

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
MANDATORY FEES REQUESTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015**

**Mandatory Fee:** Health Services

**Current Fee Level FY14:** \$160 Fall/Spring – Summer \$107

**Proposed Fee Level FY15:**

**FY 2013 Revenue:** \$7,977,269

**Fee Review Organization:** Student Health Advisory Committee

**Current Use of Revenue:**

Health Services is a multispecialty, ambulatory center that provides healthcare and health education to students and their spouses/domestic partners. Our state-of-the-art, 40,000-square-foot facility within the Joseph Brown Whitehead Building, provides primary care, women's health, psychiatry, travel, immunization and allergy care. There is on-site pharmacy, laboratory and radiology as well as nutrition services. Our staff consists of board certified physicians and certified nurse practitioners and physician assistants. Our professional staff also includes registered nurses, medical assistants, pharmacists, health educators, and laboratory and radiology technologists. Appointments are required for most services.

*General Services Covered by the Health Fee*

- Unlimited visits to a clinician in Primary Care and Women's Health. Limited visits to Psychiatry.
- Other services include
  - X-ray/interpretation by radiologist
  - Consultations with a pharmacist
  - EKG
  - Travel Clinic consultations
  - Urgent care & first aid
  - Flu shots
  - Some lab tests
  - Pregnancy testing
  - Health Promotion services
  - Blood pressure screening

*The health fee allows the following services to be offered at a low cost:*

- Psychiatry Clinic
- Laboratory testing
- Allergy Clinic
- Prescriptions
- HIV testing

- Gynecological testing
- Medical/orthopedic supplies
- Nutrition consultations
- Travel medications

Students may receive services based on enrollment at Georgia Tech and payment of the health fee or on a fee-for-service basis. Students taking 4 hours or more are automatically assessed this fee and are eligible for care upon registration. Students taking less than 4 hours, taking a semester off from class or participating in a cooperative program may receive services by paying the health fee or on a fee-for-service basis. Students' spouses and domestic partners are also eligible with payment of the health fee or on a fee-for-service basis.

***Explanation of Fiscal 2015 Fee Request:***

***Consequences If Request is Not Approved:***

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<b>Mandatory Fee:</b>	Athletic Association
<b>Current Fee Level FY14:</b>	\$127 Fall/Spring summer \$40
<b>Proposed Fee Level FY15:</b>	\$127 Fall/Spring summer \$40
<b>FY2013 Revenue:</b>	<b>\$5,117,430</b>
<b>Fee Review Organization:</b>	Georgia Tech Athletic Association

**Current Uses of Revenue:**

The Georgia Tech Athletic Association currently receives (for FY 2014) an athletic fee from Georgia Tech students that funds 7.73% of the total athletic operating budget of \$66,893,000. Athletic fee funding is essential to assuring that the Athletic Association produces student athletes who succeed on and off the field of competition. There was no athletic fee increase in FY 2014, FY 2013 or FY 2011. In FY 2012, the athletic fee increased \$4 per semester.

**Explanation of Fiscal 2015 Fee Request:**

Despite the fact that the Athletic Association faces significant financial challenges in the upcoming year, the GTAA is not requesting an increase in the athletic fee for 2014-15. The fiscal challenges facing athletics include the existence of several expense categories (such as scholarships costs, transportation and lodging and facility upkeep expenses) projected to grow as a result of factors outside the control of the Athletic Association.

While increasing Athletic Fee funding remains a necessary objective of the Athletic Association (Georgia Tech's student athletic fee revenue as a percentage of all athletic revenues is among the lowest in the Atlantic Coast Conference), for the immediate future, increasing football and men's basketball ticket sales has become the primary way the Athletic Association looks to confront its financial challenges. Football season ticket sales have dropped significantly since 2009, with 2009 sales = 26,338 and 2013 sales= 23,008. Men's basketball ticket sales have experienced a similar decline, with 2009-10 sales= 5,788 and, 2013-14 year to date sales= 4,000. These totals reflect a national trend of decreasing attendance at college sporting events in recent years (nine of the fourteen teams in the Southeastern Conference experienced drops in overall home football attendance in 2012); however, we are committed to making every effort possible to improve our results in 2014-15 and beyond.

During the current home football season, student attendance has been strong at each home game. The GTAA greatly appreciates the support the student body has provided at athletic events to date this academic year and thanks our students for the enthusiasm they have brought to our home games. In fact at the Virginia Tech game we gladly admitted and found seats for more students than the traditional student sections could hold. The Georgia Tech student body has accomplished this while other schools in the region, including Georgia and Alabama, have faced declining student attendance and enthusiasm at athletic events.

As a way to positively impact long term attendance at athletic events, the Athletic Association realizes the importance of maintaining the strong support of current Georgia Tech undergraduate and graduate students. The GTAA understands that in order for future alumni to become future ticket purchasers and/or donors their interaction with the Athletic Association and attending athletic events as students must be seen as a positive component of their experience. As part of this process, the GTAA requests the help of student members of the MSFAC in communicating the benefits students currently receive as a result of their Athletic Fee payment:

- Free tickets to home football games
- Free tickets to home men's and women's basketball games
- Free access to home baseball and volleyball games, as well as all other home athletic competitions
- Access to courtside seating at McCamish Pavilion
- Use of practice courts at the Ken Byers Tennis Facility
- Funding for Georgia Tech Band (340 student members)
- Funding for Georgia Tech Cheerleading program (40 student members)

The GTAA also requests the help of student members of the MSFAC and leaders of all student organizations in making current students aware of the opportunities the GTAA makes available to students upon their graduation.

- Football season tickets available to recent alumni at a 40% discount (total cost= \$160 for 2013 season) versus full price tickets
- Men's Basketball season tickets available to recent alumni at a 40% discount (total cost= \$168 for 2013-14 season) versus full price tickets

In future years, the economic realities of operating a top tier athletic program will require that the GTAA request from the MSFAC an increase in the athletic fee. However, rather than requesting a fee increase for 2014-15, the GTAA is asking for the assistance of student members of the MSFAC as well as representatives from the SGA and leaders of all student organizations to assure that the student body and the Athletic Association are working together to maximize student attendance and the student experience at athletic events.

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MANDATORY FEES REQUESTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015**

**Mandatory Fee:** Transportation

**Current Fee Level FY14:** \$81 Fall/Spring-\$54 Summer

**Fee Level FY15:**

**FY 2013 Revenue:** \$4,467,393

**Fee Review Organization:** Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee

***Current Uses of Revenue:***

Fee revenue and other income from transportation operations are used for the day-to-day operation of the Tech Trolley, the Stinger Bus, and Stingerette services. The Stinger and Trolley offer multiple routes with 13 buses and 8 trolleys to transport people to various locations on campus, Technology Square, NARA/TEP, Midtown MARTA and Georgia Tech facilities along 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

Stinger service provides 10 continuously running buses (with 3 spares) operating Monday through Friday from 6:50 a.m. until 10:07 p.m. Shuttle service to Publix-Atlantic Station is provided from 10:10 a.m. to 5:45 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays. The Stingerette Van Escort Service provides after-hours call-in campus transportation for students, operating daily from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. Disability transport service is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Tech Trolley provides 6 continuously running trolleys (with 2 spares) operating Monday through Friday from 5:45 a.m. until 10:14 p.m.; from 10:00 a.m. to 6:38 p.m. on Saturdays; and from 3:00 p.m. to 9:50 p.m. on Sundays, providing service between the Trolley HUB (adjacent to the Student Center) and the Midtown MARTA Station. The Tech Trolley also provides daily service to the Midtown Publix. The Midnight Rambler provides nighttime transit service seven days a week from 8:54 p.m. to 3:21 a.m., connecting west to east campus. The Rambler provides two trolleys on the route and includes convenient stops at the Clough Undergraduate Learning Center and the North Avenue Dining Hall. The Midnight Rambler is in service during fall and spring semesters only.

Fees are also used for capital expenses such as vehicle replacement, communication equipment, and transit shelters.

Transportation receives two major sources of revenue which include Student Fees and Institute Allocation dollars. This revenue represents approximately 93% of the department's total revenue.

Trolley and Stinger services are currently provided through a contract with a private vendor - Groome Transportation, and Stingerette services are staffed by Parking and Transportation employees.

The current annual service hours are approximately 21,200 for the Trolley and Midnight Rambler, 26,500 for the Stinger service and 18,300 hours for the Stingerette.

***Explanation of Fiscal 2015 Fee Request:***

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**Mandatory Fee:** Technology

**Current Fee Level FY14:** \$107 per semester

**Proposed Fee Level FY13:**

**FY 2013 Revenue:**

**Fee Review Organization:** Technology Fee Committee

**Current Uses of Revenue:**

The Technology Fee was implemented at Georgia Tech in fiscal year 1997. Tech was one of only four institutions in the university system to be granted approval for the fee at that time. The fee was initiated to help meet the ever-increasing demand and need for technological funding, as it became evident that traditional sources of funding could not keep pace with the need for technology expenditures. All units of the University System now have a technology fee in place.

The Technology Fee is used:

"to fund refurbishment of existing technology-based education equipment and innovative projects for the use of technology in education in the 21st century. Funds for refurbishment of technology should be made available on a broad, equitable basis to ensure modern technology for all students. Simultaneously, funds to develop new applications of new technologies enhancing education in the future should be funded through a competitive proposal process." (Technology Fee Policy)

**Recommendation:** The Technology Fee Committee while recognizing the steadily increasing technology needs for all programs, especially for basic classroom technology, a request will not be made for an increase in this fee for FY2014 in consideration of other fee increases requested.

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**Mandatory Fee:** Student Activity Fee

**Current Fee Level FY14:** \$123 Fall/Spring, \$62 summer

**Proposed Fee Level FY15:**

**FY 2013 Revenue:**

**Fee Review Organization:** Student Government Association

**Current Uses of Revenue:**

The Student Activity Fee (SAF) is used to support various organizations benefiting students, such as the Campus Recreation Center (CRC), the Student Center, Student Publications, Intramurals and student-run organizations. The student activity fee is administered through the Student Government Association (SGA).

Over the past six years the number of students enrolled at Georgia Tech has increased steadily starting at 16,000 students in the fall of 2005 to the current enrollment of 20,000 students. This increase in enrollment correlates directly to an increase in the use of the primary facilities that the SAF supports, particularly the CRC and the Student Center.

There has also been an increase in the number of student organizations on campus. For the past several years SGA has received well over \$5 million in funding requests annually. The SAF, which is the only source of funding for such requests, reached its highest level of funding in Spring 2009, generating \$4,369,838 in allocations.

**Recommendation:** No fee increase is recommended for FY2014.