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Monday, February 27, 2023

John Ambrose
Director, Undergraduate Admission
Office of Admissions
Hannah Administration Building
426 Auditorium Road, Room 250

Re: Student Application Fee Waivers for MSU Staff

Dear Mr. Ambrose:

On behalf of the Women's Advisory Committee for Support Staff (WACSS), the Membership, Benefits, and Development subcommittee is reaching out to inquire about the feasibility of one of our identified goals: waiving the student application fee for MSU staff who register for MSU courses and degree-granting programs. Per our research, the application fee for prospective domestic students—regardless of transfer status or program level—is \$65. Additionally, we've found that international student applicants have a higher fee of \$75, but no fee waivers are currently available.



While our mission has a primary focus on the issues faced by women support staff, we are looking to support a fee waiver for all employees who are investing in higher education and career development by taking MSU courses. We have compiled a few different options for an application fee waiver program, outlined below, for your consideration. Each option could include a specified annual application deadline, such as March 1.

1. Application fee waiver for all employees—including support staff, academic staff, and faculty—regardless of program type, transfer status, and international student status.
2. Application fee waiver for all staff—both support staff and academic staff—regardless of program type, transfer status, and international student status.
3. Application fee waiver for all support staff—regardless of program type, transfer status, and international student status.
4. Application fee waiver for all support staff pursuing undergraduate degrees only, regardless of transfer or international student status.

5. Application fee waiver for all support staff utilizing the Educational Assistance Program.

We would appreciate an opportunity to discuss these possibilities with you. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Kind regards,

Taylor Unrath, subcommittee chairperson

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