

MEMO FROM THE PRESIDENT-UWLA

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TO: ALL STUDENTS  
FROM: ROBERT W. BROWN  
DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2005  
RE: 2005-2006 TUITION INCREASE

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This is to inform you that tuition for the 2005-2006 academic year will be increased. The rate for the upcoming year will be \$695 per unit. I am aware of the hardship that these increases may impose on our students, but I want to remind you that the increase is not made with a profit motive. UWLA is a private non-profit institution. We derive all of our revenues from tuition, fundraising, and grants. Tuition still only accounts for about 75-80% of our revenues leaving a 25-30% gap between tuition and expenses.

Each student makes an investment in themselves in the tuition paid for their education. Because the legal profession has the potential to provide high income earning opportunities for those successful in entering into it, this investment in yourself is likely to be one of the most rewarding investments that you will ever make. The Financial Aid Office will be arranging appointments to assist you in obtaining financial aid to help to meet the demands of this investment in your education. I encourage you to seek their assistance.

I wish to also inform you that we are negotiating for a new site for the West Los Angeles Campus. We continue to believe that a local campus in each region best serves our students in the San Fernando Valley as well as Los Angeles. We thought that we had located a suitable site for the Los Angeles campus in Santa Monica. The landlord however encountered significant local political problems of their own with the site and also requested that UWLA make a significant investment in tenant improvement, which we were not prepared to do. We are now focusing on a location in Culver City and I am hopeful that negotiations will be successful. The plan is to create a state-of-the-art campus containing all of the most recent technology and tying the two campuses together with video/audio conferencing.

We will be implementing wireless technology for all of our students to use while they are on campus. We have already installed a prototype and once the initial experimentation has occurred, we hope to be able to make it available to all of our students for their laptops.

Finally, we now have a full-time Career Development Director in Tamori Palmer. Tamori has a wealth of experience in the employment arena. We know that it is vital that our students have the support of someone like Tamori in accomplishing their initial professional career objectives. I strongly urge you to make an appointment to meet Mrs. Palmer and allow her to assist you in developing your resume and in your career pursuits. She will maintain an office at both campus locations, so be sure you stop by to meet her.

