

2016

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For the year ended 31 December 2016

The University of Canterbury consults with student representatives through the Joint Operations Advisory Board (JOAB) to make the following decisions related to Compulsory Student Services Levy:

- The maximum amount that students will be charged for student services
- The types of services to be delivered
- The procurement of these services
- The method for authorising expenditure on these services.

JOAB is the primary body for managing the partnership between the UC and the UCSA. It is made up on an even balance of UC staff and UCSA as representatives and as full members. Among its responsibilities the board makes recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor on allocations of funds from the levy and for setting the Levy.

It provides a formal forum for UCSA representatives to present the view of the student body to the management of UC related to activities

wholly or partially funded by the 'Student Services Levy'. Students also have representation on the University Council, which is responsible for the governance of the University, including oversight of the institution's policy, degree, financial and capital matters.

In conjunction with the UCSA, in the years 2011 through to 2016 surveys of student preferences on the allocations of operational and student space capital fund allocation have been carried out through JOAB. The findings from these surveys have been reviewed and debated in various meetings with recommendations being made to inform operations and allocations from the Student Services Levy funds.

For 2016 the Compulsory Student Services Levy per Equivalent Full Time student was \$770.00. These fees are separately accounted for in the University of Canterbury's accounting system. Details of Student Services Fees expenditure are provided to students in the Guide to Enrolment publication, on the Enrol at UC website, in student publication *Canta* and via campus poster campaigns.

UC Student Services Levy Allocations for 2016

	Actual (\$000's)	Budget (\$000's)	Variance (\$000's)
Compulsory Student Services Levy Collected	8,377	8,453	(76)
Services Funded by the Compulsory Student Services Fees			
1. Advocacy, legal and financial advice	620	612	(8)
2. Careers & employment information, advice & guidance	570	590	20
3. Counselling services and pastoral care	889	839	(50)
4. Health services	915	935	20
5. Media	328	328	
6. Sports, recreation & cultural activities; Clubs & societies	3,276	3,222	(54)
7. Balance to Student Space Capital Fund	1,779	1,927	149
Total	8,377	8,453	76
Surplus/(Deficit)	(0)	0	(0)

From categories of student services outlined in Education (Compulsory Student Services Fees) Notice 2014:

- Cat. 1 above merges Advocacy and legal advice and Financial support
- Cat. 2 above merges Careers information, advice and guidance and Employment information.

Other allocation categories match

- The balance not allocated is transferred to the Student Space Capital Reserve
- No funding is provided for Childcare services or Accommodation services.

Student Space Capital Reserve for 2016

	(\$000's)
Opening Balance 01 Jan 2016	4,090
Capital Reserve allocation from 2016 Levy budget	1,778
Minor Capital Works expenditure	(80)
Closing Balance 31 Dec 2016	5,788

	(\$000's)	
<i>Amounts allocated towards future year spending</i>		
Recreation Centre Development	500	From 2013 allocations
Capital Works Building Projects	1,168	From 2014 allocations
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Capital Works Building Projects	1,922	From 2015 allocation
Capital Works Building Projects	1,698	From 2016 allocation
Future Year Allocations	5,788	

UC Student Services Levy Allocations for 2016 (\$000's)
Actual expenditure of Student Services Levy by UC and UCSA Departments

	1. Advocacy & Financial	2. Careers & Employment	3. Counselling	4. Health services	5. Media	6. Sport, Cultural, Clubs	7. Capital	8. Total
1. UC Student Support: a team of eight staff develop and deliver a range of student-focused support services that facilitate the academic, social and cultural development of students from diverse backgrounds.	72	108	358	36		143		717
2. UC Disability Resource Services: delivers specialist advice and resources to disabled students with this funding to cover the additional expenses for servicing temporary disabilities and international students. Almost all of their funding comes from TEC Equity Funding. Note ¹				15				15
3. UC Health Centre Counselling: a team of five counsellors deal with all sorts of problems eg loneliness, grief, anxiety, depression, stress, homesickness, relationship problems, gender worries. Most counselling is short-to-medium term.			310					310
4. UC Health Centre: a team of 25 doctors, nurses and support staff provide high-quality, responsive and cost-effective services to its clients, to enable students to pursue their academic endeavours with minimal hindrance from medical and psychological problems, by providing affordable, accessible and comprehensive health services.				692				692
5. UC Rec Centre: a team of 15 plus an array of group fitness and exercise instructors manage UC Recreation Centre membership, programmes and facilities, to registered members.						1,334		1,334
6. UC Sport: a team of four and support staff deliver high-quality sport, fitness, health and education opportunities that enable students and the wider UC community to be more effective in their study and work and add value to their UC experience. The services are provided in partnership with UCSA with their separate allocation shown below.						408		408
7. UC Careers, Internship and Employment: a team of four engage with students and graduates by providing quality career education informed through effective connections with employers and industry.		448						448
8. UC Māori Development: a team of six deliver integrated support programmes for Māori students, focusing on skill development, community connections and pathways to academic success. A significant portion of their funding comes from TEC Equity Funding. Note ¹	88		72			106		266
9. UC Pacific Development: a team of six provide leadership in identifying and meeting Pacific educational aspirations, focusing on skill development, community connections and pathways to academic success. A significant portion of their funding comes from TEC Equity Funding. Note ¹	45	15	149			89		298
10. UCSA Advocacy & Welfare: provide advice, dispute resolution services, and welfare (free legal advice, budgeting help and a food bank); they also administer the Class Reps system.	416							416
11. UCSA Media & Comms: handle UCSA's communication channels to inspire debate, make you laugh, cry, angry, informed, ambivalent, nonplussed or otherwise.					328			328
12. UCSA Activities & Events: provide direct support to clubs, weekly student events and organise the big events of the year including Orientation, Grad Ball and the like.						899		899
13. UCSA Dental: provides access to basic dental care (check-up; x-ray; fillings; extractions) utilising the Canterbury District Health Board's Community Dental Clinic in Memorial Avenue for 20 hours/week.				172				172
14. UCSA Sport: the services are provided in partnership with the UC Sport and UC Recreation Services, with their separate allocation shown above.						295		295
15. Student Space Capital: the balance of the Student Services Levy transferred to the Student Space Capital Fund.							1,779	1,779
Total	620	570	889	915	328	3,276	1,779	8,377

Note 1: UC Disability Resource Services, UC Māori Development and UC Pacific Development funding for academic, recruitment and other non-prescribed CSSF Ministerial Direction category activities are funded directly by UC or from TEC Equity Funding. The table above identifies the cost activities that meet the prescribed CSSF Ministerial Direction categories.