

Student Activity Fee

Frequently Asked Questions



What is the Student Activity Fee?

The Student Activity Fee is included in each undergraduate student's semester tuition and funds student organizations and campus departments.

How do the students benefit from the Student Activity Fee?

The Student Activity Fee is designed to enhance the student experience by funding a variety of co-curricular activities. For instance, it covers major events like Welcome Week and OLÉ! Weekend, providing opportunities for students to engage and connect. Additionally, the fee supports academic research grants, enabling students to pursue their professional goals and aspirations.

Student organizations registered under the Student Activities and Involvement Office on campus are funded through the Student Activity Fee. In addition, we currently allocate funds to 15 campus departments, such as the Black Student Resource Commons, Changemaker HUB, Fraternity and Sorority Life, LGBTQ+ & Allies community, and many others that use this funding to support the well being of our students.

How is the Student Activity Fee allocated?

The primary function of the Finance Committee is to develop the Associated Student Government (ASG) budget from the Student Activity Fee. The budget is allocated between the ASG Executive Board, ASG Senate, ASG Judicial Branch, Torero Program Board (TPB), and the Centers funded by ASG.

The Finance Committee is composed of the ASG President, Vice-President, TPB Chair, the Speaker of the Senate, and the four standing Senate Committee Chairs. The Finance Committee meets quarterly to review financial reports and allocate funding.

More information on the breakdown:

Associated Student Government (ASG) Executive Team 35%

The funding is distributed to each member of the executive board: President, Vice-President, Finance Chair, Public Relations Chair, Chief of Justice, Chief of Staff, and the Speaker of the Senate.

The Executive Board manages the funding and supports different events that benefit the student community such as:

- Welcome Week and Olé Weekend
- Academic Research Grants
- ASG Textbook Reserve
- Funding student organizations on campus - includes events open to the entire student body, educational activities, and training/development opportunities.
- ASG Giveaways and Promotional Items
- Civic Engagement Fund
- Food Pantry/Torero Closet
- Senate Initiative Fund/Get Involved Fund

Torero Program Board (TPB) 30%

TPB is in charge of programming large scale events for the student body.

Common Events:

- Taste of TPB
- Senior Salute
- Special Events
 - Latinx Heritage Month
 - National Voter Registration
 - Wellness Events
- Homecoming Week
- End of the Semester Event

Centers 15%

Budgetary support for 15 campus departments, these include:

- Black Student Resource Commons
- Changemaker HUB
- Center for Health and Wellness Promotion
- Community and Leadership Development
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- LGBTQ+ & Allies Commons
- Mulvaney Center for Community, Awareness and Social Action
- USD TRiO McNair Scholars Program
- Outdoor Adventures
- Student Activities and Involvement
- Sport Clubs

- Student Support Services
- United Front Multicultural Commons
- USD Military & Veterans Program
- Women's Commons

The resources that these centers receive are for the benefit of our undergraduate students.

ASG Operations & Creative Zone 20%

ASG Operations supports the daily administration and operating costs for the undergraduate student government.

The funds are allocated to:

- Fall & Spring Training
- Work Service Awards
- ASG Professional Staff Salary
- ASG Summer Student Employees

ASG Creative Zone

- Graphic Design Services
- Poster making supplies
- Arts and Crafts supplies
- Game rentals