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# Fee Hikes

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Unlike Mastercard commercials, the cost of an education at a California State University may not be "priceless" ending.

Students are currently facing a 15.5 percent increase in fees for the upcoming 2011-2012 school

\$2,520. For the 2009-2010 school year, student's fees were up to \$4,026, according to the online history of fee increases.

Students at CSUEB will be facing a \$399 fee increase for the 2011-2012 school year, according to the Board of Trustees meeting minutes from Nov. 9, 2010.

"It is not just the only fee increase we face," said CSUEB sociology major Rachel Newsom. "When I first transferred in Fall 2009, the parking permits were \$90, I thought that was a lot, until I bought one for Fall 2010 for \$130. Combined with the cost of textbooks, the overall price is beginning to be hard to swallow."

These fee increases are a direct result of the failing economy of California, according to a press release from the CSU.

The funding that the CSU receives is directly related to the state's budget and has to work with the fiscal outlook of the state, according to the CSU web