

GREEN FEE FACT SHEET

Purpose of the fee:

- This fee helps to fund UGA's Office of Sustainability and its role in both coordinating existing programs that reduce the University's environmental impact on each of its campuses as well as establishing new or more comprehensive programs with the same objective. This fee also supports student internships in the Office of Sustainability, student research/service grants, and environmental education initiatives.

Fee amount and annual budget:

- Academic Year 2017 – 2018 - \$3 per semester
 - o Academic Year 2017 – 2018 Budget - \$239,000

How the fee revenue is used to support students:

- The Green Fee originated as a student-led initiative during the 2009 Student Government Association election. The student green fee provides support to the Office of Sustainability and other sustainability initiatives at UGA.
- The projected FY 2018 Green Fee budget includes:
 - o \$71,000 for student internships
 - o \$40,000 for campus sustainability grants
 - o \$85,000 for sustainability initiatives
 - o \$43,000 for Office of Sustainability personnel
- UGA President Jere W. Morehead increased institutional support for the Office of Sustainability in the amount of \$80,000 per year starting in FY 2016. This support expanded funding for sustainability initiatives at UGA without increasing student fees.

Annual fee review and approval:

- The fee is approved annually by members of the Mandatory Student Fee Committee. This committee consists of 4 UGA administrators and 4 UGA students. The students are appointed on behalf of the Student Government Association and the Graduate Student Association, and include undergraduate and graduate representation. The committee reviews the annual fee recommendation and associated budget and makes recommendations to the President of UGA, who ultimately recommends the fee to the Board of Regents.
- Once approved by the Board, the fee is implemented for the associated academic year.

Other information:

- For more information, please visit http://www.busfin.uga.edu/bursar/tuition_mandatory_fee_policy.pdf
- Contact: Office of Sustainability (sustain@uga.edu/706-542-1301) or visit <https://sustainability.uga.edu/> for additional information.