

UAS Student Fee Presentation

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UA Policy/Regulation on Fees

- *Administrative fees*
For services such as processing applications, certifications, transcripts, and similar activities.
- *Use and service fees*
For support services and activities such as parking, recreation and student activities, health centers, and technology enhancement
- *Course fees:*
Include lab and materials fees, noncredit course fees, private instruction fees, self-support fees, and special for-credit programs and courses.
- *Student government fees*



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Fees must:

- Have a direct relationship to the associated service, activity or course;
- Be based upon the estimated cost of providing the services or benefit;
- Only be used to cover the supplemental cost of consumables that normally cannot be economically or conveniently purchased by students or for the use of specialized laboratory equipment.



Authority to Set Fees

- UA President & Chancellor have the authority
- At UAS, fees are collaboratively reviewed by the Provost and Vice Chancellors.
- After review the executives submit recommendations to the Chancellor.



UAS Fee Strategy

- At registration, UAS students pay:
 - Tuition
 - UA Network Charge (4% tuition)
 - Lab and Material Fees (if applicable)
 - Consolidated Services Fee:
 - Juneau: \$47, Ketchikan/Sitka: \$25
- Fees are reviewed bi-annually



UA Network Charge (4%)

- UA-wide, set by the President
- Revenues shared equally with OIT
- Intended for “the maintenance and enhancement of university-wide technology infrastructure”
- At UAS, all funds are used to support the regional network infrastructure budget (71450)



Course Lab/Materials Fees

- Only for courses where students are provided consumable commodities or use specialized lab equipment
- Should recover 75% of actual booked expenses in accounts:
 - 4011 *Teaching Supplies,*
 - 4012 *Professional, Technical, and Scientific Supplies*
 - 4015 *Project/Program Supplies*
 - (2060, and 2070 for SOE practicum placement travel)



Consolidated Services Fee

- Flat amount/credit hour
- Consistently applied to all courses
- Transparent and predictable
- Regularly reviewed
- Positive response from students



Challenges with Complex Fees

Example from another University:

- Student Gov - \$42/sem, all area students at 3+ credits
- Athletics - \$10/SCH (max of \$120/sem), all area students at 3+ credits Health Insurance - required for Grad/International unless they have proof of other insurance
- Parking Decal & Transportation – varies by vehicle (single/multicar)/\$22 per semester all local area students at 3+ credits
- Health & Counseling - \$135/sem at 9+ credits (optional for 6-8 credits) including all resident students or those with health insurance
- Student Rec Center - \$75/sem, all local area students at 9+ credits (non-eLearning; 3-8 credits optional)
- Sustainability - \$20/sem at 3+ credits
- Technology Fee - \$5/SCH (max \$60)
- UA Facilities Fee - \$6/SCH
- UA Network Fee – 4% of tuition
- Student Life - \$45/sem, all local area at 3+ credits

Difficult questions to answer:

- What is the total fee burden?
- What does it cost to add a class?
- How much is refunded when a class is dropped?
- How practical is this to review?



Consolidated Services Fee

Replaces:

- Technology Fees
- Rec Center Fees
- Health Fees
- Student Gov Fees
- Whalesong Fees
- Summer Self Support Fees
- Distance/eLearning Fees
- Certain course fees
- UA Facilities fee
- Transportation fee



FY18 Juneau Campus Consolidated Fee Distribution

- Differences due to coding limitations in Banner
- Increased \$12 since FY14:
 - FY15-17: \$6 SW Facilities Fee
 - FY16: \$2.50 increase for Health and Rec Center
 - FY17: \$3.50 for shuttle

	Target	Actual
Health Clinic	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.03
Student Gov	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.53
Whalesong	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.33
Rec Center	\$ 11.10	\$ 11.09
Tech fee	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.22
Library	\$ 7.88	\$ 7.90
Learning Center	\$ 4.37	\$ 4.37
Facilities fee	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.02
Shuttle	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.53
Total	\$ 46.95	\$ 47.00



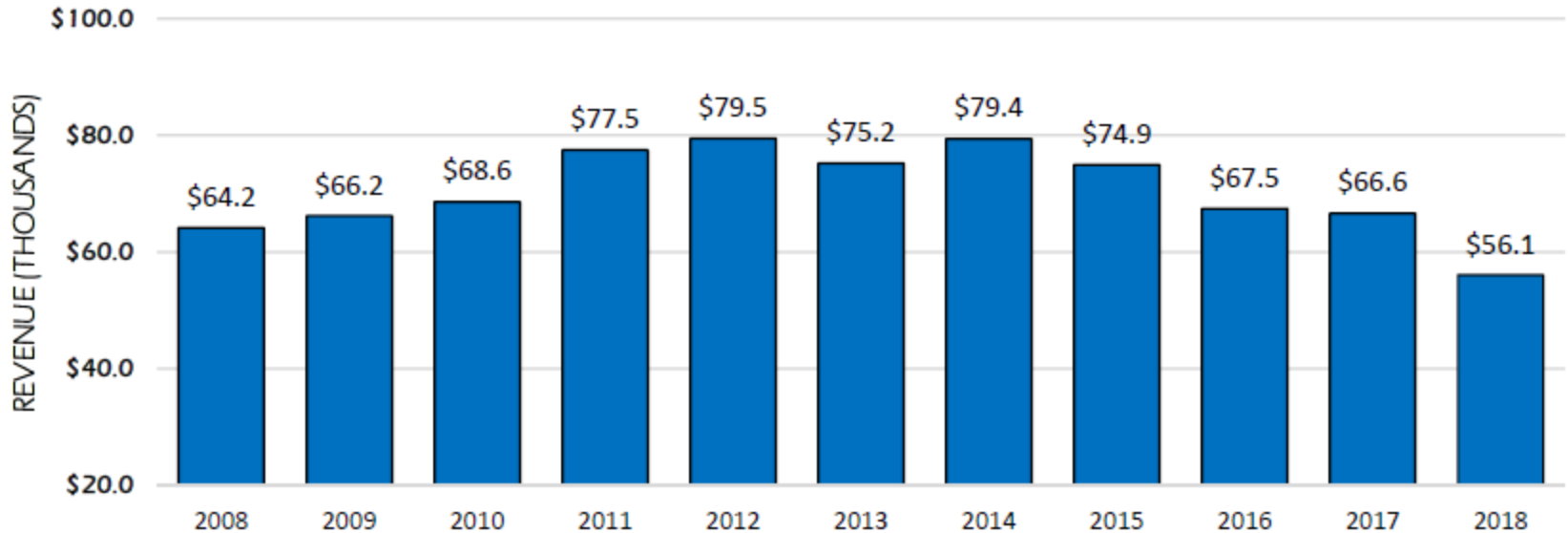
Upcoming UAS Reviews

- Fall 2017
 - Bi-annual review of the Juneau consolidated fee
 - Course fee review (recovering 75% of booked costs?)
- Fall 2018
 - Bi-annual review of the Ketchikan and Sitka consolidated fee



Revenue Trends: Juneau Tech Fee

Week 10: Technology Fee Revenue by Fiscal Year



Almost 30% decline since 2014 (week to week)



Issues to consider

- Do we raise fees?
 - Keeping in mind the current \$47 total
- Do we reduce services / can we reduce cost?
 - Have we already done so?
- Do we replace with funding from other sources?
 - Have we already done so?



And then there is this:

UA Internal Audit of Tuition and Fees

- 5 year analysis of changes (FY12 – FY16)
- Compare with western states
- Review policies and procedures for fee changes
- Determine if fees are being reviewed based on need and recovery targets
- Verify benefit to students and policy compliance
- Verify proper accounting and expenditures





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