FAQ Student Activity Fee



Why will the Student Activity Fee be kept this semester?

ASG's Executive Board made the decision to keep the Student Activity Fee in order to continue providing the undergraduate student body with support and resources. These items would otherwise have to be cut without the support of this fee.

We are facing times of uncertainty and financial hardships. The ASG Executive Board's main priority is to serve the student body. Keeping the student activity fee enables us to support our students through virtual programming such as Welcome Week 2020, OLÉ! Weekend, Alcalá Bazaar, the USD Food Pantry/Torero Closet, Academic Grants, budgetary support for 15 campus departments, and student organization funding.

ASG understands your frustration with us from keeping the student activity fee, but we will commit ourselves to show you results that have a positive impact for all of you.

How do the students benefit from the Student Activity Fee?

The main purpose of this fee is for the student to take advantage of it. The student activity fee allocates funds to many activities that support students. Big events such as Welcome Week and OLÉ! Weekend are funded by this fee. Academic research grants are funded by this fee, which gives students the opportunity to support our students' professional aspirations.

School organizations on campus are funded through our student activity fee, With the given situation, we strive to maximize the endless opportunities with this fee as much as possible remotely. There are numerous events in the works to provide students an opportunity to grow and feel welcome outside of the classroom environment. We support these organizations by allocating funds through speaker fees, educational activities, conferences, philanthropic events, fundraisers, and events open to the entire student body.

We allocated funds to 15 campus departments consider adding a part here stating that the commons are working on numerous virtual events that continue to support students 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 then 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 budget from the student activity fee. The budget is allocated between the ASG Executive Board, ASG Senate, ASG Judicial Branch, Torero Program Board, and the Centers funded by Associated Student Government.

The Finance Committee is composed of the ASG President, Vice-President, Torero Program Board (TPB) Chair, the Speaker of the Senate, and the four standing committee chairs of the Associated Student Government Senate.

The Finance Committee meets regularly to discuss the allocations of funds. Every quarter a special meeting is held to review quarterly financial reports.

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 2020 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.

For the Fall 2020/Remote Semester:

- Taste of TPB
- Senior Salute
- Special Events
 - Hispanic Heritage Month
 - National Voter Registration
 - Wellness Events
- TPB Lecture Series
- 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
- Commuter Commons
- 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 Graduate Assistant Wages
- ASG Professional Staff Salary
- ASG Summer Student Employees

ASG Creative Zone

• Graphic Design Services and Supplies