

University of Idaho and University of Idaho Foundation, Inc. Gift Fees

The University of Idaho and the University of Idaho Foundation, Inc., continue to work together to keep administrative and other costs such as marketing, fundraising, and strategic opportunities for promoting the University, as low as possible. Together, we are committed to securing and managing private funds to support the mission of the University of Idaho and its growing impact of our people and programs on our state, region, and nation.

The reality today is that state-supported universities across America have faced a decline in public funding making the role of private support even more critical. In addition, unrestricted or flexible funds are decreasing as private donors target their giving to specific programs of interest. Without private support, it is safe to say that the University of Idaho would not be the leading institution it is today. Simply put, private support enables and empowers the University of Idaho to achieve and inspire excellence.

We are committed to a policy of transparency and disclosure regarding fees.

The following assessments will be effective July 1, 2013:

- A gift assessment of 5% on all new gifts. (For public universities, the national average is over 5 %.)
- The Foundation's Consolidated Investment Trust (CIT) endowment pool will be assessed 1% annually to cover the cost of managing and investing the fund. (The national average is 1.3%).

These assessments will fund the administration of the Foundation – including the prudent investment of our endowment pool – and the strategic investments the University needs to engage our external constituents, tell our important story broadly, and raise critically needed private contributions.

Assessments are critical and essential for the University of Idaho to continue our commitment to excellence. We are proud that 100% of private contributions to the Foundation support the University of Idaho with 95% of those dollars going directly to the fund the donor has identified.

Thank you for your trust and support of our commitment to excellence as the University and the Foundation continue to keep costs low and the return on your investment high.