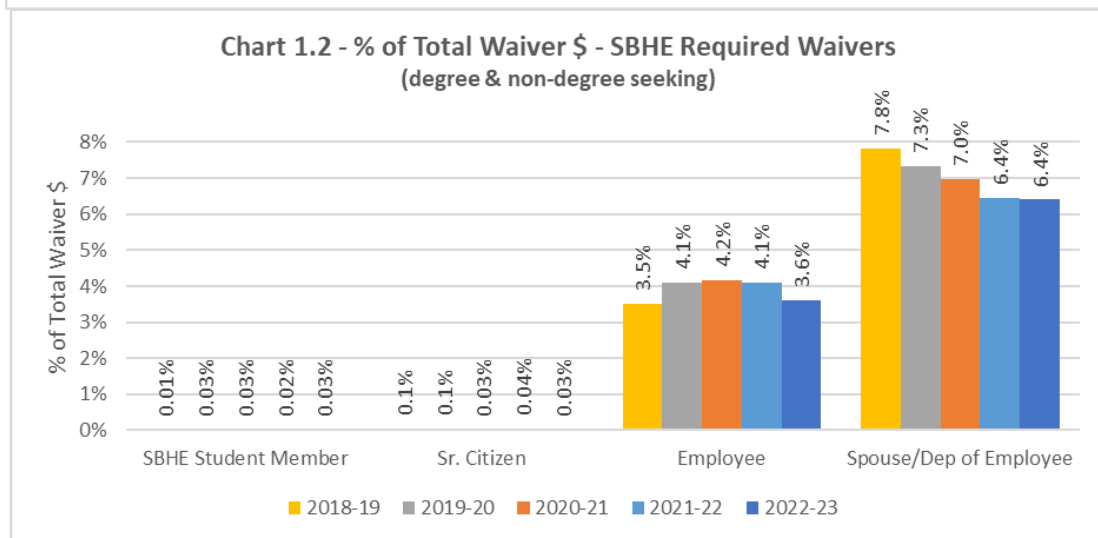
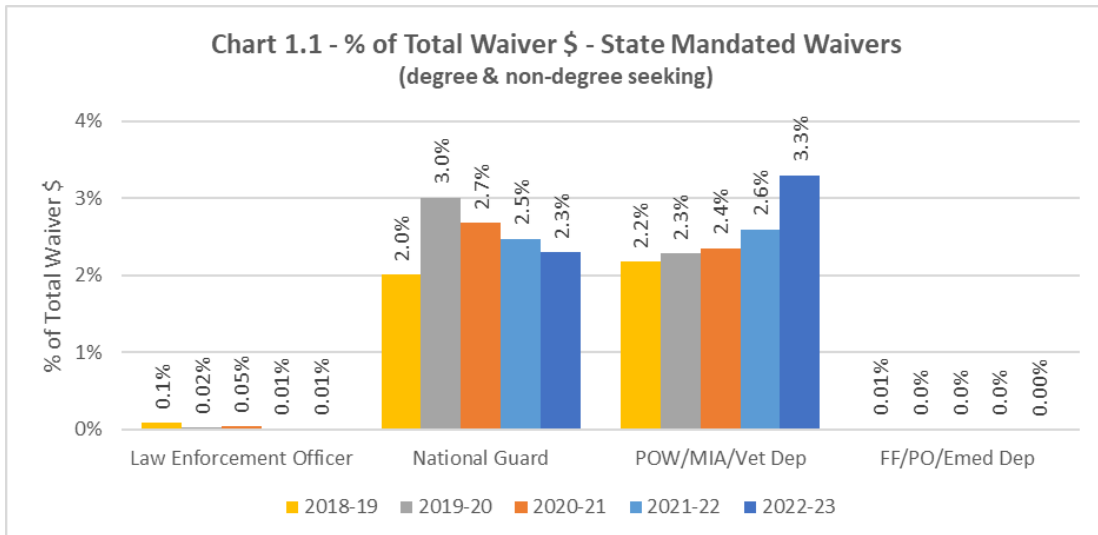
Institutional Discretion:

Institutions offer waivers for purposes that meet the mission and goals of the enrolling institution and to enhance the educational experience of students. As NDUS institutions compete for students regionally, nationally, and internationally, waivers are an important tool operationally in recruiting and retaining students and play an important role in affordability and access. Institutions may offer waivers for specific purposes, such as returning students completing a program of study, academic achievement, or activity participation, especially when scholarships are not available. Additionally, waivers encourage a robust and diverse experience for students who will be performing in a global environment following graduation, an important factor in awards of international waivers and cultural diversity waivers. Cultural diversity waivers promote enrollment of a culturally diverse student body, including members of Indian tribes and economically disadvantaged students, for the benefit of all students and the academic community, to promote enrollment of graduate students and research, and for other purposes consistent with an institution's mission. Further, waivers for programs such as STEM encourage students to think creatively as they become the next generation of innovators of products and services that help to sustain the economy.

Graduate student waivers are the largest category of waivers issued at institution's discretion. NDUS institutions provide competitive compensation packages to graduate assistants that include waivers, because there is competition for these future leaders from other institutions of higher education across

the nation. Graduate students foster critical research and development and assist in classroom teaching and experiences for undergraduates.

Waivers at the institution’s discretion totaled \$34.0 million. This is an increase of \$2.8 million, which reflects a 9.0% increase from the prior year. Institutional waivers comprise 84.4% of all waiver dollars issued to degree and non-degree students.

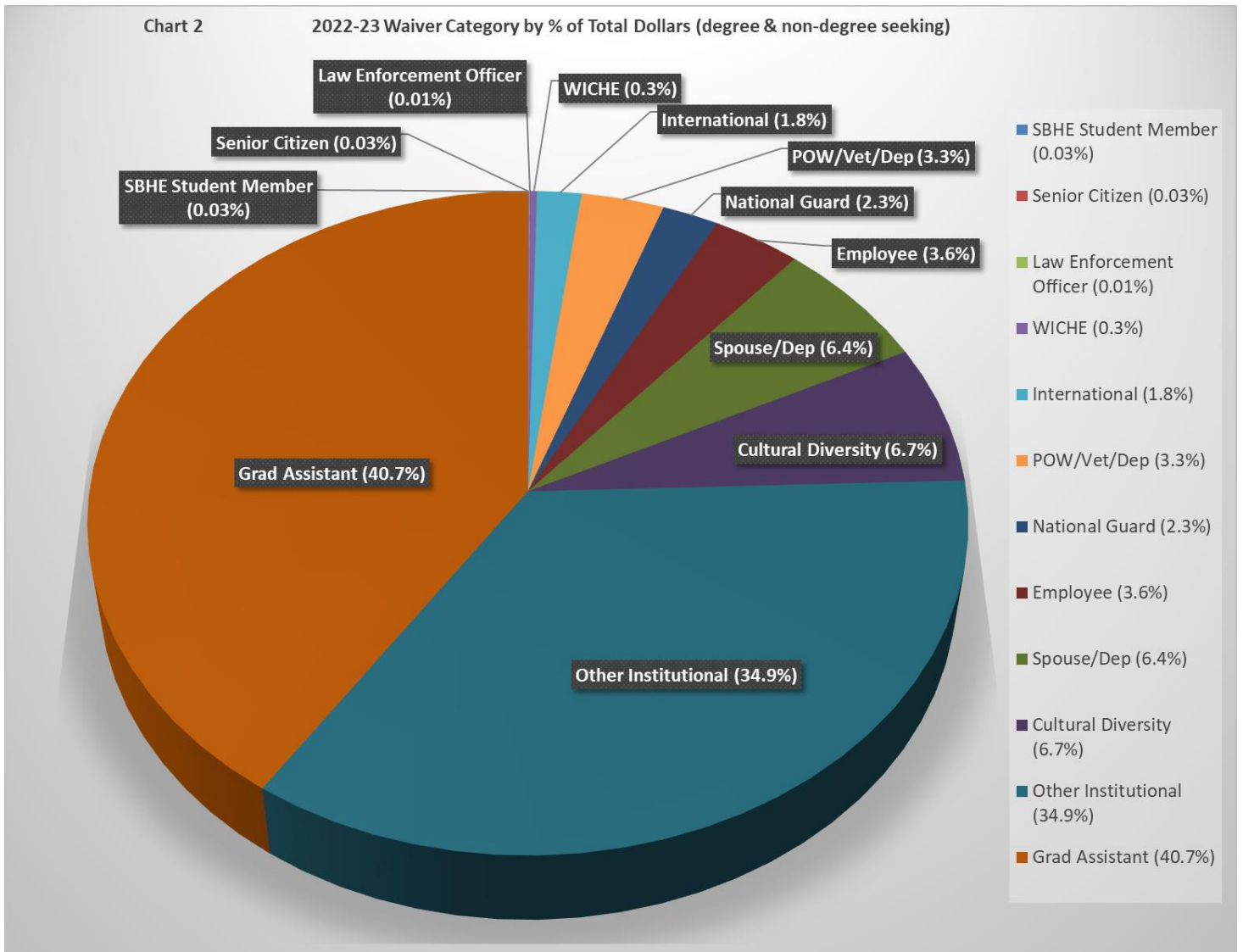


Many waiver categories saw minimal change from the prior year. The overall largest waiver category continues to be graduate assistant waivers at 40.7% of all waivers issued. The net change for all waivers to both degree and non-degree seeking students issued from 2021-22 to 2022-23 was an increase of \$3.3 million, or 9.0%.

Table 1 **Tuition Waiver Comparison To Prior Year**
(degree & non-degree seeking)

Waiver Type	2021-22	2022-23	\$ Change	% Chg
Law Enforcement Officer	\$3,170	\$4,653	\$1,483	46.8%
National Guard	\$914,529	\$915,351	\$822	0.1%
POW/MIA/VET Dep.	\$961,503	\$1,341,304	\$379,801	39.5%
FF/PO/Emed	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Senior Citizen	\$16,100	\$12,999	-\$3,101	-19.3%
SBHE Student Member	\$8,129	\$12,827	\$4,698	57.8%
Spouse/Dep	\$2,384,964	\$2,577,391	\$192,427	8.1%
Employee	\$1,512,130	\$1,439,331	-\$72,799	-4.8%
International	\$532,727	\$719,472	\$186,745	35.1%
Cultural Diversity	\$2,571,041	\$2,719,773	\$148,732	5.8%
WICHE	\$128,627	\$116,954	-\$11,673	-9.1%
Other Institutional	\$12,332,859	\$14,077,427	\$1,744,568	14.1%
Graduate Assistant	\$15,617,615	\$16,359,588	\$741,973	4.8%
TOTAL	\$36,983,394	\$40,297,070	\$3,313,676	9.0%

Chart 2 details the 2022-23 waivers for both degree and non-degree students by category as a percentage of total dollars waived. Table 2 that follows provides the detail for each waiver category.

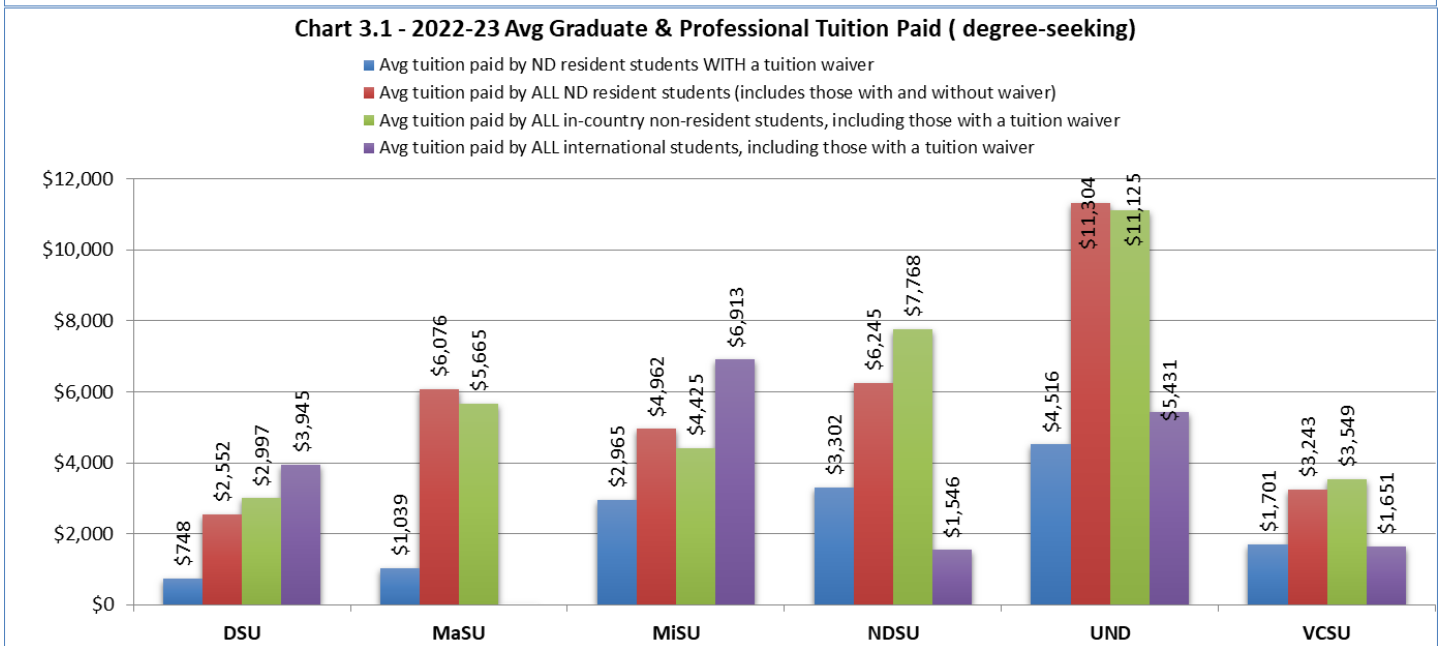
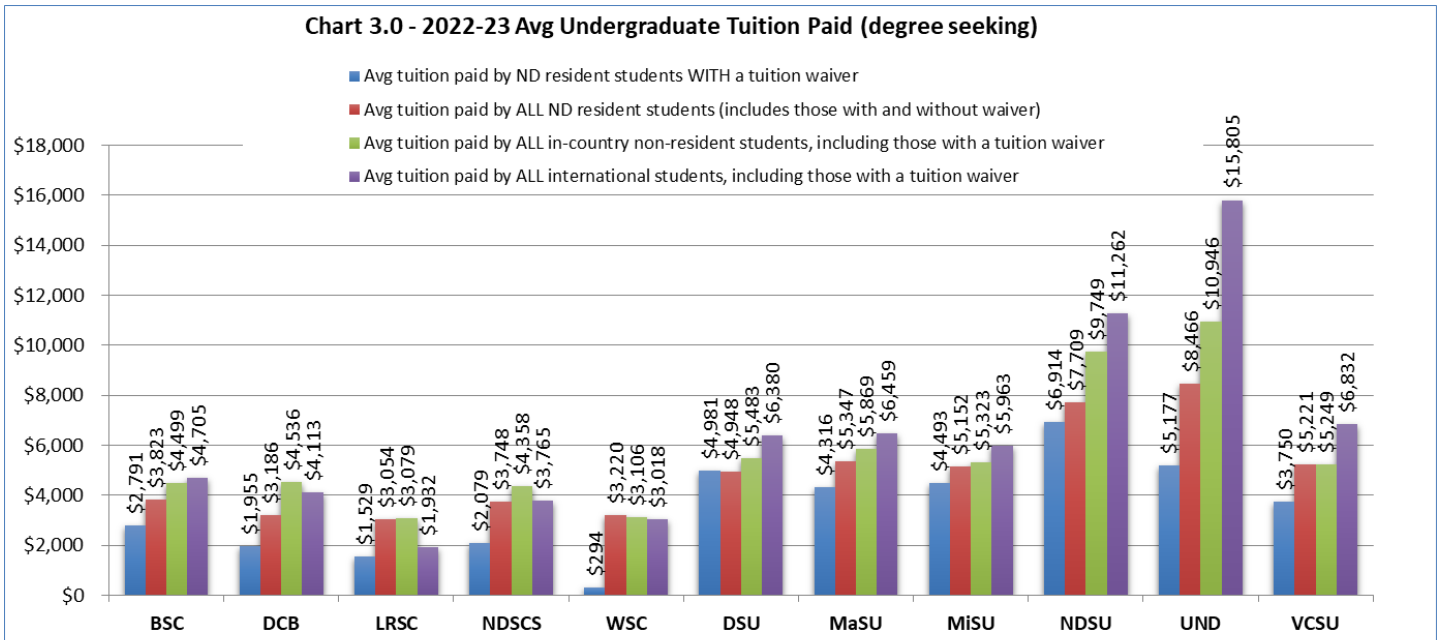


Campus		2022-23 Tuition Waiver by Category (degree & non-degree seeking)																Duplicated Total	Unduplicated HC Total (from Table 3)
		STATUTORILY REQUIRED					SBHE POLICY REQUIRED					INSTITUTIONAL DISCRETION							
		Law Enforcement Officer	National Guard	POW/MIA/Vet Dep Waiver	FF/PO/Emed Dep	Subtotal	Sr Citizen	SBHE Student Mbr	Spouse/Dep Waiver	Employee Waiver	Subtotal	International Student	Cultural Diversity	WICHE	Other Institutional	Grad Assistant	Subtotal		
BSC	# Of Students	1	48	21	0	70	6	0	56	19	81	8	12	0	138	0	158	309	251
	Dollars	\$1,465	\$54,457	\$90,451	\$0	\$146,373	\$1,606	\$0	\$59,821	\$20,206	\$81,633	\$33,887	\$20,402	\$0	\$177,636	\$0	\$231,925	\$459,931	
DCB	# Of Students	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	11	7	18	0	13	0	22	0	35	56	38
	Dollars	\$0	\$2,378	\$1,699	\$0	\$4,077	\$0	\$0	\$13,055	\$6,324	\$19,378	\$0	\$18,711	\$0	\$69,103	\$0	\$87,815	\$111,270	
DSU	# Of Students	0	6	13	0	19	1	0	29	16	46	0	7	0	647	0	654	719	658
	Dollars	\$0	\$6,499	\$83,291	\$0	\$89,790	\$374	\$0	\$128,727	\$23,080	\$152,180	\$0	\$7,094	\$0	\$1,239,091	\$0	\$1,246,185	\$1,488,154	
LRSC	# Of Students	0	10	15	0	25	1	0	28	4	33	13	22	0	67	0	102	160	111
	Dollars	\$0	\$5,682	\$39,172	\$0	\$44,854	\$2,125	\$0	\$35,726	\$3,079	\$40,929	\$80,817	\$50,986	\$0	\$221,229	\$0	\$353,032	\$438,815	
MaSU	# Of Students	0	2	8	0	10	0	0	19	13	32	0	57	0	154	0	211	253	208
	Dollars	\$0	\$2,566	\$35,327	\$0	\$37,893	\$0	\$0	\$47,606	\$50,158	\$97,764	\$0	\$61,500	\$0	\$332,138	\$0	\$393,638	\$529,296	
MiSU	# Of Students	3	14	24	0	41	6	0	64	25	95	0	64	0	831	0	895	1,031	860
	Dollars	\$2,480	\$18,438	\$156,269	\$0	\$177,187	\$3,584	\$0	\$168,832	\$48,851	\$221,267	\$0	\$148,549	\$0	1,390,077	-	\$1,538,625	\$1,937,078	
NDSCS	# Of Students	0	41	24	0	65	0	0	40	7	47	0	10	0	520	0	530	642	510
	Dollars	\$0	\$50,650	\$96,710	\$0	\$147,360	\$0	\$0	\$57,883	\$5,152	\$63,035	\$0	\$6,800	\$0	\$326,630	\$0	\$333,430	\$543,825	
NDSU	# Of Students	1	175	48	0	224	4	0	221	190	415	79	187	0	3,656	1,130	5,052	5,691	5,403
	Dollars	\$287	\$436,062	\$374,772	\$0	\$811,121	\$2,931	\$0	\$891,592	\$499,777	\$1,394,299	\$593,318	\$1,173,935	\$0	\$6,366,405	\$11,814,177	\$19,947,835	\$22,153,255	
UND	# Of Students	1	143	52	0	196	2	1	277	232	512	0	200	4	634	381	1,219	1,927	1,763
	Dollars	\$256	\$328,812	\$417,619	\$0	\$746,687	\$1,732	\$12,827	\$1,133,005	\$762,433	\$1,909,997	\$0	1,032,735	\$116,954	\$3,756,793	\$4,530,915	\$9,437,396	\$12,094,080	
VCSU	# Of Students	1	6	8	0	15	1	0	24	12	37	6	96	0	100	3	205	257	219
	Dollars	\$165	\$9,807	\$42,138	\$0	\$52,110	\$441	\$0	\$40,102	\$18,258	\$58,801	\$11,450	\$123,600	\$0	\$103,139	\$14,497	\$252,686	\$363,597	
WSC	# Of Students	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	2	5	10	0	16	0	18	0	34	45	40
	Dollars	\$0	\$0	\$3,856	\$0	\$3,856	\$207	\$0	\$1,042	\$2,015	\$3,264	\$0	\$75,461	\$0	\$95,187	\$0	170,648	\$177,768	
TOTAL	# Of Students	7	447	215	0	669	24	1	771	530	1,326	106	684	4	6,787	1,514	9,095	11,090	10,061
	Dollars	\$4,653	\$915,351	\$1,341,304	\$0	\$2,261,308	\$12,999	\$12,827	\$2,577,391	\$1,439,331	\$4,042,548	\$719,472	\$2,719,773	\$116,954	\$14,077,427	\$16,359,588	\$33,993,214	\$40,297,070	
	% of TTL Dollars	0.01%	2.3%	3.3%	0.0%	5.6%	0.03%	0.03%	6.4%	3.6%	10.0%	1.8%	6.7%	0.3%	34.9%	40.7%	84.4%		

Students may be duplicated in the count as students may receive more than one category of waiver (e.g. both a national guard and other institutional waiver) and therefore would be counted more than once.

TUITION AMOUNTS PAID BY STUDENTS RECEIVING WAIVERS

Tuition waivers vary between institutions due to tuition model and rate variations, and differences in mission and goals. Some institutions provide in-state rates to some, or all, out-of-state students, which may result in lower tuition waivers. In addition, programs within an institution may also have varied tuition rates which may affect the waivers provided. As a result of the various tuition models, waivers are not comparable across institutions without analyzing corresponding tuition rates, which this report does not do. Charts 3.0 and 3.1 reflect average tuition paid by residency type. ND resident students with a waiver paid less, or comparable, net tuition on average than non-residents and international students at the majority of institutions.



TOTAL COLLECTIONS

As shown below, 10,061 (24.7%) of the 40,760 degree-seeking students received some type of tuition waiver, totaling \$39.6 million in 2022-23. This is an increase from 2021-22, wherein 9,537 students received waivers totaling \$36.4 million. Waivers as a percent of gross tuition charged were 11.3%. However, during 2022-23, students with a tuition waiver still paid institutions \$98.6 million. This came from tuition of \$56.9 million, housing and food plans of \$28.6 million, and mandatory fees of \$13.1 million.

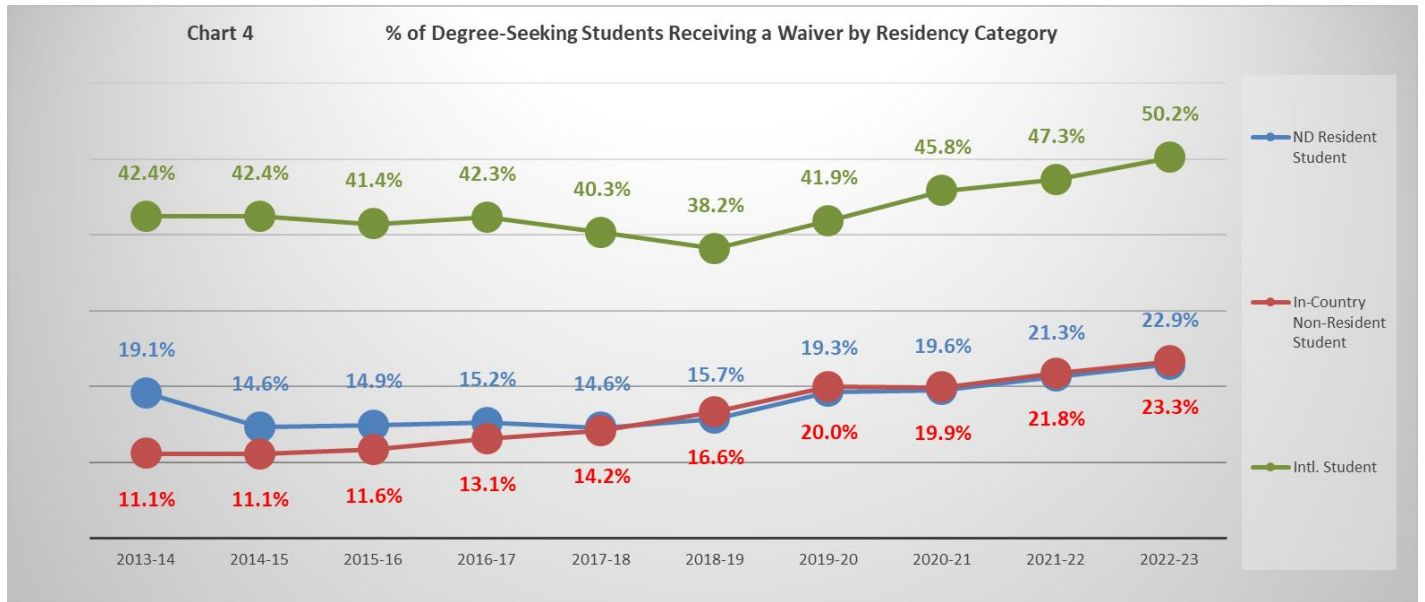
Overall, net collections of tuition, housing and food plans and mandatory fees for all students, both those with a waiver and those without a waiver, totaled \$440 million. This represents a 2.6% increase in net total collections from the prior year for all degree-seeking students. Students receiving a tuition waiver generated 22.4% of these collections.

	BSC	DCB	DSU	LRSC	MaSU	MiSU	NDSCS	NDSU	UND	VCSU	WSC	NDUS Total
1 Annual degree-seeking headcount (HC) enrollment	3,199	504	1,367	792	943	2,753	2,005	12,660	14,604	1,182	751	40,760
2 Unduplicated number of HC students receiving tuition waiver	251	38	658	111	208	860	510	5,403	1,763	219	40	10,061
3 Gross tuition charged to ALL students (with & without waiver)	\$13,178,375	\$1,849,372	\$8,325,895	\$2,776,965	\$5,797,592	\$16,364,039	\$8,486,168	\$125,262,968	\$159,925,667	\$6,262,214	\$2,559,125	\$350,788,379
4 Total tuition waived	\$437,800	\$99,117	\$1,443,465	\$392,885	\$520,354	\$1,892,716	\$476,501	\$21,968,147	\$11,792,699	\$349,886	\$177,389	\$39,550,959
5 Net tuition charged to students receiving a tuition waiver	\$733,240	\$96,019	\$3,254,300	\$174,157	\$1,075,869	\$3,759,279	\$2,178,764	\$35,577,394	\$9,095,888	\$958,262	\$12,878	\$56,916,052
6 Net housing & food charged to students receiving a tuition waiver	\$491,347	\$167,822	\$1,451,570	\$437,699	\$473,775	\$1,414,428	\$2,687,594	\$17,446,865	\$3,388,288	\$431,919	\$190,015	\$28,581,323
7 Net mandatory fees charged to students receiving a tuition waiver	\$193,319	\$42,541	\$1,027,486	\$111,053	\$282,450	\$1,084,377	\$690,819	\$7,158,583	\$2,137,031	\$355,562	\$49,420	\$13,132,643
8 Total net tuition, housing & food, and mandatory fees charged to ALL students (with & without waiver)	\$17,925,209	\$3,235,621	\$10,842,273	\$4,152,576	\$7,659,619	\$20,472,840	\$17,056,936	\$152,488,326	\$191,343,449	\$10,100,269	\$4,725,926	\$440,003,044
9 Total net tuition, housing & food, and mandatory fees charged to students receiving a tuition waiver	\$1,417,907	\$306,382	\$5,733,357	\$722,909	\$1,832,094	\$6,258,085	\$5,557,177	\$60,182,842	\$14,621,207	\$1,745,744	\$252,314	\$98,630,017
10 % of net TOTAL tuition, housing & food and mandatory fees generated from tuition waiver recipients	7.9%	9.5%	52.9%	17.4%	23.9%	30.6%	32.6%	39.5%	7.6%	17.3%	5.3%	22.4%

Student counts are unduplicated - Students may receive more than one type of waiver, but are counted only once. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.

TUITION WAIVERS BY RESIDENCY

Since 2013-14, ND resident students and in-country non-resident students receiving a waiver has been steady, although increasing in recent years. In 2022-23, 22.9% of ND resident students received a waiver. In-country non-resident students accounted for 23.3% of the waivers. Both ND resident and in-country non-resident waivers are at the highest rate in 10 years. International students receiving a waiver dipped to 38.2% in 2018-19 but has steadily increased since, with 50.2% of international students receiving a waiver in 2022-23.



Most waivers provided are partial waivers from 1-99% as shown in Table 4. Total students receiving waivers increased from 9,537 in 2021-22 to 10,061 in 2022-23. The following summarizes the 2022-23 tuition waivers to degree-seeking students.

- 24.7% of degree-seeking students received a waiver in 2022-23.
- 1,900 (4.7%) of degree-seeking students received a full waiver, a slight increase from the prior year.
- 8,161 (20.0%) of degree-seeking students received partial waivers, an increase from the 18.4% reported in 2021-22.
- Most waivers were issued to ND resident students. A total of 5,002 ND resident students received waivers, which equates to 49.7% of total tuition waivers issued, which is relatively unchanged from the prior year.
- 3,866 in-country, non-resident students received tuition waivers, which reflects 38.4% of all waivers provided, which is unchanged from the prior year.
- 1,193 international students received tuition waivers, which is 11.9% of waivers issued, which is relatively unchanged from the prior year.

Table 4 **2022-23 Tuition Waiver by Level of Tuition Waiver and Residency**
(degree-seeking)

		BSC		DCB		DSU		LRSC		MaSU		MiSU		NDSCS		NDSU		UND		VCSU		WSC		NDUS Total	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
ND Resident																									
1	No Waiver	2,239	91.4%	365	96.3%	480	57.8%	600	90.6%	500	83.9%	1,266	69.8%	1,087	91.7%	3,209	57.5%	5,878	83.5%	713	90.1%	475	99.0%	16,812	77.1%
2	Partial Waiver	186	7.6%	10	2.6%	303	36.5%	42	6.3%	90	15.1%	506	27.9%	72	6.1%	2,082	37.3%	891	12.7%	67	8.5%	3	0.6%	4,252	19.5%
3	Full Waiver	26	1.1%	4	1.1%	48	5.8%	20	3.0%	6	1.0%	42	2.3%	27	2.3%	294	5.3%	270	3.8%	11	1.4%	2	0.4%	750	3.4%
4	Total ND Resident	2,451		379		831		662		596		1,814		1,186		5,585		7,039		791		480		21,814	
In-Country Non-Resident																									
5	No Waiver	695	95.7%	55	80.9%	202	41.4%	75	77.3%	225	71.0%	393	61.6%	403	49.7%	3,899	62.5%	6,325	95.6%	235	64.4%	197	93.8%	12,704	76.7%
6	Partial Waiver	31	4.3%	10	14.7%	278	57.0%	16	16.5%	89	28.1%	232	36.4%	408	50.3%	2,112	33.9%	206	3.1%	128	35.1%	3	1.4%	3,513	21.2%
7	Full Waiver	0	0.0%	3	4.4%	8	1.6%	6	6.2%	3	0.9%	13	2.0%	0	0.0%	223	3.6%	85	1.3%	2	0.5%	10	4.8%	353	2.1%
8	Total In-Country Non-Resident	726		68		488		97		317		638		811		6,234		6,616		365		210		16,570	
International																									
9	No Waiver	14	63.6%	46	80.7%	27	56.3%	6	18.2%	10	33.3%	234	77.7%	5	62.5%	149	17.7%	638	67.2%	15	57.7%	39	63.9%	1,183	49.8%
10	Partial Waiver	6	27.3%	8	14.0%	20	41.7%	15	45.5%	20	66.7%	64	21.3%	3	37.5%	142	16.9%	101	10.6%	11	42.3%	6	9.8%	396	16.7%
11	Full Waiver	2	9.1%	3	5.3%	1	2.1%	12	36.4%	0	0.0%	3	1.0%	0	0.0%	550	65.4%	210	22.1%	0	0.0%	16	26.2%	797	33.5%
12	Total International	22		57		48		33		30		301		8		841		949		26		61		2,376	
Total																									
13	No Waiver	2,948	92.2%	466	92.5%	709	51.9%	681	86.0%	735	77.9%	1,893	68.8%	1,495	74.6%	7,257	57.3%	12,841	87.9%	963	81.5%	711	94.7%	30,699	75.3%
14	Partial Waiver	223	7.0%	28	5.6%	601	44.0%	73	9.2%	199	21.1%	802	29.1%	483	24.1%	4,336	34.2%	1,198	8.2%	206	17.4%	12	1.6%	8,161	20.0%
15	Full Waiver	28	0.9%	10	2.0%	57	4.2%	38	4.8%	9	1.0%	58	2.1%	27	1.3%	1,067	8.4%	565	3.9%	13	1.1%	28	3.7%	1,900	4.7%
16	Partial + Full Waivers	251	7.8%	38	7.5%	658	48.1%	111	14.0%	208	22.1%	860	31.2%	510	25.4%	5,403	42.7%	1,763	12.1%	219	18.5%	40	5.3%	10,061	24.7%
17	Total Degree Seeking Headcount	3,199		504		1,367		792		943		2,753		2,005		12,660		14,604		1,182		751		40,760	

Degree-seeking headcount enrollments used for calculation purposes are based on end of term enrollment for all students charged tuition and mandatory fees in the academic year. These numbers will not align with official beginning of term enrollment, however, this will not cause a substantial change in the reported data.