

**South Carolina
Higher Education
Tuition Grants Commission**

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING
INITIAL 2016-17 SOUTH CAROLINA TUITION GRANTS**

After an analysis of projected available funds and the projected number of student recipients (including a small projected increase of 1/2% in eligible students for 2016-2017), following the established awarding philosophy of equalized grant values, the Commission staff recommends to the Commission that initial Maximum Grants for 2016-2017 be approved as follows:

Using the budget amounts as approved by the House Ways & Means Committee, and expecting that the \$2,534,474 increase in recurring funds will carry through the State Budget Process, the Maximum Grant should be set at \$3200.