

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
MANDATORY FEES REQUESTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019**

Mandatory Fee: Health Services

Current Fee Level FY18: \$165 Fall/Spring – Summer \$110

Proposed Fee Level FY19: \$168 Fall/Spring – Summer \$112

FY 2017 Revenue: \$10,409,648

Fee Review Organization: Student Health Advisory Committee

Current Use of Revenue

Health Services is 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 FY 2019 Student Health Fee Request

President Peterson formed four Presidential Action Teams during the fall 2017 semester. The [Student Mental Health Action Team](#) made the following recommendation under the heading of Improve Mental Health Services at Georgia Tech:

- “Add an additional full-time psychiatrist to Stamps Psychiatry Clinic to meet increasing demand for services.”

After analyzing our visit data, we do not need additional psychiatric coverage during the summer months and are therefore requesting funding for a 0.75FTE psychiatrist. Our current cash flow projections suggest we will end the year with a deficit, and we cannot support this additional psychiatric coverage without an increase in the health fee.

Consequences if Request for Fee Increase is Not Approved

Stamps Health Services has made a commitment to support the President's Action Team recommendation and has started the process of looking for and hiring an additional psychiatrist. Without a fee increase, Stamps Health Services will have to cut other services offered to students, increase other charges to students (e.g. no show charges, charges for labs, margins on medications, etc.), or utilize reserve funds, compromising the long term health of the organization, in order to fund this position.