

1. SUMMARY

The University of Ottawa Students' Union (UOSU) has been recognized as the official student government for full-time and part-time undergraduate students, replacing the Student Federation of the University of Ottawa (SFUO).

The SFUO collected termly fees totalling **\$104.64** per full-time member, plus a yearly U-Pass fee of \$415.04 and a yearly health insurance fee of \$234.70. Of the fees collected by the SFUO, **27%** were non-essential (optional), subject to conditions.

The UOSU proposes to collect termly fees totalling **\$105.88** per full-time member, plus a yearly Health Insurance Fee of \$245.00. Of the fees collected by the UOSU, 71% would be non-essential (optional), subject to conditions. Part-time members would pay termly fees totalling \$53.71, plus a yearly Health Insurance Fee of \$245.00.

The classification of fees as either essential (mandatory) or non-essential (optional) is presented for information and is subject to change following the release of final classification guidelines by the Ministry of Training, Colleges, and Universities.

The UOSU proposes to collect the following fees:

2. ESSENTIAL (MANDATORY) FEES

2.1 Essential Services Fees

The UOSU proposes to collect the following Essential Services Fees:

1. A termly **Core Operations Fee** of \$12.00 per full-time member and \$6.00 per part-time member, which would be used to meet basic operational costs, including the cost of administering essential services.
2. A termly **Health, Wellness, and Safety Fee** of \$17.48 per full-time member and \$8.74 per part-time member, which would be used to provide counselling and peer support services, as well as other services that contribute to student health and wellness, including a walksafe program.
3. A termly **Academic Support Fee** of \$16.21 per full-time member and \$8.11 per part-time member, which would be used to provide academic support services, including peer tutoring and representation in cases of academic misconduct.
4. A termly **Financial Aid Fee** of \$6.49 per member, which would be used to provide financial aid to individual students, and to maintain the Student Refugee Program.
5. A termly **Athletics and Recreation Fee** of \$4.50 per full-time member and \$2.25 per part-time member, which would be used to provide programming and equipment related to cycling, and to support student-initiated athletic programming.

The Essential Services Fees would be essential (mandatory). The UOSU would be authorized to increase the Essential Services Fees yearly at the rate of inflation.

2.2 Central Services Fee

In order to provide services jointly with the University of Ottawa, the SFUO collected termly central services fees totalling \$4.33 per full-time member and \$2.17 per part-time member. The UOSU proposes to collect a termly **Central Services Fee** of \$10.39 per full-time member and \$5.20 per part-time member. The Central Services Fee would be used to support the Career Development Centre, Student Academic Success Service, and the Office of the Ombudsman.

The Central Services Fee would be essential (mandatory). The UOSU would be authorized to increase the Central Services Fee yearly at the rate of inflation.

3. NON-ESSENTIAL (OPTIONAL) FEES

3.1 Student Life Fee

The UOSU proposes to collect a termly **Student Life Fee** of \$23.00 per full-time member and \$11.50 per part-time member, which would be used to provide orientation programming and to support student clubs and faculty associations.

The Student Life Fee would be non-essential (optional). The UOSU would be authorized to increase the Student Life Fee yearly at the rate of inflation

3.2 Campus Organizations

The SFUO collected the following termly fees on behalf of other campus organizations:

1. CHUO 89.1 FM Community Radio (\$4.99/full-time; \$2.61/part-time)
2. *La Rotonde* (\$3.40/full-time; \$1.83/part-time)
3. Ontario Public Interest Research Group (\$4.02)
4. *The Fulcrum* (\$3.40/full-time; \$1.83/part-time)

The UOSU proposes to collect the same termly Campus Organization Fees. The UOSU would be authorized to increase the Campus Organization Fees yearly at the rate of inflation.

The Campus Organization Fees would be individually non-essential (optional).

4. HEALTH INSURANCE FEE

The SFUO collected a yearly health insurance fee of \$234.70 per full-time member. The UOSU proposes to collect a yearly **Health Insurance Fee** of \$245.00 per member, which would be used to provide a comprehensive health, dental, and travel insurance plan.

The Health Insurance Fee would be non-essential (optional) for members with equivalent coverage.

The SFUO was authorized to increase the health insurance fee by 8.0% per year. The UOSU would also be authorized to increase the Health Insurance Fee by up to 8.0% per year, in order to increase and maintain quality of coverage.

5. QUESTION

Are you in favour of the collection of the termly fees and rates of increase described above, totalling \$105.88 per full-time member and \$53.71 per part-time member (effective the Spring-Summer 2019 term), plus a yearly Health Insurance Fee of \$245.00 (effective the Fall 2019 term)?

Yes

No