



Recreation Fee Referenda 2023

Election Dates = Week 4 Spring Quarter
Mon, April 24 8am - Thur, April 27th, 4pm 2023.

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Fees up for *Reaffirmation* during the 2023 Spring Student elections:

- **Intramural Sports Fee \$5.92** Fall, Winter, Spring; **\$5.09** Summer (AS Fee - UG Only)
- **Recreational Sports Fee \$20.09** all Qtrs (AS Fee - UG Only)
 - Marketing, AP, EVENTS, IMS, Clubs

Fees up for *Introduction* during the 2023 Spring Student elections:

- **Recreation Center Operations Fee \$41.60** (CEC Fee - Campus Wide; UG & G)
 - **\$41.60/** quarter F, W, S
 - \$29.17 Rec Cen
 - \$10.39 Return To Aid → Goes to Financial Aid
 - \$2.04 Admin Assessment → Goes to Campus
 - **\$27.74** Summer
 - \$19.45 Rec Cen
 - \$6.93 Return To Aid → Goes to Financial Aid
 - \$1.36 Admin Assessment → Goes to Campus
 - Begins **Fall 2023**
 - Reaffirmation every **4 years**
 - Inflation Adjustment every **5 years** (Reads COLA on the ballot)
 - Sponsored by the Recreation Center Governance Board
- **Why**
 - Current Rec Cen I Lock-In **Fee Sunsetting** after Summer 2023
 - Rec Cen receives **NO \$ from Campus, State, or Tuition**
 - Necessary to allow registered students to continue using Rec Cen at **no additional cost/ no individual membership model**
 - Keeps **Rec Cen Open over 100+ hours** per week
- **Increased Funding to Support Initiatives**
 - Keep pace with inflation
 - Keep pace with student wage increases
 - Allocate \$ for deferred maintenance and ongoing repairs
 - Re-establish necessary reserve for major projects
 - Allows for new fitness equipment and upgrades

- **Additional Important Points**

- Increase from current Rec fees would be only **\$4.76 Undergrad, \$16.92 Grad**
- Rec Cen sees an average of over **2,600 visits per day** with peaks of over **4,700**
- Current Recreation Facility Improvement **\$15 Fee will decrease to \$2.84** (Flip the Switch)
- Rec Cen fee has **NOT increased since 1990**
- Inflation has gone up over **128% since 1990**
- Min Wage **\$4.25 to \$15.50** (1990 to 2023)
 - Student Wages & Benefits began at **~\$545,000**
 - 2022-2023 Student Wages & Benefits **~\$1,968,000 (almost \$2 Million)**
- Will remain near the lowest Rec Fees UC wide (10 UC's)
 - Currently 8th lowest just behind UC Berkeley
 - Could become 7th lowest (assuming UCI passes their current proposed initiative)

Recreational Sports, Intramural Sports, & Recreation Programming fee referenda are the PRIMARY funding for Intramural Sports, Sport Clubs, Student Events, Marketing, and Adventure Programs.

Student Recreation Facilities Enhancement fee (aka “Flip the Switch”) renovated and maintains Rob Gym, Pauley Track, and Storke Field.

Recreation Center Operations Fee funds the day to day operations, pays for equipment/ supplies, and helps fund ongoing maintenance.

Important General Information

- These programs, services and facilities **serve countless thousands** of Students and our Gaucho Community each year.
- Funds student employment for over **550 students**.
- Students participating in these programs are doing more than just having fun. They are
 - Enhancing their Physical and Mental Health
 - Developing New Skills
 - Gaining Leadership Experience
 - Building a Strong Social Network with Other Gauchos
 - Exploring our Natural Environment

Consequences for not passing

Recreation Center	Open hours would be reduced significantly and all users could be required to purchase an individual membership as either a day use pass, quarterly membership, or annual membership. As an example, UC Davis Recreation Center has undergrad only lock-in fees so UG students simply enter with their student ID, however Graduate Students must pay \$600 per year for an individual membership.
Sport Clubs	There would be no Sport Club team funding allocations. All costs associated with teams would fall directly on student team members. Hours at the Athletic Performance Center (APC) & Athletic Training services would be significantly cut back and costs to operate these services would need to be paid by students on the teams. Athletic Training coverage for home events would likely be limited to only "high risk" sports as opposed to all home sport club events. This change would also put more work on the Events staff as they would also be serving as first responders along with their other duties in lieu of athletic training staff not being present at all events. Practices would have to be shortened significantly to fall within new hours of operation. Home games and events cost (staffing) would be charged back to the students on the team and no longer be absorbed by the department.
Intramural Sports	Intramural Sports employs more than 100 students during a traditional quarter. If the Intramural Fee is not reaffirmed, Intramural Sports would have to employ drastically fewer staff to provide minimal safety supervision. The program would not have the ability to offer officials for basketball, soccer, or softball. Additionally, the Intramural Sports program would need to offer fewer leagues and participation opportunities. Currently, participation fees are heavily subsidized by the Intramural fee. Without the Intramural Fee, the program would need to significantly increase participation fees to more accurately reflect the cost of administering the program.
Adventure Programs	Adventure Programs are heavily subsidized by fee referenda. If they are not reaffirmed, there would be significant impacts to what adventures would be available. Additionally, any remaining programs would significantly increase in cost and would likely make them inaccessible to many students on a tight budget. As an example, the Adventure Pass (12 months of unlimited equipment rentals) would likely go from \$59 to \$199!
Events	The majority of Special Events, such as the Turkey Trot, Dodgeball Tournament, etc. are currently low or no cost. Many of the current events would likely discontinue all together and others would see a significant increase in costs to participate. The Events staff would be significantly reduced. Registered Campus Organization events such as Greek life philanthropies, dance group competitions, team bonding events, etc. would be significantly limited due to decreased staff. Sport Club events would be reduced due to limited staff and reduced facility hours.
Marketing	Funding for all student positions would likely disappear.

Current Student Fees for Recreation

UNDERGRADUATE

Rec Cen I	\$24.68
Rec Cen II	\$34.50
Flip the Switch	\$15.00
Rec Programming	\$7.00
Recreational Sports	\$20.09
Intramurals	\$7.06
TOTAL:	\$108.33

GRADUATE

Rec Cen I	\$24.68
Rec Cen II	\$34.50
Flip the Switch	\$0.00
Rec Programming	\$7.00
Recreational Sports	\$0.00
Intramurals	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$66.18

Proposed Student Fees Collected by Recreation Starting Fall 2023

UNDERGRADUATE

Rec Cen Operations	\$41.60
Rec Cen II	\$34.50
Flip the Switch	\$2.84
Rec Programming	\$7.00
Recreational Sports	\$20.09
Intramurals	\$7.06
TOTAL:	\$113.09
Currently	\$108.33
Increase:	\$4.76

GRADUATE

Rec Cen Operations	\$41.60
Rec Cen II	\$34.50
Flip the Switch	\$0.00
Rec Programming	\$7.00
Recreational Sports	\$0.00
Intramurals	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$83.10
Currently	\$66.18
Increase:	\$16.92