

Families of SWOSU Students:

It is still busy at SWOSU in the summer! On campus we are in the middle summer school and still have 17 summer camps still to be held. In this edition, we have included information about Dawg Camp, textbook rental and tuition increases.

Enjoy the remaining “dawg” days of summer. Please contact us with any questions you have.

New Student Orientation
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Dawg Camp for incoming freshmen and transfer students scheduled for July 20-22

Registration and \$150 deposit due July 15

The Department of Residence Life is offering a three-day **Dawg Camp** for incoming freshmen and transfer students (with less than 30 hours completed), **July 20-22**. Students will have the opportunity to experience team building activities, small group discussions, student mentoring, study skills, social activities, lake fun, and new friendships. The registration **deadline is July 15** and requires a \$150 deposit. Applications may be found online at <http://www.swosu.edu/resources/summer-camp/dawg-camp.pdf>. For additional information **contact Residence Life at 580.774.3024**.

University Bookstore opened special hours August 13-14

Textbook rental is now available

The University Bookstore welcomes SWOSU students! Here are a few special dates and hours for the fall semester:

Saturday, August 13 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday, August 14 1-4 p.m.



The University Bookstore continues to offer the program **Rent-A-Text**. Students may **rent** the books and **then return** them at the end of the semester. They will still have the freedom to highlight and take notes in the books. Students may save at least 50% off the price of a new textbook. Multiple forms of payment like book scholarships or financial aid may be used for payment of the rentals. Order early at efollett.com and register at rent-a-text.com for great savings. For more information, contact the **University Bookstore at 580.774.3245**.

The University Bookstore will be at the football games with SWOSU apparel and gifts on Parent's Day, September 10 and Homecoming, October 15.

Tuition Increase Approved for SWOSU

Other Oklahoma universities also see increases

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education recently finalized tuition and fee increases at Oklahoma universities and colleges, and SWOSU's tuition was approved for a 5.9% increase for the 2011-12 school year.

All regional universities across Oklahoma were approved for similar increases.

SWOSU's tuition/fee rate per credit hour for undergraduate, in-state tuition and mandatory fees will be \$153 per hour this fall semester.

When comparing SWOSU to similar universities across the nation in size and mission, SWOSU charges 68% of what its peers do for tuition and mandatory fees, according to the latest data from Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System. SWOSU charges \$1,911 less per academic year than its peers. **When comparing other factors such as books/supplies and room/board, SWOSU charges \$2,873 less per academic year than its peers.**

In order to help students, SWOSU continues to offer financial aid help to students with financing their college education. Jerome Wichert, director of the [SWOSU Student Financial Services Office \(580.774.3786\)](#), said students should contact his office if they have questions about how they may receive financial aid.

“SWOSU continues to boast 15 nationally-accredited academic programs—most among Oklahoma’s regional universities—and we’ll strive hard to continue keeping SWOSU as the top academic regional university in Oklahoma,” Beutler said. Beutler said the university continues to be frugal with taxpayer dollars and tries not to overburden the tuition-paying student. The university has not filled some open positions and continues to look for ways to save money.