



RESOLUTION

concerning

ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROGRAM FEE
FOR A
MASTERS DEGREE IN DATA MINING
TO BE OFFERED BY
CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
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November 8, 2001

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System under its statutory authority – CGS 10a-99 – reviews and establishes fees for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary, and

WHEREAS, Central Connecticut State University has developed a Masters degree in Data Mining, to be offered through *OnlineCSU*, where it would be the first and only online data mining program nationally or internationally, and

WHEREAS, On June 8, 2001, the Board of Trustees, through BR #01-46, authorized the Chancellor to seek licensure and accreditation from the Department of Higher Education Board of Governors for this program, and

WHEREAS, The Department of Higher Education Board of Governors licensed the program for a period of three years at their meeting of October 17, 2001, and

WHEREAS, The proposed fee for this program compares favorably with a somewhat related online program, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a program fee of \$19,500 is established for the online Masters of Science degree program in Data Mining offered by Central Connecticut State University, effective with the Spring, 2002 semester.

A Certified True Copy:

William J. Cibes, Jr.,
Chancellor

ITEM

Establishment of a program fee for a Masters degree in Data Mining to be offered by Central Connecticut State University through *OnlineCSU*

BACKGROUND

The Board of Trustees under its statutory authority - CGS 10a-99 - reviews and establishes fees annually for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary.

ANALYSIS

Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) has developed a Masters of Science degree program in Data Mining, to be offered through *OnlineCSU*. This program, consisting of 33 credits of graduate courses, is drawn from several existing disciplines at CCSU, including Mathematics and Computer Science, and will provide an appropriate and accessible graduate degree for CCSU alumni and others seeking professional education and a graduate credential to enhance entry or promotion in high technology employment. The program will enable its graduates to employ sophisticated computer software to identify, analyze and interpret large data collections reflecting the growing dependence in many sectors on databases. The cutting edge nature of CCSU's proposal is evidenced by the fact that there are no other comparable programs at the graduate level in Connecticut and no fully online program in this field in existence anywhere, regionally, nationally or internationally.

On June 8, 2001, the CSU Board of Trustees authorized the Chancellor to seek licensure and accreditation from the Board of Governors of the Department of Higher Education (DHE) for this program. The DHE Board of Governors licensed the program at their meeting of October 17, 2001.

The proposed fee for this program is \$19,500. Since this program is the first online MS in Data Mining in the country, there is no directly comparable program. However, the proposed fee compares favorably to a somewhat related online Masters program in Applied Statistics offered at the Rochester Institute of Technology. The program is expected to begin with the Spring, 2002 semester.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

The proposed program fee for the Masters of Science program in Data Mining to be offered by CCSU through *OnlineCSU* be approved, effective with the Spring, 2002 semester.