

# ASUCD FEE

## 1. BASE FEE

Associated Students of UC Davis  
2024-25

### DEPARTMENTAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS AND FEES (COSAF)

Department Name: **Associated Students of UC Davis (ASUCD)**

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Referendum verbiage regarding allocations to this department: The quarterly ASUCD Fee is allocated to Unitrans, ASUCD Base Fee, Educational Opportunity Program and Cal Aggie Camp. The 2020 referendum increased the ASUCD Base Fee allocation only.

#### SECTION 1: DEPARTMENT ASUCD BASE FEE ALLOCATIONS

Expense	2023-24 Actuals	2024-25 Estimated Allocation
a. Student Salaries (including benefits)	\$48	\$2,100,000
b. Career Staff Salaries (including benefits)	\$54,518	\$0
c. Programs, Information Technology, Administration	\$810,819	\$3,000,000
d. Facility/Maintenance Expenses	\$	\$
e. Fixed Expenses (debt service)	\$	\$
f. Contribution to Reserves	\$3,737,154	\$32,000
g. Other (please list)	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,602,539</b>	<b>\$5,132,000</b>

#### SECTION 2: DEPARTMENT CARRY FORWARD

2023-24 Carry Forward (Taken from line 41 on Sources & Uses Report)	\$8,144,707
h. 2024-25 Estimated Contribution to Reserves (If above)	\$32,000
<b>i. TOTAL Estimated Carry Forward</b>	<b>\$ 8,176,707</b>

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## SECTION 3: DEPARTMENT RESPONSES

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1. Please describe the department's programs, services and/or facilities funded by the ASUCD base fee.

The fee supports student employee wage increases in accordance with State of CA mandatory minimum wage law, maintain an appropriate operating reserve to permit ASUCD the ability to buffer future years from unexpected costs and 25% return to aid. The fee supports current ASUCD operations, services, programs and events that serve UC Davis students such as The Pantry, Mental Health Initiative, Housing Advising, Coffee House, Bike Barn, Picnic Day, Whole Earth Festival, Entertainment Council, consultations with Legal Services, Aggie Reuse, KDVS, expanded funding for Cultural Days, Club Finance Council and removal of The CA Aggie Fee.

2. Please provide information on any substantial variance between 2023-24 and 2024-25:

There will be a significant variance because funds were billed to the wrong account in 2023-2024. ASUCD is collaborating with Student Affairs Finance to correct this by transferring the funding from the incorrect auxiliary account to the correct ASUCD Base Fee account for 2024-2025. ASUCD doesn't expect this issue to recur and aims to fully utilize the allocated funds for the year.

3. Please provide planned uses for **total** carry forward. Information provided here must match total on Line **I** in above chart:

ASUCD is collaborating with Student Affairs Finance, Business and Institutional Analysis, and Legal Counsel to determine appropriate uses for the carryforward funds. Before the ASUCD Base Fee was passed in 2020, ASUCD aimed to save 20-25% of its operating expenses in reserves. With the fee set to increase steadily until 2029-2030, ASUCD has updated its bylaws and financial practices to align with campus guidelines, now targeting 10-15% in reserves. The goal is to invest more in the initiatives from the 2020 fee referendum and explore one-time investments like capital projects that benefit undergraduates and support the university's long-term plans. Using the carryforward funds this way will reduce or eliminate the need for additional funding such as additional referendum, especially in light of the UC's budget crisis due to reduced state funding and rising costs.

4. Please provide information on the scope of student use of the programs/services/facilities funded by the ASUCD base fee.

The ASUCD base fee mainly covers two areas. First, it supports student wages and benefits (excluding self-revenue generating units like Unitrans, CoHo, and Bike Barn), as well as the salaries and benefits of career staff who assist student leaders in areas such as Admin General, Aggie Reuse, Aggie Studios, The California Aggie, Campus Center for the Environment, Creative Media, Entertainment Council, Executive Office, HAUS, IRL, IT, KDVS, Mental Health Initiative, The Pantry, Picnic Day, Pride, Student Government, Student Health and Wellness, and WEF. The second primary use of the funds is for operational costs, grants, general programs, and the maintenance or upgrading of facilities.