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To: Students - 1L - Class of 2014; Students - 2L - Class of 2013
Subject: JD Fee Increases for Next Academic Year (2012-13)

The UC Hastings Board of Directors, at its December meeting, approved an increase in student fees for the upcoming academic year. Fees are established based on several factors including the resources necessary to sustain the academic quality of the College, projected state funding, and fees assessed at other comparable law schools. This note is intended to ensure that all students are apprised well in advance of the upcoming fee increase.

Preliminary fees for the JD program were approved for the 2012-13 academic year increasing annual enrollment fees for all students to \$43,486, an increase of 15%. With the addition of activity and health-related fees (fees for which will be finalized later this year), total cost for 2012-13 will be \$46,575. To mitigate adverse impacts of the fee increase on accessibility, one-third of the incremental fee revenue will be earmarked for financial aid.

	<u>Authorized 2011-12</u>	<u>Proposed 2012-13</u>	<u>Change</u>
General Enrollment Fee	37,747	43,486	5,739
Nonresident Tuition	8,500	6,000	(2,500)
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Activity Fee	82	82	-
Health Services Fee*	526	526	-
Grad. Student Health Insurance Program *	<u>2,481</u>	<u>2,481</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Sub-total</i>	\$ 3,089	\$ 3,089	-
Total Resident	\$ 40,836	\$ 46,575	\$ 5,739
Total Nonresident	\$ 49,336	\$ 52,575	\$ 3,239

Nonresident students pay a fee in addition to the General Enrollment Fee. For 2012-13, nonresident tuition is being reduced to \$6,000 to allow Hastings to be priced competitively to benchmark institutions. With the increase in the basic enrollment fee, total cost for nonresident students will be \$52,575.

The state budget for the current academic year (2011-12) was enacted earlier this fall. Based on the current-year funding level appropriated in the Budget Act, mid-year fee increases are not being considered. However, the budget outlook for the State of California's remains unstable. Approved fee levels for both 2011-12 and 2012-13 are predicated on anticipated levels of state support; if state funding is substantially reduced in either 2011-12 or 2012-13, a further increase in student fees will need to be considered. Consequently, fees are subject to change.

Again, UC Hastings reserves the right to further increase student fees for 2012-13 should state support decreases or institutional needs and priorities require higher fee levels.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

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* Health Services and GSHIP fees are preliminary; these fees will be finalized at the June 2012 meeting of the Board of Directors.