NEW FEES

UNDERGRADUATES WILL VOTE ON THIS ONE NEW INITIATIVE:

Daily Nexus Independent Student Journalism Support
Do you approve a mandatory fee of $2.93 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter, including summer, to support The Daily Nexus?

Breakdown of the increase: $2.20 is for The Daily Nexus; $0.73 is for return to aid; of the $2.20 for The Daily Nexus, a 7% administrative assessment will be charged on all non-capital expenditures.

The Daily Nexus currently collects (including all return-to-aid and administrative assessments): $3.85 per undergraduate student per quarter ($1.00 in summer) through an AS lock-in fee.

The Daily Nexus Independent Student Journalism Support fee would be in addition to the $3.85 ($1.00 in summer) per undergraduate per quarter currently collected, and would bring the total to $6.78 ($3.93 in summer) per undergraduate student per quarter.

______ YES ______ NO ______ ABSTAIN

The Daily Nexus is an independent, student-run, daily online news source with a weekly print edition that provides news of interest to the UCSB community relating to: political events, crime, business, sports, as well as arts and entertainment. The Daily Nexus also provides students with real-life journalism experience to express their opinions and report on current events.

The fee will be used to help maintain the daily operating costs of hiring and training student staff members, strengthening their professional development (such as annual media conferences), initiating summer online coverage, and sponsoring travel for students to report on critical news. The fee will also be used to purchase new equipment to create and distribute news through web, social media, print, podcast, and video presentation.
ONLY UNDERGRADUATES WILL VOTE ON THESE TWO REAFFIRMATIONS:

Campus Learning Assistance Services (CLAS)
Support Fee
Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $6.00 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, to help maintain the current level of CLAS group instruction, drop-in tutorials, and academic skills services?
Additionally, CLAS currently collects (including all return-to-aid and administrative assessments): $5.60 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, collected as an Associated Students lock-in fee, and $17.37 ($12.90 is for CLAS, $4.43 is for return to aid, and $0.13 is for administrative assessment) per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, collected as a campus lock-in fee.

for a total per undergraduate student per quarter fee of $29.97 (fall, winter, spring, and summer).
If reaffirmed, the $6.00 fee would continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2020.

YES _ NO _ ABSTAIN

The CLAS Support Fee helps maintain group instruction, drop-in tutorials, and academic skills services at their current level. Over 9,000 students utilize CLAS services, logging over 200,000 contact hours each year. Annually, CLAS serves students of all disciplines by offering an average of 640 tutorial groups, 5 drop-in centers, 336 academic skills workshops, as well as individual study skills consultation appointments. CLAS also hires 75-125 undergraduate students annually. In order to retain the current level of services and continue to grow to meet changing student needs, CLAS must maintain this fee. For the cost of the CLAS support fee, the average student using CLAS receives 20-25 hours of tutorial services per quarter.

Student Health Support Fee
Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $7.00 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, in order to maintain the current level of student health services?
Additionally, Student Health currently collects: $21.90 per undergraduate student per quarter (fall, winter and spring) and $17.90 for summer currently collected through an Associated Students lock-in fee, for a total undergraduate student per quarter fee of $28.90 (fall, winter, spring) and $24.90 (summer).
If reaffirmed, the $7.00 portion of the fee would continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2020.

YES _ NO _ ABSTAIN

Student Health is designed specifically to serve UCSB students to support their success. This health fee:
Helps Student Health to maintain a wide range of medical services with an extensive staff of doctors, nurses, therapists, counselors, psychiatrists, pharmacists, dieticians, lab scientists, x-ray technologists, dentists, hygienists, and optometrists working to address the needs of our campus community.
Helps maintain current hours of operation to include Thursday evenings, and offset rising costs.

All the following medical services are conveniently located on-campus:
- Same-day appointments
- Urgent care
- General medicine
- Advice nurse
- Women's health
- Men's health
- Psychiatry
- Specialists in Orthopedics and Dermatology
- Pharmacy (prescription and non-prescription medications)
- Laboratory and X-ray
- Physical therapy
- Massage therapy
- Dietitian
- Eye and dental clinics
- Immunizations for flu, tetanus, hepatitis, meningitis, travel, etc.
- Wart and acne treatment
- Counseling in substance abuse, eating disorders, sexual health

Student Health also provides public health information as it pertains to college students.

UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES WILL VOTE ON THIS REAFFIRMATION:

UCSB/MTD SuperTicket Bus Program
Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $13.13 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter (including summer) to fund the UCSB/Metropolitan Transit District (MTD) SuperTicket Bus Program? Any fee increase will be indexed to the MTD adult fare. If reaffirmed, the UCSB/MTD SuperTicket Bus Program fee would continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2020, unless cancelled by UCSB or MTD.

YES _ NO _ ABSTAIN

TRANSIT SYSTEM FEE AND ADULT FARE INDEMNITY:
The current per student per quarter fee for unlimited MTD bus service is $13.13. The student transit fee is indexed to the MTD adult fare. If the MTD adult fare were to rise, the student transit fee would rise proportionately.

BUS ACCESS: MTD will continue to accept UCSB registration cards with a current quarter validation sticker. In winter and spring quarters, or for the period of one week prior to the first day of classes, through the end of the second week of classes of each quarter, MTD will also accept a registration card validated for the previous quarter.

SUMMER ACCESS: Students who are registered for Summer Session will continue to have unlimited ridership with MTD from one week prior to the start of Summer Session to the beginning of fall quarter by showing their registration card with the valid Summer Session sticker. Thus, students registered in both quarters have access to year-round transportation.

CONTRACT REAFFIRMATION: If students reaffirm this fee, the contract will continue in effect until cancellation by either UCSB or MTD. However, a reaffirmation of this contract and fee by ballot voting will occur every four years.

CONTRACT AND BUS SERVICE: The current contract between UCSB and MTD does not specify the level of bus service, e.g., number of bus lines or hours. The contract does state that MTD must notify UCSB of any proposed service changes and hold a public forum at a location convenient to UCSB community. These public forums must be advertised in the Daily Nexus. MTD will also notify the presidents of Associated Students and Graduate Students Association when changes have been implemented that affect Gufeta, Isla Vista, and/or UCSB.

VOTING OPEN
APRIL 18-21, 2016

THE ELECTION IS ONLINE!

How to vote: Go to https://voters.ucsb.edu and follow the directions. The link is also provided on the UCSB GOLD system where you log in. You may vote on any campaign with Internet access. Public access computer work is located at the SHS, UCAN, the Library, and many residence halls. Any difficulty voting should be reported to the Technology Help Desk at 889-4888. These campus-wide votes will be run the ballot along with candidates for A.S. offices and A.S. fee referendum items. Graduate students will vote on a separate ballot. Be sure to be a registered student by April 15, 2016, to be eligible to vote.

PRO/CON STATEMENTS

All registered students are invited to submit written statements of support or opposition for publication in the Daily Nexus. Pro/Con statements must include the authors name and be submitted electronically to suanes@sa.ucsb.edu by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. Statements are limited to 150 words and will appear in the Daily Nexus during week three.

VOTER TurnOUT REQUIREMENTS

A minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required in order for the election to be considered valid. A reaffirmation fee with a portion of the fee voted on will be used to fund "UCSB" for the "Help" campaign. The amount raised by the "Help" campaign will be determined by the amount of the fee voted on. A deficit equal to the amount raised by the campaign to cover nondisciplinary fines for UCSB students who receive financial aid awards will be used to cover student-imposed mandatory campus fees. The surcharge applies to undergraduate and graduate student fees.

Definition of RETURN TO AID: The return to aid surcharge, 26% of the total fee charged, is assessed to every campus-based, student-initiated, new mandatory fee and access to campus services. The surcharge is levied by the campus to cover nondisciplinary fines for UCSB students who receive financial aid awards would not otherwise cover student-imposed mandatory campus fees. The surcharge applies to undergraduate and graduate student fees.

Definition of ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT: The administrative assessment, currently 7% of the base fee charged, is assessed to non-capital expenditures for every campus-based, student-initiated, new mandatory fee and access to campus services. The assessment is used by the campus to cover administrative costs of operating, accounting for, and monitoring any new approved mandatory campus fees. The assessment applies to undergraduate and graduate student fees.

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