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The Arizona Board of regents on Thursday rejected student calls for a tuition freeze, voting instead to raise tuition at all three state universities.

The decision was disappointing for UA students who have seen tuition nearly double in the past six years. But University of Arizona President Robert Shelton said that even with the increase, the UA remains a bargain for students.

At the UA, tuition for resident undergraduate students will rise by 9.8 percent to \$5,531, while non-resident undergrads' tuition will go up by 14.7 percent.

The regents approved plans at Arizona State and Northern Arizona universities that increase tuition for continuing resident undergraduate students by 6.9 percent and 7.8 percent respectively, while new residents will be hit with increases of 13.9 percent at ASU and 12.5 percent at NAU.

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