



**Finance & Administration**  
*Office of Accounting Services*

May 20, 2026

To: Executive Vice President & Chancellor James Dalton  
Interim Senior Vice Chancellor & Provost Troy Blanchard  
Senior Vice Chancellor & Dean Matt Lee  
Interim Senior Vice Chancellor & Executive Director Jennifer Rood  
Deans, Directors, and Department Heads

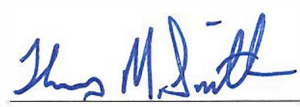
Re: Sponsored Agreement Fringe Benefit Rates FY 2026-2027


Fringe benefit rates have been established for FY 2026-2027. The rates effective for July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 are as follows:

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| Louisiana State University, including Pennington Biomedical Research Center |        |
| Employees   | 36.00% |
| 2-Year Post-Doctoral Researchers and 2-Year Interns                         | 14.00% |
| Graduate assistants – Tuition Remission                                     | 38.00% |
| Contingent/WAE labor (spend category SC6018/SC6021)                         | 7.65%  |
| Non-student employees with “F” or “J” visa (spend category SC6009)          | 36.00% |
| LSU Agricultural Center   |        |
| Employees   | 48.00% |
| 2-Year Post-Doctoral Researchers and 2-Year Interns                         | 14.00% |
| Graduate assistants – Tuition Remission                                     | 38.00% |
| Contingent/WAE labor (spend category SC6018/SC6021)                         | 7.65%  |
| Non-student employees with “F” or “J” visa (spend category SC6009)          | 48.00% |

Effective immediately, these rates will apply to new proposals, all gifts, and expired fixed price agreements. Effective July 1, 2026, these rates will apply to existing awards and any requests for additional or supplemental funding of existing awards. The tuition remission rate applies to all restricted and auxiliary accounts.

If clarification or additional information is needed, please contact Elahe Russell at [erussell@lsu.edu](mailto:erussell@lsu.edu).

  
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