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Faculty Senate Issue Log Form

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Title-of-Issue: Policy 6400 Tuition Assistance for Dual-Enrolment Students

Description: The August 8, 2022 revision to the ODU policy on tuition assistance eliminated a benefit which had previously been in place. Under the previous policy, students who were dual-enrolled (in high school and taking an ODU class) were eligible for tuition assistance. Under the revised policy, these students are no longer eligible. Since some local school divisions (including Norfolk) do not pay for dual enrolment, this policy change makes it substantially more costly for students of ODU faculty to take classes through dual enrolment.

Rationale: I propose a revision to the policy which would return to the status quo ante by allowing dual enrolled students to receive tuition assistance. Encouraging faculty and staff dependents to take ODU courses through dual enrolment might also assist the university in recruiting these students to continue their education at the university. The revision to language would be to replace the sentence "Tuition assistance must be for a degree-seeking program at Old Dominion University." The new sentence might read "Tuition assistance must be for a degree-seeking program at Old Dominion University, or the student must be a dual-enrolled high school student."

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