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Bruce Speck, President
Missouri Southern State University
3950 East Newman Road
Joplin, MO 64801-1595

Dear President Speck:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information regarding application of the Higher Education Student Funding Act (HESFA) to Missouri Southern State University for the 2011-12 academic year.

The base tuition and fee figure for your institution is $4,681.90 and the "average tuition" as defined by HESFA for this year is $6,242.23. The change in the consumer price index for the period from December 2009 to December 2010 was 1.5%.

Because Missouri Southern's tuition and fees are below the average, its statutory maximum increase for the 2011-12 academic year is the average tuition ($6,242.23) times the change in the consumer price index (0.015), which equals $93.63.

If the Missouri Southern State University Board of Governors approves an increase in relevant tuition and fees in excess of $93.63, the institution will be subject to the penalty and waiver provisions of HESFA and the policy implementing that Act adopted by the Coordinating Board at its December 18, 2007 meeting. The policy is available on the CBHE website: www.dhe.mo.gov/policy_hesfaimp.shtml.

Deputy Commissioner Paul Wagner is available at (573) 751-1794 to respond to any questions that you or members of your staff may have regarding this letter.

Regards,

David R. Russell, Ph.D.
Commissioner