

HEALTH FEE FACT SHEET

Purpose of the fee:

- *This fee supports operation of the Joint Commission accredited, University Health Center, whose mission is to advance the well-being of students and other members of the University community and support student success and retention by providing primary and specialty health care, education and prevention focused services, and research which contributes to the health knowledge and skills.*

Fee amount and history:

- *Academic Year(s) 2019 – 2022 - \$206 per semester*
- *Academic Year 2018 – 2019 - \$203 per semester*
- *Academic Year 2017 – 2018 - \$199 per semester*
- *Academic Year(s) 2014 – 2017 - \$196 per semester*
- *Academic Year(s) 2010 – 2013 - \$191 per semester*
- *Academic Year 2021 – 2022 Budget - \$14 million*

Detail of how the fee revenue is to be used (should provide historical context where appropriate):

- *Revenue from the health fee supports the staffing and the operations of the University Health Center's comprehensive and integrated, multi-disciplinary medical, emotional, and wellness services such as reduced rates for office visits, Campus Primary Care Medical Home for urgent and routine medical needs, Specialty Clinics including Counseling and Psychiatric Services, Women's Health, Pharmacy, Sports Medicine, Dental, Physical Therapy, Massage Therapy, Allergy and Travel, Vision, Dental, Dermatology, Nutrition., Health Promotion and Wellness Education, Fontaine Center for Alcohol Awareness and Education, and Interpersonal Violence Victim Support that includes a 24 hour hotline, and a 24/7/365 crisis/on call service with CAPS.*

Annual fee review and approval:

- *The University Health Center's Executive Director reviews the budget and presents the fee proposal to the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC). Consisting of approximately 20 diverse students representing graduate, professional, undergraduate, and international students, SHAC determines if the fee request moves forward. The SHAC vote must be unanimous for the Executive Director to proceed to the Mandatory Student Fee Committee. If SHAC votes to proceed, they will write a letter of support, which is added to the Health Fee Proposal.*
- *The fee is reviewed 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 includes undergraduate and graduate representation. The committee reviews the annual fee recommendation and associated budget and makes recommendations to the President of UGA for the fee 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 additional information, visit the [University of Georgia Mandatory Fee Policy \(https://busfin.uga.edu/bursar/bursar_fees_policy\)](https://busfin.uga.edu/bursar/bursar_fees_policy) to learn more about the hours requirement for assessment of the Health Fee.*
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