

STUDENT SERVICES FEE (SSF)

2024-25

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

SECTION 1: DEPARTMENT SSF DATA

The following data was provided to COSAF from Budget & Intuitional Analysis and Student Affairs Divisional Resources

Student Services Fee Recipient: **Student Fire Fighter Program**

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Finance Manager:

Total 2024-25 SSF Projected Allocation: \$100,000

Percent of Overall Budget Funded by SSF: 10%

Approximate percent of the total
2024-25 SSF revenue:

| Expense | 2023-24 SSF Actuals | 2024-25 Projected SSF Allocation |
|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Salaries/Benefits | \$68,255 | \$60,000 |
| Operational Costs | \$47,929 | \$40,000 |
| Other | \$0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL | \$116,185 | \$100,000 |

Explanation if over a 10% differential between 2023-24 and 2024-25:

N/A

SECTION 2: DEPARTMENT RESPONSES

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1. Please provide a general description of your department's function

The UC Davis Fire Department was established in February 1916 in response to several costly fires on campus. Initially created by a faculty committee led by Dean Van Norman of the School of Agriculture, the department formally began as a fire protection service for the University Farm. Today, the department has 59 employees, including full-time, part-time, and student staff. They respond to over 1,500 calls each year and provide a range of services, including emergency medical care, fire suppression, technical rescue, hazardous materials mitigation, public fire and EMS safety education, and domestic preparedness response.

2. Please list the departmental program(s) and/or service(s) specifically funded by the Student Services Fee

The Student Services Fee funds a portion of the wages and training costs for the Student Firefighter Program. Student firefighters work alongside career staff, responding to emergency calls and gaining hands-on experience in emergency services. The fee supports wages for emergency responses, training sessions, and certification courses in areas such as firefighting, technical rescue, and hazardous materials response.

3. Please provide information regarding the benefit to UC Davis students from the departmental program(s) or service(s) specifically funded by the Student Services Fee

The Student Firefighter Program provides a range of valuable experiences, including real-world emergency response training, firefighting certifications, and the opportunity to build professional relationships. While the majority of participants are undergraduate transfer and four-year students, the program is also open to graduate and professional students.

The program fosters strong relationships between students and fire service professionals and maintains an active alumni network. Alumni often return to volunteer, sharing their expertise and supporting the training of new student firefighters. The program's recent academy featured volunteer instructors from various fire departments across the state.

Our student firefighter program consists of 15 student firefighters.