Student Fee Advisory Committee

Funding Call Overview
2023-2024
Outline

- SFAC 101
- Funding call application
- Past funding call summary
- Tips from the committee
- Breakout rooms for feedback
SFAC discusses all matters pertaining to student fees

Annual funding call to spend Student Services Fee, Measure 7 funds & and EMH (~$710k + $90k allocated in 2022-23)

Provide opinion on fee referenda on spring ballot (aka soon-to-be campus-based fees)

Recommend summer campus-based fee levels

Review facilities projects for student fee funded buildings ... and anything to assist the VC of the DSAS
Representatives are mostly students with some faculty and staff

- 14 voting members
  - 10 undergrads
  - 2 grad students
  - 1 faculty
  - 1 staff

- 3 non-voting members
  - DSAS adviser
  - Budget, Planning & Analysis
  - SUA ex-officio
Council on Student Fees advocates for transparency, accountability, and student services

CSF is a system-wide collaborative body of the SFACs that advocates on behalf of students by increasing transparency, ensuring accountability and enriching student services to improve the quality of the student experience. We meet on a quarterly basis.
Help us advertise for our open position: Oakes Rep

1 position yet to be filled! Transfer students are highly encouraged to apply. Apply through the SCOC.

Description:

- 2-year commitment (not a deal-breaker)
- $833 per quarter
- 1.5-2 hour meeting every week
- Report back to senates
Funding Call Application

STUDENT FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FUNDING CALL
Allocate SSF/M7/Equity in Mental Health funds to support student experience

- Student Services Fee + Measure 7 support student programs that are *not* related to academics/instruction
- E.g., staff and student salaries, programming, minor maintenance projects, technology, etc.
- $639,000 in one-time funding ($710,384 last year)
- Equity in Mental Health funding ($84,738)
- Funding call information, application, and budget template on our [website](#)
Equity in Mental Health Funding

- In 2021, the University of California developed an Equity in Mental Health Funding Plan, which supports universal prevention, early intervention, and treatment services for students.

- The monies for the Equity in Mental Health Funding initiative were made available via The Budget Act of 2021 (California Assembly Bill 128).

- A portion of the Equity in Mental Health Funding that was allocated to UCSC has been designated for student initiated programs that support the following: Holistic Treatment and Recovery, Early Intervention and Collaborative Well-being Programs, or Comprehensive Universal Prevention and Wellness Programs.

- For more information on the Equity in Mental Health Funding, please visit this [website](#).

- **$84,738 is available through this year’s SFAC call for student initiated requests.**
2023-2024 process and timeline

Step 1: Draft proposal

a) Written description of your program
b) Budget sheet with expenses and description
c) Fiscal Year 2024 operating budget for the requesting unit (not required for student groups)

Step 2: Attend a workshop or consult with a member of SFAC (visit our website for contact info)

Step 3: Submit the online application. Applications are due by Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 5:00 pm.
2022-2023 funding call values & EMH Tiers:

- Diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Historically excluded communities
- Public health
- Sense of belonging, community, and collaboration
- Student retention
- Supporting equity in mental health (please remember to exclude mental health commentary for separate Equity Mental Health funding section)

- Tier 1: Holistic Treatment and Recovery
- Tier 2: Early Intervention and Collaborative Well-being Programs
- Tier 3: Comprehensive Universal Prevention and Wellness Programs
Post-proposal process

- SFAC members review and evaluate all proposals in winter. During this time, keep an eye on SFAC meeting minutes (which are public to track progress)
- Recommendations are then sent to the Vice Chancellor for the Division of Student Affairs and Success for approval
- Notifications in spring 2024
- Reimbursement model (with the exception of awards to student orgs)
  - Resources for awardees
Past Funding Call Summary

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FUNDING CALL
2019-2020 summary in numbers

Proposals received: 59
Proposals funded: 44
Proposals fully-funded: 4

Amount requested: $2,757,426
Amount awarded: $701,190

Average request: $46,736
Average award: $15,936
2021-22: funded 84% of proposals, 15% of requested $

Proposals received: 64
Proposals funded: 54
Proposals fully-funded: 2

Amount requested: $3,114,525
Amount awarded: $462,380

Average request: $48,664
Average award: $8,563
Values Cited in PAST Proposal

2020-2021

2021-2022
FY 23

- Highlights
F19, F20, F21, F22, F23 Conclusions

- SFAC funding is not guaranteed
- A vast majority of proposals are partially funded, usually less than 50% of the amount requested, and usually less than $20,000
- Larger requests have not historically been awarded more as well
- Most programs self-identified as serving historically excluded groups, promoting student retention, and developing a deeper sense of community. UCSC units have the preparation and knowledge to support students, but student fees are not enough to fund all the necessary programs.
Tips from the committee

- We read all the proposals and love each and every one of them, but on average we only fund 20-40% of a proposal.

- We spend the majority of our time figuring out how much partial funding to award, so be clear about how much funding you need for the program to be implementable (e.g., at least 3 student employees or at least 10% of the FTE).

- Let us know if you have any questions! Even if its just in understanding a question.
Thank you for helping to improve UCSC! Questions?

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Website and online materials: https://sfac.ucsc.edu/funding-requests/index.html