ARTICLE 26

FEE WAIVER

26.1 The appropriate administrator shall approve requests from all tenured and probationary faculty unit employees and temporary faculty unit employees (excluding coaches) with three-year appointments pursuant to Article 12 of this Agreement for enrollment in the CSU fee waiver program subject to the provisions of this Article. Coaches must have at least six (6) consecutive years of service in the department for enrollment in the CSU fee waiver program subject to the provisions of this Article. For purposes of this section, one (1) year of service shall be considered employment of one (1) semester or two (2) quarters in the bargaining unit on a single CSU campus during a single academic year.

26.2 One (1) spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child up to age twenty-five (25) of a faculty unit employee eligible for participation in the CSU fee waiver program as defined in provision 26.1 may participate in the CSU fee waiver program in lieu of participation by the faculty unit employee, subject to the following conditions:

a. the courses are taken by a spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child who is matriculated toward a degree and the courses are for credit toward the degree’s requirements;

b. this fee waiver benefit does not apply to out-of-state tuition fees or tuition fees for self-support programs offered through extended education.

c. the administration determines that there is space available in such course offerings for the spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child;

d. the fee waiver benefit may be transferred to only one (1) spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child at a time;

e. the fee waiver benefit for eligible employees, and the fee waiver benefit for a spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child, shall be as provided in this Article; and

f. the fee waiver benefit is subject to all applicable CSU campus standard admission and academic standards/policies/procedures.
26.3 A maximum of two (2) CSU courses or six (6) units, whichever is greater, may be taken on the CSU fee waiver program per semester/quarter. Courses in self-support programs offered through extended education may not be taken on the CSU fee waiver program.

26.4 Courses taken by participating employees on the CSU fee waiver program shall be job-related courses pursuant to provision 26.5, or career development courses pursuant to provisions 26.6 — 26.7.

26.5 Job-related courses shall relate to the current assignment of the participating employee or the training or retraining of a faculty unit employee that will benefit the campus. CSU admission requirements shall not apply to job-related courses.

26.6 Career development courses shall relate to future career opportunities and assignments within the CSU. Career development courses may be taken pursuant to provision 26.7. Enrollment in career development courses shall be considered totally voluntary, and for the purpose of workers' compensation the time spent shall not be considered work time.

26.7 Approval of career development courses shall require that a program of study be established by the participating employee and an appropriate advisor of choice. Such a program of study shall require written approval of the appropriate administrator. Normally, CSU admission requirements shall be met. CSU admission requirements may be waived by the appropriate administrator.

26.8 A course taken on the CSU fee waiver program shall not conflict with scheduled classes or scheduled office hours of a participating employee.

26.9 Provided that the operational and program needs of the participating employee's department or equivalent unit are met in an orderly and normal manner, the library or coaching faculty unit employee shall be provided reasonable release time for one (1) on-campus course per semester/quarter taken pursuant to provisions 26.5 – 26.7. Reasonable release time for a participating employee at the Chancellor's Office shall be time equal to class time.

26.10 In order for a participating employee to continue participating in the CSU fee waiver program, normal academic standards shall be maintained.
26.11 A record of completed courses taken by a participating employee may be placed in the participating employee's official Personnel Action File.

26.12 The term "fee waiver" as used in this Article refers to the program that waives or reduces fees for participating employees as listed below.

The following fees shall be reduced to one dollar ($1.00) each:

Associated Student Body Association Fee;
University Union Fee; and
Health Facilities Fee

The State University Tuition Fee for participating employees shall be waived for the units of courses taken in the CSU fee waiver program. A participating employee taking CSU courses in addition to the CSU fee waiver courses shall pay the difference between the part-time State University Tuition Fee and the full-time State University Tuition Fee. A participating faculty unit employee enrolled in a doctorate program shall be eligible for a partial fee waiver equivalent to the part-time Graduate Tuition Fee and shall be responsible for paying the difference between the applicable Doctorate Fee and the part-time Graduate Tuition Fee.

The following fees shall be fully waived:

Application Fee;
Identification Card Fee;
Instructionally Related Activity Fee;
Health Services Fee; and

All Category I fees and Category II fees as defined in Executive Order 1054 that are not listed in 26.12. Category I and II fees include campus or college/school-based instructionally related fees and other fees established by campus student referendum and approved by the Chancellor.

Category III fees as defined in Executive Order 1054 shall be paid at the regular rate if such services are used, unless such services are currently provided to faculty unit employees at no charge or lower charge.

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1 CSU agrees that an individual who is currently enrolled in a CSU Doctor of Education program shall continue to be eligible to receive the current fee waiver benefit for the remainder of the program provided that they remain in good academic standing within that program.
All other fees of any category shall be paid at the regular rate.

26.13 The term “fee waiver” as used in this Article refers to the program that waives or reduces fees for a spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child as listed below.

The following fees shall be fully waived:

Application Fee; and
Identification Card Fee

The State University Tuition Fee shall be waived for the units of courses taken in the CSU fee waiver program. A spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child of a faculty unit employee taking CSU courses in addition to the CSU fee waiver courses shall pay the difference between the part-time State University Tuition Fee and the full-time State University Tuition Fee. A participating spouse, domestic partner, or dependent enrolled in a doctorate program shall be eligible for a partial fee waiver equivalent to the part-time Graduate Tuition Fee and shall be responsible for paying the difference between the applicable Doctorate Fee and the part-time Graduate Tuition Fee.

All other fees of any category shall be paid at the regular rate.

26.14 Participation in the CSU fee waiver program by a faculty unit employee shall entitle the faculty unit employee to instructional services, but not student services. Participation in the CSU fee waiver program by a spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child of a faculty unit employee shall entitle the spouse, domestic partner or dependent child to utilize all services provided to other CSU students including but not limited to student health services. Implementation of this program shall not require the CSU to displace any regularly enrolled student nor establish an additional section of a course.

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