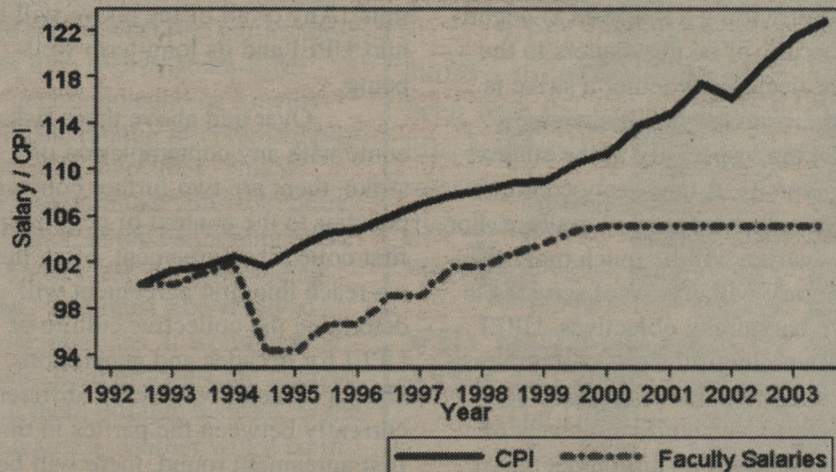


Thought provoking facts & figures

•The overall UPEI budget has grown by 50% since 1998, due to tuition and enrolment increases. Thus, students have already done their part. UPEIFA salaries, have NOT risen by a similar amount (*see figure*), neither has spending on academic programs. Where is your tuition going ?

Growth in UPEI Faculty Salaries
Relative to Inflation



Source: Salary Contracts / CPI Index

•In the same period, there has been an increase of 85% in spending on administration at UPEI. What are the spending priorities at UPEI ?

•St Thomas University has the lowest tuition (\$3695), yet the highest salaries in the region. How are they doing it ?

•The starting salary for a new faculty member (Step 1 on the Assistant Professor salary grid) at UPEI is currently \$41,000. Professors have completed 20-23 years of education (more than most engineers, lawyers, accountants, dentists, and even many medical doctors).

We do **not** want to strike. We understand student anxiety at this difficult time. You may be reassured to know that a faculty strike in Canada has never resulted in the loss of a semester. Your professors and librarians will do everything they can to ensure that students are not penalized because of our labour negotiations.

We encourage you to examine both sides of this issue. More details on the Board of Governor's position can be found at www.upeinegotiations.ca/. For more information from the UPEIFA, visit the web site: www.upeifa.org.

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