# GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY FACT SHEET ON MANDATORY STUDENT FEES ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17

**NOTE**: The organizations noted in this document provide recommendations on fee levels for the upcoming year to the Mandatory Student Fee Advisory Committee (MSFAC), which in turn provides recommendations to the President. After consideration of these recommendations, the President submits his recommendations to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, which must approve the fees for the upcoming year.

- <u>Current fees</u>: <u>http://www.bursar.gatech.edu/content/tuition-fees</u>.
- More information on the MSFAC: http://www.budgets.gatech.edu/Views/MSFAC.aspx.

#### **Student Activity Fee**

The student activity fee is used to fund various organizations benefiting students, such as the Campus Recreation Center, the Student Center, Student Publications, and student-operated organizations. This fee is administered through the Student Government Association (SGA), which determines the funding allocations. Below is the distribution of the fee for Fiscal 2017 per the budget approved by the SGA:

	<u>%</u>	<u>\$</u>
Tier 1	<u>67%</u>	<u>\$83</u>
Campus Recreation Center Operations (CRC)	41%	\$51
Student Center Operations	26%	\$32
Tier 2 Tier 3	21% <u>12%</u>	\$26 <u>\$14</u>
Total Student Activity Fee	100%	\$123

## DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE REVENUE OFFICIAL STUDENT ACTIVITY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

**NOTE**: Explanation of tiers:

- Tier 1 base operational funding for CRC and Student Center
- **Tier 2** student organizations with a large impact across campus such as Student Publications, WREK Radio, and Student Government Association (SGA)
- Tier 3 clubs, professional and cultural organizations, and all other student organizations

For a more in depth break down of the Student Activities budget please visit SGA Budget.

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#### **Transportation Fee**

Fee revenue and other income from transportation programs are used for the operation of the Tech Trolley, Stinger, and Stingerette services. The Stinger and Trolley offer several routes to transport people to various locations on campus, including Technology Square and MARTA. See <a href="http://pts.gatech.edu/">http://pts.gatech.edu/</a> for more details.

#### **Student Health Fee**

The student health fee covers unlimited visits at the Stamps Health Center for outpatient medical treatment, including laboratory testing, radiology, pharmacy as well as health education and health promotion for eligible students and spouses. Other services are offered on a fee basis. See <a href="http://health.gatech.edu/">http://health.gatech.edu/</a> for more information.

### **Technology Fee**

The Technology Fee is intended to enhance the technology available for the education of Georgia Tech students. It is used to fund the refurbishment of existing technology-based equipment and to fund innovative projects for the use of technology in education. Colleges, schools, groups of faculty, students and staff may request funds. The Technology Fee Advisory Committee, which includes faculty and students, makes recommendations for the distribution of funds to the Provost who, in turn, allocates the funds. For more information see <a href="http://www.budgets.gatech.edu/Views/GTStudTuiFees.aspx">http://www.budgets.gatech.edu/Views/GTStudTuiFees.aspx</a>.

#### **Athletic Fee**

The Georgia Tech Athletic Association currently receives an athletic fee from the students that comprises approximately 7% of the total Athletic Association budget. The Athletic fee contributes to the operating costs of maintaining a quality Division I athletic program that is also NCAA and Title IX compliant. The Athletic Association provides recommendations on the level of this fee. For more information see <a href="http://www.ramblinwreck.com/">http://www.ramblinwreck.com/</a>.

#### **Recreation Facility Fee**

This fee, first implemented in Fiscal 2001, helps cover a portion of the debt service payments on the Campus Recreation Center (CRC). For Fiscal 2016 this fee covers approximately 70% of the debt service on the CRC. The Student Activity Fee provides funding for *operations* of the Center. For more information see <u>http://www.crc.gatech.edu/content/41/about-the-crc</u>.

## **Special Institutional Fee**

This is a general purpose fee charged system-wide by the Board of Regents (BOR) at all "teaching" institutions. This fee was established in 2009 to ensure continued academic excellence during times of reduction in State funding. This fee is required by the BOR and is not subject to a vote by the Mandatory Student Fee Advisory Committee. For more information see this <u>link</u>.

**NOTE**: See the Student Government Association's web site for more information on the SGA budget process: <u>Policy of the Joint Finance Committee</u> and <u>Executive Branch of Student Government</u> <u>Association</u>.