## Fee increase 1996doesn't deter Cabrillo students

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A sizable fee increase at Cabrillo College this semester doesn't seem to be scaring students away.

A tally of mail-in registration applications indicates that the number of students signing up for classes this semester is almost equal to the spring semester's figures at this time last year.

Student services office reported that mail-in registration, which ended Friday, showed about 6,100 students have signed up for classes. Last year at the same time that figure was about 6,400.

Last semester more than 14,000 attended Cabrillo. Mail-in registration figures may be an indication that the number of students at Cabrillo will not be greatly re-

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duced despite the fee increases.

College officials speculated that fee hikes could drastically drive down enrollment figures. Fees have gone from \$6 per unit to \$10, and a cap on the fees has been removed.

Before, a student taking 15 units paid a maximum of \$60, plus miscellaneous student fees. By removing the cap, a student would have to pay about \$150 for the same number of units.

Students with bachelor's degrees fared much worse. A \$50 per unit fee for these students has also been imposed.

But the picture may get much worse. The state is proposing to raise fees again next fall. The \$10 per unit fee could go up to \$30, and students with bachelor's degree may have to pay up to \$104 per unit.