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**TO:** University Affairs Board

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**PRESENTER:** See Sponsor.

**DATE:** April 24, 2025, for May 1, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM:** 6 (c)

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

Student Societies: Requests for Fee Increases – St. George & University-Wide

**JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

Section 5 of the *Terms of Reference* lists student societies and compulsory non-academic incidental fees among the University Affairs Board’s areas of responsibility.

Sections 5.2.1 and 5.2.2 provide that compulsory non-academic incidental fees for representative student committees and divisional student societies “are approved by the Board”.

**GOVERNANCE PATH:**

1. University Affairs Board [For Approval] (May 1, 2025)

**PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

Requests for changes to existing student society fees and/or the establishment of new fees may be brought forward to the University Affairs Board on one or more occasions each year. The Board last considered changes to St. George and University-wide student society fees on April 11, 2024.

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

The following student organizations have requested changes to fees charged on their behalf by the University or for the University to begin charging fees on their behalf:

- Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students
- Dental Students’ Society
- Engineering Society
- Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association

- Innis College Student Society
- Undergraduate Pharmacy Society
- University College Literary & Athletic Society
- University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union
- University of Toronto Students' Union
- The Varsity

Details regarding these requests and the recommendations below are provided in the included memorandum.

The requests were reviewed by the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students in light of the requirements of the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and found to be in compliance.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no direct financial implications for the University's operating budget.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Be It Resolved,

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$9.45 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- (b) an increase of \$7.29 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee; and
- (c) an increase of \$0.09 per session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Dental Students' Society** fee be increased by \$5.00 per fall and winter session.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Engineering Society** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.53 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee (\$0.50 for part-time students);
- (b) the continuation of the Aerospace Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (c) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the Concrete Canoe Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (d) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.45 per fall and winter session in, the Concrete Toboggan Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (e) the continuation of the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (f) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.50 per fall and winter session in, the Engineers in Action portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);

- (g) the continuation of the Engineers Without Borders portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (h) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.05 per fall and winter session in, the Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (i) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (j) the continuation of the Robotics for Space Exploration portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (k) the continuation of the Seismic Design Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (l) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.75 per fall and winter session in, the Supermileage Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (m) the establishment of \$0.50 per fall and winter session in the Troistky Bridge Building Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time); and
- (n) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the UTWind portion of the fee through 2026-27 for full-time students.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$100.00 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee; and
- (b) the continuation of, and a decrease of \$50.00 per fall and winter session in, the Special Projects Fund portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Innis College Student Society** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.48 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee;
- (b) an increase of \$1.50 per fall and winter session in the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee; and
- (c) an increase of \$15.94 per fall and winter session in the Orientation portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **Undergraduate Pharmacy Society** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$15.39 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee for Doctor of Pharmacy students in the three-year program; and
- (b) an increase of \$6.39 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee for Doctor of Pharmacy students in the four-year program.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **University College Literary & Athletic Society** fee be increased by \$0.19 per fall and winter session (\$0.07 for part-time students).

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union** fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.63 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee (\$0.32 per fall session and \$0.31 per winter session for part-time students);
- (b) an increase of \$17.04 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- (c) an increase of \$1.10 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- (d) an increase of \$0.03 per fall session and \$0.02 per winter session in the Bikechain portion of the fee (\$0.01 per fall session and \$0.02 per winter session for part-time students);
- (e) an increase of \$0.18 per fall and winter session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee (\$0.09 for part-time students);
- (f) an increase of \$0.06 per fall session and \$0.05 per winter session in the Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG portion of the fee (\$0.03 per fall and winter session for part-time students);
- (g) an increase of \$0.13 per fall session and \$0.12 per winter session in the Regenesis portion of the fee (\$0.06 per fall and winter session for part-time students); and
- (h) an increase of \$0.02 per fall session and \$0.01 per winter session in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee (\$0.01 per fall and winter session for part-time students).

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the **University of Toronto Students' Union** (UTSU; legally, the Students' Administrative Council) fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.39 per session in the society portion of the fee;
- (b) an increase of \$12.95 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- (c) an increase of \$10.82 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee;
- (d) an increase of \$0.18 per session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee;
- (e) an increase of \$0.04 per session in the Community Housing & Employment Support Services portion of the fee;
- (f) an increase of \$0.07 per session in the Downtown Legal Services portion of the fee;
- (g) an increase of \$0.01 per session in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee;
- (h) an increase of \$0.04 per session in the Student Refugee Program portion of the fee;
- (i) an increase of \$1.77 per session in the Bikechain portion of the fee; and
- (j) establishment of \$3.00 per session in the Regenesis portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Winter 2026 session, the UTSU fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.51 per session in the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee; and
- (b) an increase of \$0.95 per session in the Student Commons Operating Levy portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, **The Varsity's** (legally, Varsity Productions) society fee be increased by \$0.02 per session for graduate students and \$0.06 per session for undergraduate students.

**DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:**

- Student Societies: Request for Fee Increases – St. George & University-Wide



**To:** Members of the University Affairs Board  
**From:** Professor Sandy Welsh, Vice-Provost, Students  
**Date:** April 16, 2025  
**Re:** Student Societies: Request for Fee Increases – St. George & University-Wide

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Fee change requests from several St. George and University-wide student society have been received by the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students (OVPS) and described below. The OVPS has reviewed the requests below in light of the requirements of the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees*, has found them to be in compliance with these requirements, and has recommended them for approval.

Fee increase requests from student societies must meet a set of requirements. Section B.4 of the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* outlines the University's expectations:

*Requests to change the fee collected on behalf of a student society and requests for new fees shall be approved only when evidence has been presented that the request has been authorized by due constitutional process in the organization. The procedures to request approval of a new fee or an increase to an existing fee shall be published in the Handbook for Student Societies.*

#### *Cost-of-Living Increases*

*(a) Where the amount of an increase in the fee charged is not greater than the year-over-year change in consumer prices for Ontario as measured by Statistics Canada (December-over-December) as of December 31 of the previous year, the request must be supported by the results of a previous referendum approving the principle of a cost-of-living adjustment. In special circumstances (e.g., when a portion of a student society fee is designated for a health plan or capital project), other inflation indexes or predetermined inflation factors may be used, provided that the request is supported by the results of a previous referendum approving the use of the specific inflation index or predetermined inflation factor.*

#### *Referendum Requirement*

*(b) Where the amount of an increase in the fee charged is greater than the year-over-year change in consumer prices, the request must be supported by the majority of the society's members voting in a recent referendum.*

The *Handbook for Student Societies*, which is published by the OVPS on an annual basis, also provides that student society fee change requests must include the following:

*Evidence that the request to change the existing fee (or to institute a new charge) has been authorized by due constitutional process of the organization. This evidence should include a copy of or specific reference to the section of the society's constitution which related to the mechanism for fee changes, minutes of the meeting at which the resolution to request the change was*

*passed, details and results of any referenda related to the subject which may have been held within the division, and publicity given the matter to ensure that those who may be affected by the change are aware of the proposal, including size and purpose of the increase, and have had the opportunity to make their views known.*

Normally, the administration intersects with student society fee change processes at two points. Initially, student societies are asked to seek advice from the OVPS on the wording of their referendum questions (with respect to clarity and technical language). The second point occurs after the referendum, when the society makes the formal request for a fee change. The recommendation for approval is derived from the assessment of whether or not the society has met the requirements established in the *Policy* and relevant procedures.

Occasionally, the OVPS is asked to look into complaints about referendum procedures and compliance with relevant portions of the society's constitution and/or by-laws. The results of these investigations play a significant role in the assessment of the request and the recommendation for approval.

The assessment of fee change requests is normally based upon the following expectations:

1. The student society must make the request in a manner consistent with the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and the University's procedures for changes to student society fees;
2. When required, there must be a positive result in a referendum for a fee increase (special conditions established by the society, such as quorum, must also be met);
3. The referendum question should be clear and provide enough information for the society's members to gain a full understanding of the implications of the question and the proposed fee;
4. The referendum must be held in a fair manner, promoted in a reasonable manner, and provide all of the society's members with a reasonable opportunity to vote; and
5. The student society must comply with the provisions of its own constitution, by-laws, rules of procedure, and specific policies and procedures approved by its board or council.

Student societies that have previously received approval (through a previous referendum) from their members for an annual cost-of-living increase in one or more of the society's portions of its fee may request increases, upon approval by the society's board or council, of up to the previous Ontario December-over-December Consumer Price Index, as calculated by Statistics Canada. The December 2024 consumer price index for Ontario was 1.7%.

However, as outlined in the excerpt from the *Policy* above, where members of a society have given consent (through a previous referendum) to the concept of inflationary increases according to a specific inflation factor or measure, this inflation factor may be used. For example, the Association of Part-time Students, the University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union, and the University of Toronto Students' Union may each request increases of up to 10% in the Health and Dental Plan portions of their fees.

It is important to note that, it is the student society's own constitution, by-laws, and established policies that set the standards for acceptable results in referenda. In some cases, society constitutions establish a minimum voter turnout in order to consider a referendum result to be valid. The University has not established additional criteria with respect to valid referendum voter turnout.

In addition, with respect to both requests for fee changes based on a referendum and those only requiring the approval of a society's board or council, the administration relies on the assurances of student societies that due constitutional processes and fair procedures have been followed.

## Summary of Changes

### Cost-of-Living and Inflationary Increases (No New Referendum Required)

Student Society	Description of Fee
Association of Part-time Students	Inflationary increase – Health Plan
	Inflationary increase – Dental Plan
	Cost-of-living increase – Canadian Federation of Students
Engineering Society	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee
Innis College Student Society	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee
University College Literary & Athletic Society	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee
University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee
	Inflationary increase – Health Plan
	Inflationary increase – Dental Plan
	Cost-of-living increase – Bikechain
	Cost-of-living increase – Canadian Federation of Students
	Cost-of-living increase – Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG
	Cost-of-living increase – Regenesis
	Cost-of-living increase – Sexual Education Centre
University of Toronto Students' Union	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee
	Inflationary increase – Health Plan
	Inflationary increase – Dental Plan
	Inflationary increase – Student Commons Capital Levy
	Inflationary increase – Student Commons Operating Levy
	Cost-of-living increase – Canadian Federation of Students
	Cost-of-living increase - Community Housing & Employment Support Services
	Cost-of-living increase – Downtown Legal Services
	Cost-of-living increase – Sexual Education Centre
	Cost-of-living increase – Student Refugee Program
Varsity Publications	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee (graduate)
	Cost-of-living increase – Society fee (undergraduate)

## New or Continuing Fees and Increases Requiring a Referendum

<b>Student Society</b>	<b>Description of Fee</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain or Spoil</b>	<b>Total Ballots</b>	<b>Eligible Voters</b>
Dental Students' Society	Increase Society Fee	7	0	0	0	455
Engineering Society	Continue Aerospace Team	291	206	5	502	6,325
	Continue & increase Concrete Canoe Team	231	147	10	388	6,325
	Continue & increase Concrete Toboggan Team	244	146	8	398	6,325
	Continue Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario	196	135	10	341	6,325
	Continue & increase Engineers in Action	268	121	9	398	6,325
	Continue Engineers Without Borders	295	102	6	403	6,325
	Continue & increase Formula SAE Racing Team	248	240	11	499	6,325
	Continue & increase Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	223	155	5	383	6,325
	Continue Robotics for Space Exploration	238	152	5	395	6,325
	Continue Seismic Design Team	207	150	7	364	6,325
	Continue & increase Supermileage Team	262	171	7	440	6,325
	Establish Troistky Bridge Building Team	236	138	7	381	6,325
	Continue & increase UTWind	250	159	9	418	6,325
Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association	Increase society fee; continue & decrease Special Projects Fund	82	11	34	127	529
Innis College Student Society	Increase Innis College Orientation	118	74	0	192	2,183
	Increase World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program	119	64	0	183	2,183
	Establish cost-of-living allowance for WUSC Student Refugee Program	118	65	0	183	2,183
Undergraduate Pharmacy Society	Increase Society Fee	47	41	0	88	1,021
University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Change to inflationary allowance for Health Plan & Dental Plan	3,638	568	391	4,597	21,674
University of Toronto Students' Union	Increase Bikechain	2,225	1,350	1,578	5,153	41,346
	Establish Regenesys	2,127	1,189	1,837	5,153	41,346

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# Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students (APUS)

## Background

The total APUS fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all part-time undergraduate students on all campuses, was \$186.37 per session. The fee included:

- \$94.47 per session for the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- \$72.89 per session for the Dental Plan portion of the fee; and
- \$4.86 per session for the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

## Requests

### 1. An inflationary increase in the Health Plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on January 24, 2025, the APUS Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Health Plan portion of the fee. At its Annual General Meeting, held on April 7, 2025, the APUS membership also approved this resolution.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### 2. An inflationary increase in the Dental Plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on January 24, 2025, the APUS Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Health Plan portion of the fee. At its Annual General Meeting, held on April 7, 2025, the APUS membership also approved this resolution.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### 3. A cost-of-living increase in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on January 24, 2025, the APUS Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee. At its Annual General Meeting, held on April 7, 2025, the APUS membership also approved this resolution.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

## Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter APUS fee, charged to all part-time undergraduate students on all campuses, will be \$203.20 per session (an increase of \$16.83).

Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society		13.65		13.65		13.65		13.65		13.65		13.65
Health Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)				103.92		103.92				94.47		94.47
Dental Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)				80.18		80.18				72.89		72.89
Canadian Federation of Students (Canadian CPI cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)		4.86		4.95		4.95		4.70		4.86		4.86
Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG (refundable)		1.00		0.50		0.50		1.00		0.50		0.50
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$19.51</b>		<b>\$203.20</b>		<b>\$203.20</b>		<b>\$19.35</b>		<b>\$186.37</b>		<b>\$186.37</b>
Change from Previous Year		+0.8% \$0.16		+9.0% \$16.83		+9.0% \$16.83		+1.5% \$0.28		+9.0% \$15.38		+9.0% \$15.38

## Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students fee be modified as follows:

- an increase of \$9.45 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- an increase of \$7.29 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee; and
- an increase of \$0.09 per session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

## Dental Students' Society (DSS)

### Background

The DSS fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Dentistry, was \$25.00 per session.

### Request

- An increase in the society fee.

A referendum was held on March 19, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Dentistry were asked to support an increase in the society fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

*The current Dental Student Society (DSS) fee for enrolled undergraduate students is \$25.00 per session. This money supports student-led clubs, events, and activities. Should the DSS increase its annual fee to \$30.00 per session (which amounts to a total yearly cost of \$60.00), effective Fall 2025?*

*Yes / No / Abstain*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	7 (100.0%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	455
No:	0 (0.0%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	7 (1.5%)
Abstain:	0 (0.0%)		
Total ballots:	7		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Dental Students' Society fee be increased by \$5.00 per fall and winter session.

## Engineering Society (EngSoc)

### Background

The total EngSoc fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, was \$119.22 per session for full-time students and \$92.34 per session for part-time students. The fee included:

- \$31.02 per session for the society portion of the fee (\$29.17 for part-time students);
- \$3.55 per session for the Aerospace Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.75 per session for the Concrete Canoe Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.50 per session for the Concrete Toboggan Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$0.10 per session for the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.00 per session for the Engineers in Action portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.50 per session for the Engineers Without Borders portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$3.95 per session for the Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.00 per session for the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$2.10 per session for the Robotics for Space Exploration portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.42 per session for the Seismic Design Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.75 per session for the Supermileage Team portion of the fee (full-time & part-time); and
- \$1.55 per session for the UTWind portion of the fee (full-time & part-time).

### Requests

1. A cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on February 27, 2025, the EngSoc Board of Directors approved a resolution to seek a cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

2. Continuation of the Aerospace Team portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of the dedicated Aerospace Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*UTAT's letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xwavaBlhgwo49Zq7ZsLDs7dR7djUp\\_G6/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xwavaBlhgwo49Zq7ZsLDs7dR7djUp_G6/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$3.55 per semester per student levy for UTAT for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$3.55 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$7.10 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	291 (58.0%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	206 (41.0%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	502 (7.9%)
Spoiled:	5 (1.0%)		
Total ballots:	502		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

3. Continuation of, and increase in, the Concrete Canoe Team portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Concrete Canoe Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Concrete Canoe's letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k78YXZ69I83PhU01CJsUiH\\_m\\_HivLCuK/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k78YXZ69I83PhU01CJsUiH_m_HivLCuK/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$2.00 per semester per student levy for Concrete Canoe for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$2.00 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$4.00 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	231 (59.5%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	147 (37.9%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	388 (6.1%)
Spoiled:	10 (2.6%)		
Total ballots:	388		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

4. Continuation of, and increase in, the Concrete Toboggan Team portion of the fee. A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Concrete Toboggan Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

Concrete Toboggan’s letter to students can be found here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SsaiDSYzcDDx7hEaFn22tgSp6dj4-Cb1/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SsaiDSYzcDDx7hEaFn22tgSp6dj4-Cb1/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$1.95 per semester per student levy for Concrete Toboggan for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.95 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$3.90 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	244 (61.3%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	146 (36.7%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	398 (6.3%)
Spoiled:	8 (2.0%)		
Total ballots:	398		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

5. Continuation of the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario portion of the fee. A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of the dedicated Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

*Do you support a \$0.10 per semester per student levy for ESSCO for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$0.10 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$0.20 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	196 (57.5%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	135 (39.6%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	341 (5.4%)
Spoiled:	10 (2.9%)		
Total ballots:	341		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

- Continuation of, and increase in, the Engineers in Action portion of the fee.  
A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Engineers in Action portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Engineers in Action’s letter to students can be found here:*  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KGRwXKXnDsEtzFTYJ8HaOUcRUCMeg6Xr/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KGRwXKXnDsEtzFTYJ8HaOUcRUCMeg6Xr/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$1.50 per semester per student levy for Engineers in Action for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.50 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$3.00 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	268 (67.3%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	121 (30.4%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	398 (6.3%)
Spoiled:	9 (2.3%)		
Total ballots:	398		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

- Continuation of the Engineers Without Borders portion of the fee.  
A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of the dedicated Engineers Without Borders portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

Engineers Without Borders’ letter to students can be found here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bm9rYvtKewl4j0xHv-](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bm9rYvtKewl4j0xHv-6sZM87wtMHXGFP/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

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**Question**

Do you support a \$1.50 per semester per student levy for Engineers Without Borders for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.50 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$3.00 annually.)

YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	295 (73.2%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	102 (25.3%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	403 (6.4%)
Spoiled:	6 (1.5%)		
Total ballots:	403		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

- 8. Continuation of, and increase in, the Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the fee. A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

University of Toronto Formula Racing Team’s letter to students can be found here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TTw9q6odY0ZII2YNcTlq6PDUYIJoVeno/edit?usp=drive](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TTw9q6odY0ZII2YNcTlq6PDUYIJoVeno/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)  
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**Question**

Do you support a \$4.00 per semester per student levy for University of Toronto Formula Racing Team for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$4.00 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$8.00 annually.)

YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	248 (49.7%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	240 (48.1%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	499 (7.9%)
Spoiled:	11 (2.2%)		
Total ballots:	499		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

9. Continuation of, and increase in, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*IEEE's letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GFKmi-68sgzbqkR48sEn4gF2hZD9lavV/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GFKmi-68sgzbqkR48sEn4gF2hZD9lavV/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$1.25 per semester per student levy for IEEE for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.25 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$2.50 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	223 (58.2%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	155 (40.5%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	383 (6.1%)
Spoiled:	5 (1.3%)		
Total ballots:	383		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

10. Continuation of the Robotics for Space Exploration portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of the dedicated Robotics for Space Exploration portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Robotics For Space Exploration's letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1QVas5ki7UFmv-oLC-9x-seduiZWYV7CP/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1QVas5ki7UFmv-oLC-9x-seduiZWYV7CP/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$2.10 per semester per student levy for Robotics For Space Exploration for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$2.10 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$4.20 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	238 (60.3%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	152 (38.5%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	395 (6.2%)
Spoiled:	5 (1.3%)		
Total ballots:	395		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

**11. Continuation of the Seismic Design Team portion of the fee.**

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of the dedicated Seismic Design Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Seismic Design Team’s letter to students can be found here:*

*[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1S-bUkSYAmHVRZniSolH\\_vAKEgsjCdNzX/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1S-bUkSYAmHVRZniSolH_vAKEgsjCdNzX/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)*

**Question**

*Do you support a \$1.42 per semester per student levy for Seismic Design Team for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.42 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$2.84 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	207 (56.9%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	150 (41.2%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	364 (5.8%)
Spoiled:	7 (1.9%)		
Total ballots:	364		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

12. Continuation of, and increase in, the Supermileage Team portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Supermileage Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Supermileage’s letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xpDJ2BNcTxAFI6Sa7s2vIZx0M87HCRhx/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xpDJ2BNcTxAFI6Sa7s2vIZx0M87HCRhx/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$2.50 per semester per student levy for Supermileage for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$2.50 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$5.00 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	262 (59.5%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	171 (38.9%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	440 (7.0%)
Spoiled:	7 (1.6%)		
Total ballots:	440		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

13. Establishment of a Troistky Bridge Building Team portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the establishment of a dedicated Troistky Bridge Building Team portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Troitsky’s letter to students can be found here:*

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SdbFaDspYSartZaFPwhFzUaUcO9lcbVw/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SdbFaDspYSartZaFPwhFzUaUcO9lcbVw/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)

**Question**

*Do you support a \$0.50 per semester per student levy for Troitsky for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$0.50 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$1.00 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	236 (61.9%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	138 (36.2%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	381 (6.0%)
Spoiled:	7 (1.8%)		
Total ballots:	381		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

14. Continuation of, and increase in, the UTWind portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 24, 2025, to March 26, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering were asked to support the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated UTWind portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*UTWind’s letter to students can be found here:*

*[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1c wd48G871\\_ifH7VcJtKREqk3PRru-mAE/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1c wd48G871_ifH7VcJtKREqk3PRru-mAE/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=101947819943477447084&rtpof=true&sd=true)*

**Question**

*Do you support a \$1.80 per semester per student levy for UTWind for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 terms? (\$1.80 per semester for both Fall and Winter semesters, for a total of \$3.60 annually.)*

*YES / NO / SPOIL BALLOT*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	250 (59.8%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	6,325
No:	159 (38.0%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	418 (6.6%)
Spoiled:	9 (2.2%)		
Total ballots:	418		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

## Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter EngSoc fee, charged to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, will be \$119.22 per session for full-time students (an increase of \$3.53) and \$92.34 per session for part-time students (an increase of \$3.50).

Engineering Society	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			31.55	29.67	31.55	29.67			31.02	29.17	31.02	29.17
Aerospace Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			3.55	3.55	3.55	3.55			3.55	3.55	3.55	3.55
Blue Sky Solar Racing Team (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50			3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Canadian Federation of Engineering Students (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40			0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Concrete Canoe Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00			1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75
Concrete Toboggan Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10			0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Engineers in Action (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50			1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Engineers Without Borders (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Formula SAE Racing Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00			3.95	3.95	3.95	3.95
Human-Powered Vehicle Design Team (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50			2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25			1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Robotics Association (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50			3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Robotics for Space Exploration (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10			2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10
Seismic Design Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.42	1.42	1.42	1.42			1.42	1.42	1.42	1.42

Engineering Society (cont.)	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Skule Endowment Fund (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation; refundable)			50.00	25.00	50.00	25.00			50.00	25.00	50.00	25.00
Supermileage Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50			1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75
Skule Nite (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10			2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10
Troistky Bridge Building Team (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50						
UTWind (through 2026-27; referendum required for continuation)			1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80			1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55
Women in Science & Engineering (through 2025-26; referendum required for continuation)			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$119.22</b>	<b>\$92.34</b>	<b>\$119.22</b>	<b>\$92.34</b>			<b>\$115.69</b>	<b>\$88.84</b>	<b>\$115.69</b>	<b>\$88.84</b>
Change from Previous Year			+3.1%	+3.9%	+3.1%	+3.9%			+9.5%	+65.6%	+9.5%	+65.6%
			\$3.53	\$3.50	\$3.53	\$3.50			\$10.07	\$35.18	\$10.07	\$35.18

## Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Engineering Society fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.53 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee (\$0.50 for part-time students);
- (b) the continuation of the Aerospace Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (c) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the Concrete Canoe Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (d) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.45 per fall and winter session in, the Concrete Toboggan Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (e) the continuation of the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (f) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.50 per fall and winter session in, the Engineers in Action portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (g) the continuation of the Engineers Without Borders portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (h) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.05 per fall and winter session in, the Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (i) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (j) the continuation of the Robotics for Space Exploration portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (k) the continuation of the Seismic Design Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);
- (l) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.75 per fall and winter session in, the Supermileage Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time);

- (m) the establishment of \$0.50 per fall and winter session in the Troistky Bridge Building Team portion of the fee through 2026-27 (full-time & part-time); and
- (n) the continuation of, and an increase of \$0.25 per fall and winter session in, the UTWind portion of the fee through 2025-26 for full-time students.

## Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association (FMUA)

### Background

The total FMUA fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Music, was \$300.00 per session. The fee included:

- \$50.00 per session for the society portion of the fee; and
- \$200.00 per session for the Special Projects Fund portion of the fee.

### Request

1. An increase in the society portion of the fee, and the continuation of, and decrease in, the Special Projects Fund portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 19, 2025, to March 23, 2025, in which undergraduate students in the Faculty of Music were asked to support an increase in the society portion of the FMUA, and the continuation of, and an increase in, the dedicated Special Projects Fund portion of the EngSoc fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

#### **Preamble**

***(1) The Association is seeking the support of its Membership to expand the amount of money available for the operations of the Association.***

*This expansion is to facilitate the money required to run the Music Cafe, to hire a full time and part time staff member, and to keep events, such as semi-formal, free. The **Student Society Fee goes towards operations.***

*Questions 1 and 2 propose a joint solution to expand the amount of money available for the Student Society Fee. **We do not want to increase fees, since you already pay so much money!***

*To facilitate an increase in the Student Society fee, we propose two changes:*

1. *We decrease the amount of money (by \$50) allocated for the Special Projects Fund (Question 2); and*
2. *We eliminate (\$50) contributions to the Endowment Fund (Question 1).*

*These changes will **allow us to increase the Student Society Fee** from \$50 to \$150 per semester (Question 2).*

*You might be concerned that by decreasing the Special Projects Fund the Grants program will suffer. However, in the Fall and Winter sessions of the Grants program this year, we only spent 36% of the money collected for those sessions. By decreasing the Special Projects Fund by \$50 dollars, we will end up spending 48% of the funds instead. This is still more than enough to*

*support everyone's Grant applications, while also leaving plenty left over for group projects and new initiatives. In other words, we are simply currently collecting too much from you!*

*Furthermore in Question 1, the elimination of contributions to the Endowment Fund **does not mean we are ending** the Endowment Fund system. The Endowment Fund has over \$500K this year, and by investing the principal of the fund, we are able to net an annual profit of \$15 to \$20K. This money can be used for projects upon the direction of the General Members (voters), and the wording change is just to reflect this new system for the Endowment Fund.*

***(2) The Association is further seeking the support of its Membership to expand the types of services covered by the Special Project Fund.***

*Question 3 is on amending the current Special Project Fund fee policy to allow funding for all projects, both curricular and co-curricular. This means that for services such as the Student Service Program (Tutoring) we are able to offer tutoring services directly tied into the first and second year theory curriculum, as opposed to offering general tutoring. Furthermore, this means that in the future, this fund can be used to pay for pianists, coachings, extra lessons, and other items that we currently cannot cover due to the previous fee policy.*

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*Appendix A: Current Fee Policies*

***Please note that the Student Service Fee Policy is not up for amendment in the Questions below.***

*Student Service Fee Policy*

*The FMUA Student Society Fee is the core funding for the organization and its operation. The fee covers external staff wages, operating costs of the office, banking, legal and accounting services, and the cost of providing services to students.*

*Special Projects Fund Fee Policy*

*The FMUA Special Projects Fund funds co-curricular activities and initiatives put forward by the association, its membership, and the Faculty of Music. Example initiatives include the purchasing of equipment used for co-curricular activities, production of co-curricular events, operation of co-curricular services, and funding for co-curricular experiences that directly enhance the experience of Faculty of Music undergraduate students.*

*The goals for all projects supported by the FMUA Special Projects Fund are as follows:*

- 1. That they go above and beyond what is merely necessary for the delivery of a music degree via co-curricular events, services and projects.*
- 2. That they, whenever possible, be for capital and not operating expenditures. Exceptions may be granted for approved projects which are services and require yearly contributions.*
- 3. That the magnitude of the expenditure is proportional to the number of students impacted.*
- 4. That funds be allocated in an equitable but not necessarily equal fashion so that all members may reap the benefits of the fund.*

5. *That all proposals submitted be made available to the membership for feedback for at least two weeks before approval or rejection and that all approved projects be made available to the membership.*

*At the end of each fiscal year, any leftover funds that have not been spent due to lack of qualifying submissions may be transferred to the FMUA Endowment Fund.*

*Endowment Fund Fee Policy*

*Interest earned from the principal is spent using the same criteria as the FMUA Special Projects Fund. In addition, the principal of the fund can be spent on capital projects such as building renovations and student space construction in the future when the need arises. Such decisions shall be brought forward to the membership at a General Meeting of the Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association.*

**Question**

***I SUPPORT the decrease of the Special Projects Fund fee from \$200 to \$150 AND the increase of the Student Society fee from \$50 to \$150 per Fall and Winter semester. The Special Project Fund and Student Society fee adjustments, as well as the elimination of the Endowment Fund as proposed in Question 1 would balance each other out, thus the total amount per Member as paid in the 2024-2025 year would not increase or decrease for the forthcoming session. This change would come into effect for the Fall 2025 session.***

- *YES, I SUPPORT the decrease of the Special Projects Fund fee from \$200 to \$150 AND the increase of the Student Society fee from \$50 to \$150 per Fall and Winter semester.*
- *NO, I DO NOT SUPPORT the decrease of the Special Projects Fund fee from \$200 to \$150 AND the increase of the Student Society fee from \$50 to \$150 per Fall and Winter semester.*
- *ABSTAIN*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	82 (64.6%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	529
No:	11 (8.7%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	127
Spoiled:	34 (26.8%)		(24.0%)
Total ballots:	127		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

[Additional Information](#)

The referendum associated with the request above also asked undergraduate students in the Faculty of Music to support amendments to FMUA policies pertaining to the management of the society’s Endowment Fund, for which fee collection expires at the end of the Winter 2025 session, and its Special Projects Fund. The students supported these amendments in similar numbers as the results above. This information is shared to provide additional context as University governance approval is not required for amendments to the FMUA’s policy documents.

## Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter FMUA fee, charged to all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Music, will be \$300.00 per session (same as the previous year).

Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			150.00		150.00				50.00		50.00	
Endowment Fund (through 2024-25; referendum required for continuation)									50.00		50.00	
Special Projects Fund			150.00		150.00				200.00		200.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$300.00</b>		<b>\$300.00</b>				<b>\$300.00</b>		<b>\$300.00</b>	
Change from Previous Year			0.0% \$ -		0.0% \$ -				0.0% \$ -		0.0% \$ -	

## Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Faculty of Music Undergraduate Association fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$100.00 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee; and
- (b) the continuation of, and a decrease of \$50.00 per fall and winter session in, the Special Projects Fund portion of the fee.

## Innis College Student Society (ICSS)

### Background

The total ICSS fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all students in Innis College, was \$35.65 per session. The fee included:

- \$28.62 per session for the society portion of the fee; and
- \$7.00 per session for the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

The total ICSS fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions for first-year Innis College students was \$107.63 per session. The fee included the portions listed above and \$70.00 per session for the Innis College Orientation fee.

### Request

1. A cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 4, 2025, the ICSS Council approved a resolution to seek a cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

2. An increase in the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 5, 2025, to March 6, 2025, in which students in Innis College were asked to support an increase in the dedicated World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the ICSS fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*The Innis College Student Society (“ICSS”) partners with the World University Service of Canada (“WUSC”) to sponsor one refugee student per year for admission to study at the University of Toronto. By providing refugee youth with opportunities to continue their education, the ICSS and WUSC hope to equip students with the knowledge, skills and experiences to build a brighter future for themselves and their families.*

*Innis College students voted via referendum to allow the University to collect a compulsory nonacademic incidental fee of \$7.00 per fall and winter sessions from all Innis College students to support this program. These funds are used to cover all living expenses for the student for their first twelve months at the University of Toronto.*

*The Innis College Student Society (“ICSS”) is seeking consent from its members to increase the World University Service of Canada (“WUSC”) Student Refugee Program fee by \$1.50 per fall and winter sessions. With this increased funding and with further support from Innis College donors, the ICSS will be able to fully fund 24 months of residence costs for every refugee student.*

**Question**

*Do you agree to a fee increase of \$1.50 per fall and winter sessions (from \$7.00 per fall and winter sessions to \$8.50 per fall and winter sessions) for the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee beginning in the Fall 2025 session?*

- *YES: I AM in favour of a fee increase of \$1.50 per fall and winter sessions for the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee beginning in the Fall 2025 session*
- *NO: I am NOT in favour of a fee increase of \$1.50 per fall and winter sessions for the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee beginning in the Fall 2025 session*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	119 (65.0%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	2,183
No:	64 (35.0%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	183 (8.4%)
Abstain:	0 (0.0%)		
Total ballots:	183		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

3. Establishment of a cost-of-living allowance in the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 5, 2025, to March 6, 2025, in which students in Innis College were asked to support the establishment of a cost-of-living allowance in the ICSS society fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*The Innis College Student Society (“ICSS”) partners with the World University Service of Canada (“WUSC”) to sponsor one refugee student per year for admission to study at the University of Toronto. By providing refugee youth with opportunities to continue their education, the ICSS and WUSC hope to equip students with the knowledge, skills and experiences to build a brighter future for themselves and their families.*

*As early as 1995, Innis College students voted via referendum to allow the University to collect a compulsory non-academic incidental fee of \$3.50 per fall and winter sessions from all Innis College students to support this program. In 2017, Innis College students voted to approve an increase to this fee of \$3.50 per fall and winter sessions to a total of \$7.00 per fall and winter sessions. These funds are used to cover all living expenses for the student for their first twelve months at the University of Toronto. This fee has not been increased or adjusted for inflation since 2017.*

*The ICSS is not currently able to adjust this fee for cost-of-living increases without a referendum. The ICSS is seeking consent from its members to allow for cost-of-living adjustments to this fee once per year upon approval by the ICSS Council.*

**Question**

*Do you agree to allow the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee to be adjusted annually in accordance with the Ontario Consumer Price Index upon approval by the ICSS Council and beginning with the Fall 2025 session?*

- YES: I AM in favour of allowing the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee to be adjusted annually in accordance with the Ontario Consumer Price Index upon approval by the ICSS Council*
- NO: I am NOT in favour of allowing the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program fee to be adjusted annually in accordance with the Ontario Consumer Price Index upon approval by the ICSS Council*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	118 (64.5%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	2,183
No:	65 (35.5%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	183 (8.4%)
Abstain:	0 (0.0%)		
Total ballots:	183		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

4. An increase in the Orientation portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from March 31, 2025, to April 1, 2025, in which students in Innis College were asked to support an increase in the dedicated Orientation portion of the ICSS fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*In 2011, Innis College students voted via referendum to allow the University to collect a compulsory non-academic incidental fee of \$50.00 per fall and winter sessions from first-year Innis College students to support the annual Innis Orientation program for first-year students.*

*Although the Innis College Student Society is allowed to adjust this fee for cost-of-living increases once per year, the fee has not been consistently adjusted since 2011. The fee has only been adjusted from \$50.00 to \$54.06 per fall and winter sessions in the past 14 years.*

*Beginning in the 2024-25 academic year, Innis Orientation increased in length from three full days of programming to five full days of programming. Orientation expenses have also increased in cost due to cost-of-living increases.*

*The ICSS is seeking consent from its members to allow for a one-time increase to the Innis College Orientation fee of \$15.94 per fall and winter sessions. This fee is only charged to first-year Innis College students. Upper year Innis College students are not charged this fee.*

**Question**

*Do you agree to a fee increase of \$15.94 per fall and winter sessions (from \$54.06 per fall and winter sessions to \$70.00 per fall and winter sessions) for the Innis College Orientation fee (charged only to first-year students) beginning in the Fall 2025 session?*

- YES: I AM in favour of a fee increase of \$15.94 per fall and winter sessions for the Innis College Orientation fee (charged only to first-year students) beginning in the Fall 2025 session*
- NO: I am NOT favour of a fee increase of \$15.94 per fall and winter sessions for the Innis College Orientation fee (charged only to first-year students) beginning in the Fall 2025 session*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	118 (61.5%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	2,183
No:	74 (38.5%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	192 (8.8%)
Abstain:	0 (0.0%)		
Total ballots:	192		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

**Additional Information**

The referendum question and results pertaining to the establishment of a cost-of-living allowance in the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee (item 3 of this section) is shared to provide additional context as it affects how increases to that portion may be proposed and considered in future years. University governance approval is not required at this time.

## Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter ICSS fee, charged to all students in Innis College, will be \$37.63 per session (an increase of \$1.98). The total fall/winter ICSS fee for first-year Innis College students will be \$107.63 per session (an increase of \$17.92).

Innis College Student Society	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			29.13	29.13	29.13	29.13			28.65	28.65	28.65	28.65
World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50			7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$38.63</b>	<b>\$37.63</b>	<b>\$37.63</b>	<b>\$37.63</b>			<b>\$35.65</b>	<b>\$35.65</b>	<b>\$35.65</b>	<b>\$35.65</b>
Change from Previous Year			+5.6%	+5.6%	+5.6%	+5.6%			-12.3%	-12.3%	-12.3%	-12.3%
			\$1.98	\$1.98	\$1.98	\$1.98			(\$5.00)	(\$5.00)	(\$5.00)	(\$5.00)

Note: First-year students will also pay an Innis College Orientation fee of \$70.00 per fall & winter session.

## Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Innis College Student Society fee be modified as follows:

- an increase of \$0.48 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee;
- an increase of \$1.50 per fall and winter session in the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program portion of the fee; and
- an increase of \$15.94 per fall and winter session in the Orientation portion of the fee.

## Undergraduate Pharmacy Society (UPS)

### Background

The total UPS fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all Doctor of Pharmacy students in the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, was \$37.59 per session. This included \$18.61 per session for the society portion of the fee.

### Request

- An increase in the society portion of the fee.

A referendum was held from January 27, 2025, to February 10, 2025, in which Doctor of Pharmacy students in the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy were asked to support an increase in the society portion of the fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

*Do you agree to the proposed UPS fee adjustments, increasing the sessional fee for the 4-year PharmD program from \$18.61 to \$25 per semester and introducing a \$34 per semester fee for the 3-year PharmD program, effective Fall 2025?*

- Yes, I support the increase
- No, I do not support the increase

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	47 (53.4%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	1,021
No:	41 (46.6%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	88 (8.6%)
Abstain:	0 (0.0%)		
Total ballots:	88		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter UPS fee, charged to all Doctor of Pharmacy students in the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, will be \$52.98 per session for students in the three-year program (an increase of \$15.39) and \$43.98 for students in the four-year program (an increase of \$6.39).

Undergraduate Pharmacy Society (3-Year Program)	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00			18.61	18.61	18.61	18.61
Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns			10.48	10.48	10.48	10.48			10.48	10.48	10.48	10.48
Class Fund			8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50			8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$52.98</b>	<b>\$52.98</b>	<b>\$52.98</b>	<b>\$52.98</b>			<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>
Change from Previous Year			+40.9%	+40.9%	+40.9%	+40.9%			+1.6%	+1.6%	+1.6%	+1.6%
			\$15.39	\$15.39	\$15.39	\$15.39			\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61

Undergraduate Pharmacy Society (4-Year Program)	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00			18.61	18.61	18.61	18.61
Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns			10.48	10.48	10.48	10.48			10.48	10.48	10.48	10.48
Class Fund			8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50			8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$43.98</b>	<b>\$43.98</b>	<b>\$43.98</b>	<b>\$43.98</b>			<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>	<b>\$37.59</b>
Change from Previous Year			+17.0%	+17.0%	+17.0%	+17.0%			+1.6%	+1.6%	+1.6%	+1.6%
			\$6.39	\$6.39	\$6.39	\$6.39			\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61

### Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the Undergraduate Pharmacy Society fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$15.39 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee for Doctor of Pharmacy students in the three-year program; and
- (b) an increase of \$6.39 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee for Doctor of Pharmacy students in the four-year program.

# University College Literary & Athletic Society (UC Lit)

## Background

The total UC Lit fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all students in University College, was \$30.65 per session for full-time students and \$13.36 per session for part-time students. This included \$11.47 per session for the society portion of the fee (\$3.85 for part-time students).

## Requests

1. A cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 22, 2025, the UC Lit Council approved a resolution to seek a cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

## Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter UC Lit fee, charged to all students in University College, will be \$30.84 per session for full-time students (an increase of \$0.19) and \$13.43 for part-time students (an increase of \$0.07).

University College Literary & Athletic Society	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			11.66	3.92	11.66	3.92			11.47	3.85	11.47	3.85
Association of College Program Unions (refundable)			0.66		0.66				0.66		0.66	
Charity Fund			0.13		0.13				0.13		0.13	
Contact UC			0.50		0.50				0.50		0.50	
The Gargoyle			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50			1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Special Fund (Capital Fund)			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Special Project Levy (through 2036-37; referendum required for continuation)			12.50	5.00	12.50	5.00			12.50	5.00	12.50	5.00
UC Follies Theatre Troupe			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50			0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
UC Review			0.88		0.88				0.88		0.88	
WUSC Committee			0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13			0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
WUSC Program			1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88			1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$30.84</b>	<b>\$13.43</b>	<b>\$30.84</b>	<b>\$13.43</b>			<b>\$30.65</b>	<b>\$13.36</b>	<b>\$30.65</b>	<b>\$13.36</b>
Change from Previous Year			+0.6%	+0.5%	+0.6%	+0.5%			0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
			\$0.19	\$0.07	\$0.19	\$0.07			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

## Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the University College Literary & Athletic Society fee be increased by \$0.19 per fall and winter session (\$0.07 for part-time students).

# University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union (UTGSU)

## Background

The total UTGSU fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all graduate students on all campuses, was \$476.79 per session fall session and \$476.77 per winter session for full-time students and \$444.95 per fall session and \$444.93 per winter session for part-time students. The fee included:

- \$36.92 per session for the society portion of the fee (\$18.46 per session for part-time students);
- \$272.97 per fall session and \$272.96 per winter session for the Health Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$140.11 per session for the Dental Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- \$1.55 per session for the Bikechain portion of the fee (\$0.78 per fall session and \$0.77 per winter session for part-time students);
- \$10.00 per fall session and \$9.99 per winter session for the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee (\$5.00 per session for part-time students);
- \$3.26 per session for the Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG portion of the fee (\$1.63 per session for part-time students);
- \$7.23 per session for the Regenesys portion of the fee (\$3.62 per session for part-time students); and
- \$1.00 per session for the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee (\$0.50 per session for part-time students).

## Requests

### 1. A cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students did not receive any complaints.

### 2. An inflationary increase in the Health Plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Health Plan portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### 3. An inflationary increase in the Dental Plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Dental Plan portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

4. A cost-of-living increase in the Bikechain portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Bikechain portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students did not receive any complaints.

5. A cost-of-living increase in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

6. A cost-of-living increase in the Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

7. A cost-of-living increase in the Regeneesis portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Regneesis portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

8. A cost-of-living increase in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee.

At its meeting, held on March 24, 2025, the UTGSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

7. A change to the inflationary allowance for the Health Plan and Dental Plan portions of the fee.

A referendum was held from December 4, 2024, to December 7, 2024, in which graduate students on all campuses were asked to support a change to the inflationary allowance for the dedicated Health Plan and Dental Plan portions of the fee. The wording of the question was as follows:

*Whereas the UTGSU has operated a supplemental Health Plan since 1986; and*

*Whereas the Health & Dental Plan has grown to include dental, vision, and mental health coverage via subsequential referenda; and*

*Whereas the Health & Dental Plan receives a dedicated student fee to cover the premiums and operational costs of administering the plan and which students may opt-out of to receive a refund; and*

*Whereas the Health & Dental Plan fee is monitored and adjusted annually based on the plan utilization, inflation trends, and cost of living increases; and*

*Whereas the maximum permitted increase for the Health & Dental Plan is currently linked to the “Health Industry Index” and “Dental Industry Index” which are no longer standard indexes; and*

*Whereas in the absence of a definition for the “Health Industry Index” and “Dental Industry Index” the UTGSU Board of Directors has been able to increase health fees by 16.8% and dental fees by 10.9% in 2022-23 without referendum; and*

*Whereas the UTGSU Board of Directors is seeking to limit maximum permitted inflationary increases to health and dental fees at 10% annually; and*

*Whereas all four of the undergraduate students’ unions at the University of Toronto have a maximum permitted inflationary increases of 10% annually; and*

*Whereas the following clauses bring the UTGSU under compliance with current terminology and procedures, and align with other students’ unions; therefore*

***Be it resolved that the UTGSU Board of Directors be permitted to increase the student fees for the health insurance portion of the health and dental plan only up to ten percent (10%) annually; and***

***Be it further resolved that the UTGSU Board of Directors be permitted to increase the student fees for the dental insurance portion of the health and dental plan only up to ten percent (10%) annually; and***

***Be it further resolved that any increase above ten percent (10%) must be approved by a membership referendum.***

*Yes / No / Abstain*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	3,638 (79.1%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	21,674
No:	568 (12.4%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	4,597
Abstain:	391 (8.5%)		(21.2%)
Total ballots:	4,597		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### Additional Information

The referendum question and results pertaining to the change to the inflationary allowance for the Health Plan and Dental Plan portions of the fee (item 7 of this section) is shared to provide additional context as it affects how increases to that portion may be proposed and considered this year and in future years. University governance approval is not required at this time.

### Summary of Changes

If approved, the total fall/winter UTGSU fee, charged to all graduate students on all campuses, will be \$495.96 per fall session and \$495.92 per winter session for full-time students (an increase of \$19.17 per fall session and \$19.15 per winter session) and \$463.60 per fall session and \$463.58 per winter session for part-time students (an increase of \$18.65 per session).

University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases up to CPI with a maximum of 5% permitted without referendum)			37.55	18.78	37.55	18.77			36.92	18.46	36.92	18.46
Health Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)			290.01	290.01	290.00	290.00			272.97	272.97	272.96	272.96
Dental Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)			141.21	141.21	141.21	141.21			140.11	140.11	140.11	140.11
Bikechain (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)			1.58	0.79	1.57	0.79			1.55	0.78	1.55	0.77
Canadian Federation of Students (Canadian CPI cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			10.18	5.09	10.17	5.09			10.00	5.00	9.99	5.00
Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)			3.32	1.66	3.31	1.66			3.26	1.63	3.26	1.63
Downtown Legal Services (refundable)			1.50	0.75	1.50	0.75			1.50	0.75	1.50	0.75
Environmental Resource Network (refundable)			0.25	0.13	0.25	0.13			0.25	0.13	0.25	0.13
Regenesis (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)			7.36	3.68	7.35	3.68			7.23	3.62	7.23	3.62
Sexual Education Centre (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)			1.02	0.51	1.01	0.51			1.00	0.50	1.00	0.50
Students for Barrier-Free Access			2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00			2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$495.96</b>	<b>\$463.60</b>	<b>\$4.95</b>	<b>\$444.93</b>			<b>\$476.79</b>	<b>\$444.95</b>	<b>\$476.77</b>	<b>\$444.93</b>
Change from Previous Year			+4.0%	+4.2%	+4.0%	+4.2%			+8.3%	+7.8%	+8.3%	+7.8%
			\$19.17	\$18.65	\$19.15	\$18.65			\$36.58	\$32.18	\$36.60	\$32.19

## Recommendations

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.63 per fall and winter session in the society portion of the fee (\$0.32 per fall session and \$0.31 per winter session for part-time students);
- (b) an increase of \$17.04 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- (c) an increase of \$1.10 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee (full-time & part-time);
- (d) an increase of \$0.03 per fall session and \$0.02 per winter session in the Bikechain portion of the fee (\$0.01 per fall session and \$0.02 per winter session for part-time students);
- (e) an increase of \$0.18 per fall and winter session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee (\$0.09 for part-time students);
- (f) an increase of \$0.06 per fall session and \$0.05 per winter session in the Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG portion of the fee (\$0.03 per fall and winter session for part-time students);
- (g) an increase of \$0.13 per fall session and \$0.12 per winter session in the Regenesys portion of the fee (\$0.06 per fall and winter session for part-time students); and
- (h) an increase of \$0.02 per fall session and \$0.01 per winter session in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee (\$0.01 per fall and winter session for part-time students).

## University of Toronto Students' Union (UTSU)

### Background

The total UTSU fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all full-time undergraduate students on the St. George campus and Toronto School of Theology students, was \$319.37 per fall session and \$320.74 per winter session. The fee included:

- \$23.09 per session for the society portion of the fee;
- \$129.46 per session for the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- \$108.22 per session for the Dental Plan portion of the fee;
- \$16.63 per fall session and \$17.13 per winter session for the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee;
- \$8.66 per fall session and \$9.53 per winter session for the Student Commons Operating Levy portion of the fee;
- \$0.63 per session for the Bikechain portion of the fee;
- \$9.74 per session for the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee;
- \$2.11 per session for the Community Housing & Employment Support Services portion of the fee;
- \$3.90 per session for the Downtown Legal Services portion of the fee;
- \$0.75 per session for the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee; and
- \$2.14 per session for the Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

## Requests

1. [A cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.](#)

At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the society portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

2. [An inflationary increase in the Health Plan portion of the fee.](#)

At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Health Plan portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

3. [An inflationary increase in the Dental Plan portion of the fee.](#)

At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Dental Plan portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

4. [An increase in the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee.](#)

At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee.

The UTSU Board of Directors has requested the increase in accordance with the terms of the original 2007 Student Commons referendum. As operation of the Students Commons began in Winter 2021, increases to the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee are applied in the winter session.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

5. [An increase in the Student Commons Operating Levy portion of the fee.](#)

At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request an inflationary increase to the dedicated Student Commons Operating Levy portion of the fee.

The UTSU Board of Directors has requested the increase in accordance with the terms of the original 2007 Student Commons referendum. As operation of the Students Commons began in Winter 2021, increases to the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee are applied in the winter session.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

6. A cost-of-living increase in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.  
At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

7. A cost-of-living increase in the Community Housing & Employment Support Services portion of the fee.  
At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Community Housing & Employment Support Services portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

8. A cost-of-living increase in the Downtown Legal Services portion of the fee.  
At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Downtown Legal Services portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

9. A cost-of-living increase in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee.  
At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

10. A cost-of-living increase in the Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.  
At its meeting, held on March 16, 2025, the UTSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the dedicated Student Refugee Program portion of the fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

11. An increase in the Bikechain portion of the fee.  
A referendum was held from March 4, 2024, to March 7, 2024, in which full-time undergraduate students on the St. George campus and Toronto School of Theology students were asked to support an increase in the dedicated Sexual Education Centre portion of the UTSU fee and the establishment of a cost-of-living allowance for that portion. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Bikechain is U of T's on-campus bike repair education space. We serve students by operating a Monday-Friday Do-It-Yourself bike repair centre where students are provided with tools and*

*guidance from experienced mechanics to repair their own bicycles. We also offer a free bicycle lending program, free workshops on bicycle repair and maintenance, free mobile bicycle repair clinics, and more. All of our services are pay-what-you-can or entirely free.*

*Bikechain makes cycling affordable and accessible for students by equipping students with tools and skills to complete their own repairs. Since 2005, we have taught over 42,000 people how to fix their bikes and ride safely. Our resources are in high demand with students: There is a frequent waitlist to use our repair space, and our free bicycle lending fleet often entirely booked out.*

*Bikechain’s levy funding has not increased in many years and is no longer sufficient to accommodate student demand for our services. A “yes” on this referendum would allow us to sustain and expand our programming, including our free bicycle lending program, free repair and maintenance workshops, Monday - Friday pay-what-you-can bicycle repair support, free learn-to-bicycle program, refurbishing affordable bikes, free mobile repair services, free group rides and social events, outreach to students facing barriers to cycling, and cycling advocacy.*

**Question**

*Do you agree to a levy increase of \$1.77 to a total \$2.40 per semester (WITH option to opt-out for cash refund), beginning in fall 2025, in order to provide free and affordable bicycle services for students?*

- Yes, I AM in favour of a fee increase of \$1.77 that would require UTSU members to pay a total of \$2.40 per semester (WITH option to opt out for cash refund) in support of Bikechain, to come into effect during the fall 2025 semester*
- No, I am NOT in favour of a fee increase of \$1.77 that would require UTSU members to pay a total of \$2.40 per semester (WITH option to opt out for cash refund) in support of Bikechain, to come into effect during the fall 2025 semester*
- Abstain*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	2,225 (43.2%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	41,346
No:	1,350 (26.2%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	5,153
Abstain:	1,578 (30.6%)		(12.5%)
Total ballots:	5,153		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

**12. Establishment of the Regenesis portion of the fee.**

A referendum was held from March 4, 2024, to March 7, 2024, in which full-time undergraduate students on the St. George campus and Toronto School of Theology students were asked to support the establishment of a dedicated Regenesis portion of the UTSU fee and the establishment of a cost-of-living allowance for that portion. The wording of the question was as follows:

**Preamble**

*Regenesis is an environmental organization at the University of Toronto. Regenesis Toronto understands that students are experiencing an unprecedented affordability crisis.*

*We are seeking the consent of UTSU members to help fund Regenesis programs and initiatives. Starting in Fall 2025, each UTSU member would pay a fee of \$3.00 per session and would be able to obtain a refund of said fee through Regenesis.*

*Regenesis would be required to spend all of the collected fees on its environmental and community-related projects and initiatives that both help the environment and make life more affordable for students. The collected fees would go towards supporting environmental initiatives and programming on/near UofT, including a grocery cooperative, a campus farmers' market, a free store, community gardening, a community kitchen, and an item library.*

**Question**

*Do you agree to a levy of \$3.00 per session for each UTSU member; adjusted annually in accordance with the Ontario Consumer Price Index?*

- Yes, I support the funding Regenesis UofT*
- No, I do not support funding Regenesis UofT*
- Abstain*

The results of the referendum were as follows:

Yes:	2,127 (41.3%)	Eligible Voters (approx.):	41,346
No:	1,189 (23.1%)	Voter Turnout (approx.):	5,153
Abstain:	1,837 (35.7%)		(12.5%)
Total ballots:	5,153		

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

**Summary of Changes**

If approved, the total fall/winter APUS fee, charged to all full-time undergraduate students on the St. George campus and Toronto School of Theology students, will be \$348.01 per fall session and \$349.41 per winter session (an increase of \$28.64 per fall session and \$28.73 per winter session).

University of Toronto Students' Union	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Society (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)	23.09		23.48		23.48		22.33		23.09		23.09	
Health Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)			142.41		142.41				129.46		129.46	
Dental Plan (increases up to 10% permitted without referendum; refundable)			119.04		119.04				108.22		108.22	
Student Commons Capital Levy (inflationary increases of up to 10% permitted without referendum; through 2043-44; referendum required for continuation)	17.13		17.13		17.64		16.63		16.63		17.13	

University of Toronto Students' Union (cont.)	Summer 2025		Fall 2025		Winter 2026		Summer 2024		Fall 2024		Winter 2025	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Student Commons Operating Levy (inflationary increases of up to 10% permitted without referendum)	9.53		9.53		10.48		8.66		8.66		9.53	
Aerospace Team (refundable; discontinued Winter 2025)			0.50		0.50							
Accessibility Resources Fund (through 2021-22; referendum required for continuation; established Spring 2017)									0.50		0.50	
Regenesis (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)	0.63		2.40		2.40				2.00		2.00	
Bikechain (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)	0.13		0.13		0.13		0.61		0.63		0.63	
Blue Sky Solar Racing Car (refundable)	9.74		9.92		9.92		0.13		0.13		0.13	
Canadian Federation of Students (Canadian CPI cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)	0.50		0.50		0.50		9.42		9.74		9.74	
Centre for Social Justice - OPIRG (refundable)	1.50		1.50		1.50		0.50		0.50		0.50	
Centre for Women and Trans People (refundable)	0.25		0.25		0.25		1.50		1.50		1.50	
Cinema Studies Students' Union (refundable)	2.07		2.11		2.11		0.25		0.25		0.25	
Community Housing & Employment Support Services (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)	0.50		0.50		0.50		2.00		2.07		2.07	
Dollars for Daycare (refundable)	3.90		3.97		3.97		0.50		0.50		0.50	
Downtown Legal Services (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)	0.50		0.50		0.50		3.77		3.90		3.90	
Environmental Resource Network (refundable)	0.15		0.15		0.15		0.50		0.50		0.50	
Food Security for Students (refundable)	0.05		0.05		0.05		0.15		0.15		0.15	
Foster Children Program	0.25		0.25		0.25		0.05		0.05		0.05	
Health Initiatives in Developing Countries (refundable)			0.25		0.25		0.25		0.25		0.25	
LGBTOUT (refundable)	0.50		0.50		0.50				0.25		0.25	
Orientation (refundable)			3.00		3.00		0.50		0.50		0.50	
Regenesis (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)	0.75		0.76		0.76							
Sexual Education Centre (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum; refundable)			5.00		5.00		0.25		0.75		0.75	
Student Aid Program Fund	1.00		1.00		1.00				5.00		5.00	
Students for Barrier-free Access (refundable)	2.14		2.18		2.18		1.00		1.00		1.00	
Student Refugee Program (cost-of-living increases permitted without referendum)	1.00		1.00		1.00		2.07		2.14		2.14	
Wheelchair Accessibility Projects	9.53		9.53		10.48		1.00		1.00		1.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$72.07</b>		<b>\$319.37</b>		<b>\$320.74</b>		<b>\$72.07</b>		<b>\$319.37</b>		<b>\$320.74</b>	
Change from Previous Year	+4.5% \$3.24		+9.0% \$28.64		+9.0% \$28.73		+8.2% \$5.45		+5.8% \$17.53		+5.8% \$17.63	

## Recommendations

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, the University of Toronto Students' Union (UTSU; legally, the Students' Administrative Council) fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.39 per session in the society portion of the fee;
- (b) an increase of \$12.95 per fall and winter session in the Health Plan portion of the fee;
- (c) an increase of \$10.82 per fall and winter session in the Dental Plan portion of the fee;
- (d) an increase of \$0.18 per session in the Canadian Federation of Students portion of the fee;
- (e) an increase of \$0.04 per session in the Community Housing & Employment Support Services portion of the fee;
- (f) an increase of \$0.07 per session in the Downtown Legal Services portion of the fee;
- (g) an increase of \$0.01 per session in the Sexual Education Centre portion of the fee;
- (h) an increase of \$0.04 per session in the Student Refugee Program portion of the fee;
- (i) an increase of \$1.77 per session in the Bikechain portion of the fee; and
- (j) establishment of \$3.00 per session in the Regenesys portion of the fee.

THAT, beginning in the Winter 2026 session, the UTSU fee be modified as follows:

- (a) an increase of \$0.51 per session in the Student Commons Capital Levy portion of the fee; and
- (b) an increase of \$0.95 per session in the Student Commons Operating Levy portion of the fee.

## The Varsity

### Background

The Varsity's fee for the Fall 2024/Winter 2025 sessions, charged to all full-time graduate and undergraduate students on all campuses, was \$0.96 per session for graduate students and \$3.34 per session for undergraduate students.

### Request

1. An increase in the society fee.

At its meeting, held on April 9, 2025, The Varsity's Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a cost-of-living increase in the society fee.

In the course of considering this request, the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students has not received any complaints.

### Recommendation

THAT, beginning in the Fall 2025 session, The Varsity's (legally, Varsity Publications) society fee be increased by \$0.02 per session for graduate students and \$0.06 per session for undergraduate students.