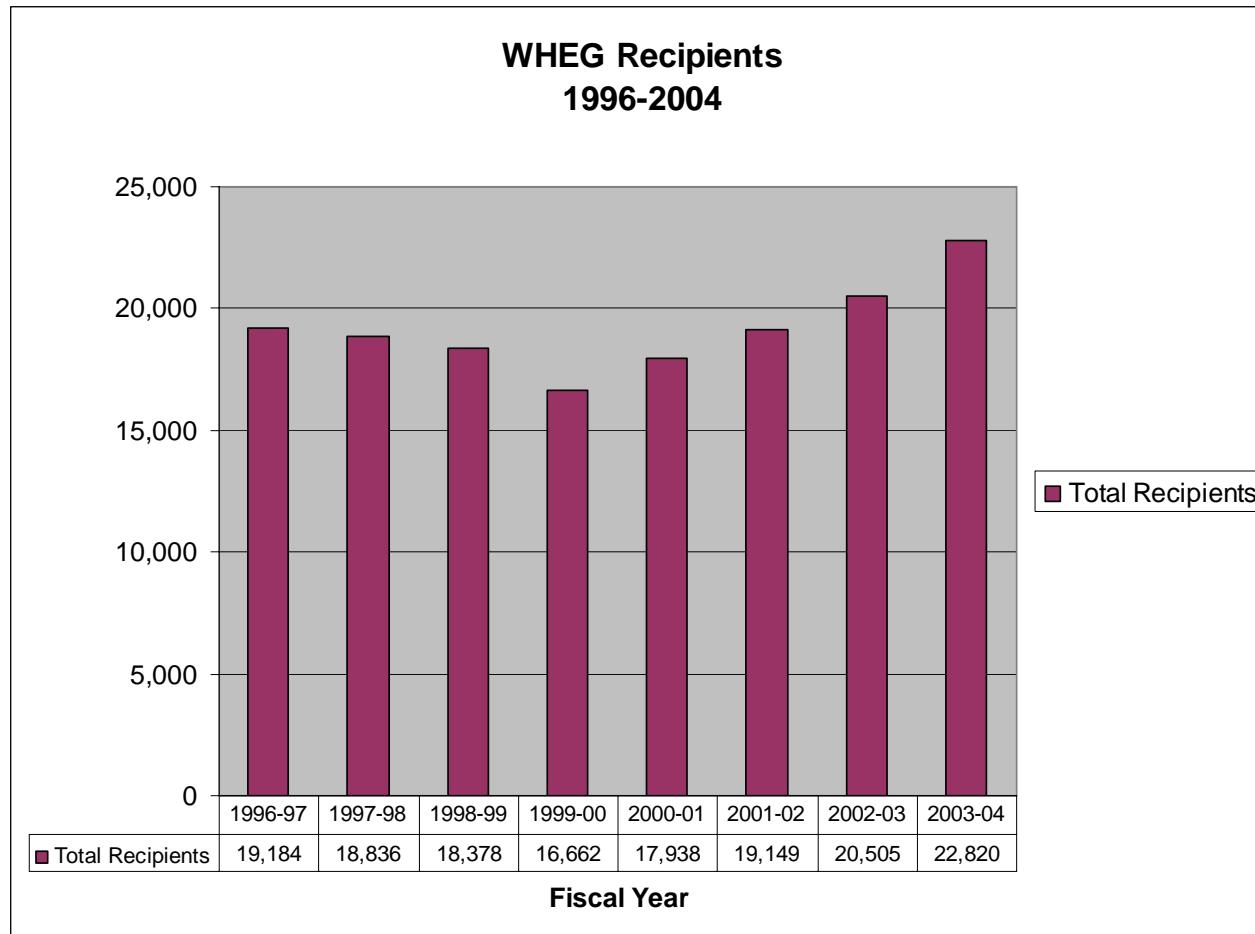


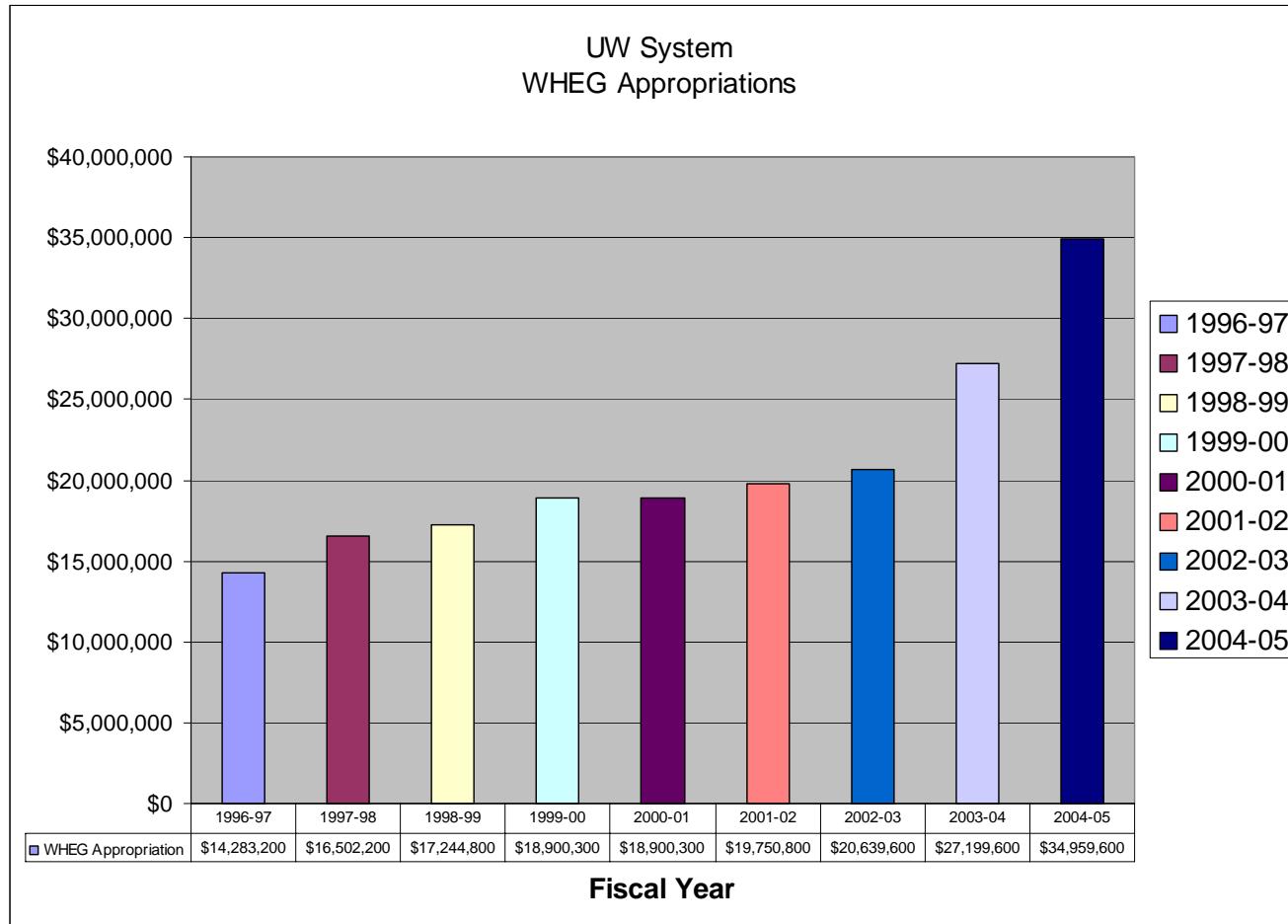
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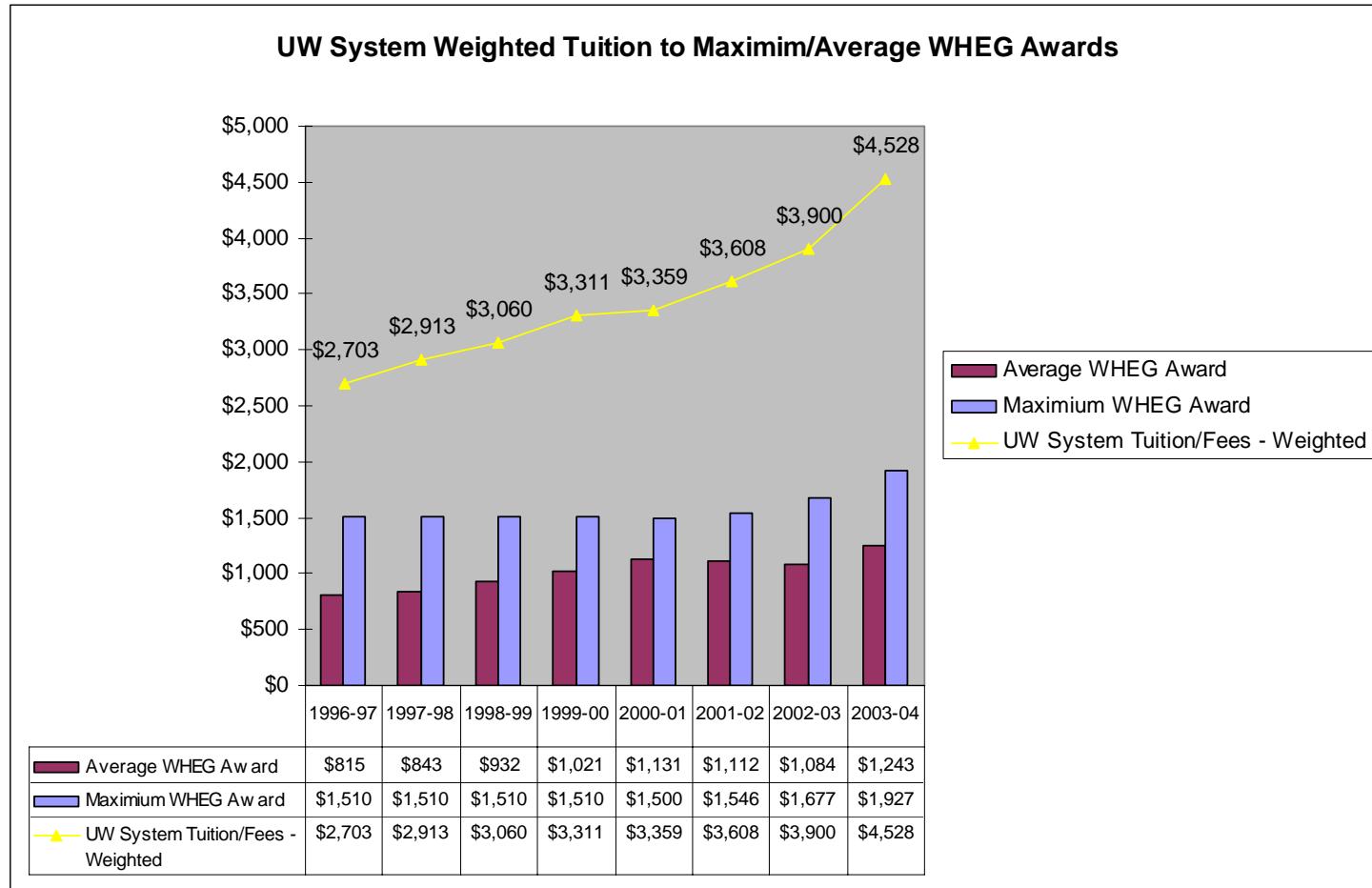
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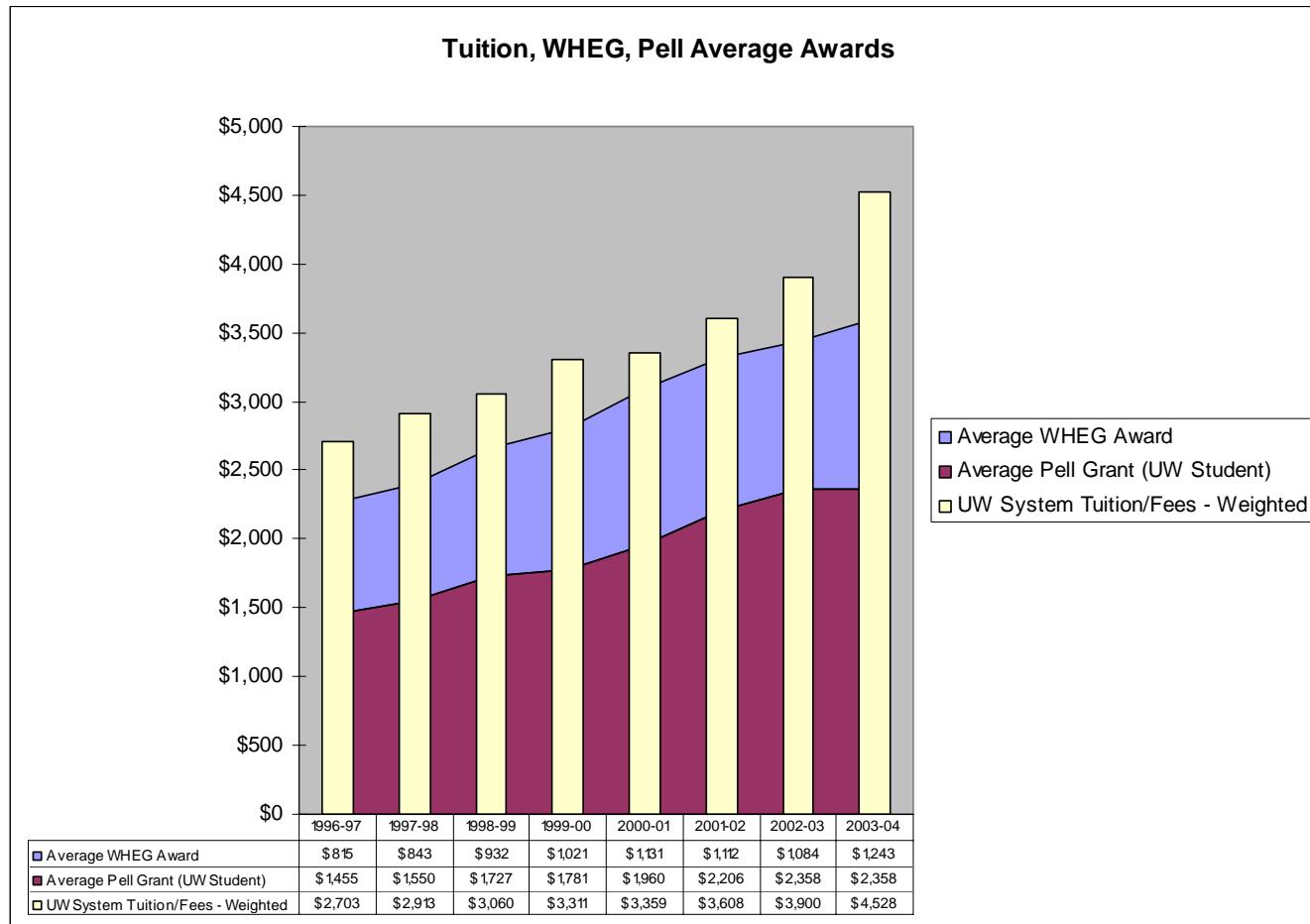
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Tuition/Fees Compared to Maximum and Average WHEG Awards

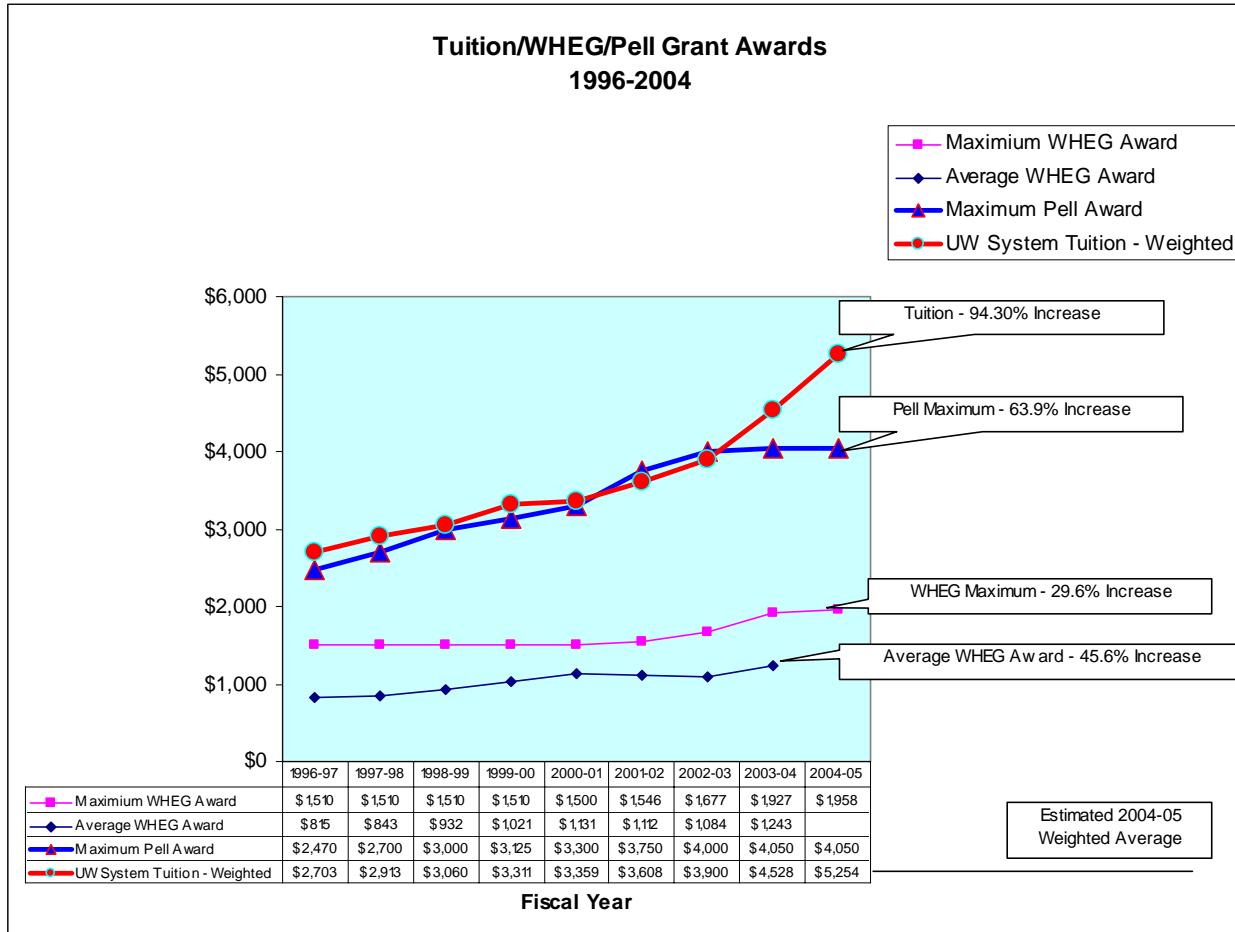


Tuition/Fees, WHEG, and Pell Grant Average Awards



Tuition/Fees, WHEG, & Federal Pell Grants

1996-2004



Conclusion

- The current gap between grant funding and tuition/fees creates a dilemma for the student.
 - Additional costs for Room/Board, Transportation, Books, etc. need to be covered by the student. This means:
 - Borrowing from federal loan programs at increasing levels and most recently using alternative loans from private sources. This places a heavy burden on the neediest students in UW System schools.
 - Use of credit cards.
 - Working longer hours which takes time away from the classroom and has been shown through research to have a negative impact on retention and graduation.
- At the very least, the neediest students need to be “held harmless” from future increases in tuition/fees.