

**CODE CHANGES 2021:  
FEES IN CODE**

TO: Council  
FROM: Governance Committee  
July 2021

Amendment to remove the fee amounts from Code.

Additions are indicated by ***bold italics***. Deletions are made by striking through (~~like this~~).

**SECTION XIII: FEES**

**Article 4. Allocation and Announcement of Fees**

1. Portions of the Society's fee may be designated by referendum to be used for certain specific purposes. Below is a list of the designated purposes; ~~with the fee levels as of September 2015. Note that some of these fee levels will change in subsequent years in accordance with paragraph 2 below because of indexing to the Consumer Price Index.~~
  - (a) AMS Membership fee, designated by the referendum of March 2011 and the referendum of January 2014: ~~\$38.14 for every Active Member;~~
  - (b) Capital Projects Fund, designated by the referenda of November 1982, November 1991, March 2011, January 2012, and January 2014: ~~\$7.44 for every Active Member;~~
  - (c) AMS Financial Assistance Fund, designated by the referenda of March 1998 and March 2011: ~~\$12 for every Active Member;~~
  - (d) AMS Athletics and Intramurals Benefit Fund, designated by referenda in March 1979, November 1982, January 1996, March 1998, and March 2011: ~~\$21 for every Active Member;~~
  - (e) Resource Groups, designated by the referenda of January 1996 and March 2011 : ~~\$1.56 for every Active Member, refundable upon request;~~
  - (f) AMS Refugee Student Fund, designated by the referenda of January-February 1985, January 1996, and March 2008, **and February-March 2016**: ~~\$2.61 for every Active Member;~~
  - (g) the Student Legal Fund, designated by the referenda of March 1998 and March 2011: ~~\$1 for every Active Member;~~
  - (h) CiTR, designated by the referenda of September-October 1999 and March 2011: ~~\$5.22 for every Active Member, refundable upon request;~~

- (i) Sustainability Projects Fund, designated by the referendum of March 2011: ~~\$2.35 for every Active Member~~;
- (j) International Projects Fund, designated by the referendum of March 2011: ~~\$0.26 for every Active Member~~;
- (k) an extended health and dental plan, designated by the referenda of September-October 1999, March 2011, and March 2016: ~~\$221.94 for every Active Member, refundable upon request for those with an equivalent health and dental plan~~;
- (l) a universal transit pass (U-Pass), designated by the ~~referenda~~ **referendum** of February 2003 **and subsequent referenda**, ~~January-February 2005, March 2008, March 2011, and January 2013~~: \$38 per month for every Active Member, except for certain exempt categories;
- (m) the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund, designated by the referenda of February 2003, January-February 2005, ~~and~~ March 2011, **and March 2019**: ~~\$3.39 for every Active Member~~;
- (n) the SUB Renewal Fee, designated by the referendum of March 2008 (for building the AMS Student Nest): ~~\$100 for every Active Member~~;
- (o) the Clubs Benefit Fund, designated by the referendum of March 2011: ~~\$1.56 for every Active Member~~;
- (p) the Childcare Bursary Fund, designated by the referendum of March 2011: ~~\$1.05 for every Active Member~~;
- (q) the Ombudsperson Fund, designated by the referendum of January 2012: ~~\$1.02 for every Active Member~~;
- (r) the Bike Co-op Fee, designated by the referendum of January 2013: ~~\$1.01 for every Active Member, refundable upon request~~;
- (s) the Campus Culture and Performance Fee, designated by the **referenda** ~~referendum~~ of March 2016 **and March 2019**: ~~a graduated amount for every Active Member, refundable upon request, beginning at \$1.50 in the 2016/17 school year, increasing by \$0.25 per School Year for ten (10) years, after which increasing annually in accordance with CPI~~;
- (t) the Sustainable Food Access Fee, designated by the referendum of March 2018: ~~\$0.38 for every Active Member, refundable upon request~~;
- (u) the Thrift Store Fee, designated by the referendum of March 2019: ~~\$0.95 for every Active Member, refundable upon request~~; and
- (v) the Indigenous Student Fee, designated by the referendum of March 2019: ~~\$0.95 for every Active Member~~;

- (w) ***the Athletics Facility Fee, designated by the referendum of March 2017; and***
  - (x) ***the Microbrewery Fee, designated by the referendum of January 2014.***
2. Subject to paragraph 3 below, all fees except the SUB Renewal Fee, the Athletics and Intramurals Benefit Fee, the Student Legal Fund Fee, and the AMS Financial Assistance Fund Fee shall be indexed to the British Columbia Consumer Price Index, using the September statistics from one Academic Year to calculate the increase for the next Academic Year.
  3. In accordance with the referendum of March 2016,
    - (a) the Campus Culture and Performance Fee shall not be indexed to the Consumer Price Index until ten (10) years after its first introduction;
    - (b) even if the Consumer Price Index declines, there shall be no reduction in the amount of the Health and Dental Plan Fee;
    - (c) there may be an increase of up to five percent (5%) in the Health and Dental Plan Fee even if the Consumer Price Index increases by less than that, provided that there has been a recommendation for such an increase by the AMS/GSS Health & Dental Plan Committee and that such a recommendation has been approved by a special resolution of the Graduate Student Society council and by a Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution of the Alma Mater Society Council; and
    - (d) the recommendation made by the AMS/GSS Health & Dental Plan Committee regarding fee increases referred to in paragraph (c) above shall reflect the financial status of the Health & Dental Plan as well as any coverage changes in the plan.
  4. ***The Vice-President Finance shall be responsible for ensuring that an updated list of the Society's fees, indicating which fees are opt-outable, is published on the Society's website.***

#### **Article 5. Graduating Class Fee**

1. Members of the graduating class, meaning all students in the Winter Session who are registered in the final year of a program leading to a bachelor's degree or a post-baccalaureate degree in medicine, dentistry, or law, shall pay a graduating class fee, set by the referendum of March 2019 at \$3.