

Incidental fees support UO programs, services

Programs such as campus recycling and athletics all receive a portion of the money

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University students pay \$147.34 each term for incidental fees. Many don't realize where their money goes, even though they're surrounded by the programs they finance.

Incidental fees pay for ASUO student groups, student government, athletic activities and cultural programs that benefit the student body. These fees help support such programs as campus recycling, bus transportation for students and Career Center services.

The standard distribution of funds goes through a thorough review process, according to the Oregon Student Association. Student groups present their budget proposals to the Programs Finance Committee, which recommends a program budget. The Student Sen-

ate, ASUO president and University president review those proposals and submit their recommendations before the plan is given to the chancellor.

Students can also approve money for programs through initiatives during elections, in addition to financing through the standard budget procedure, ASUO Vice President Ben Unger said.

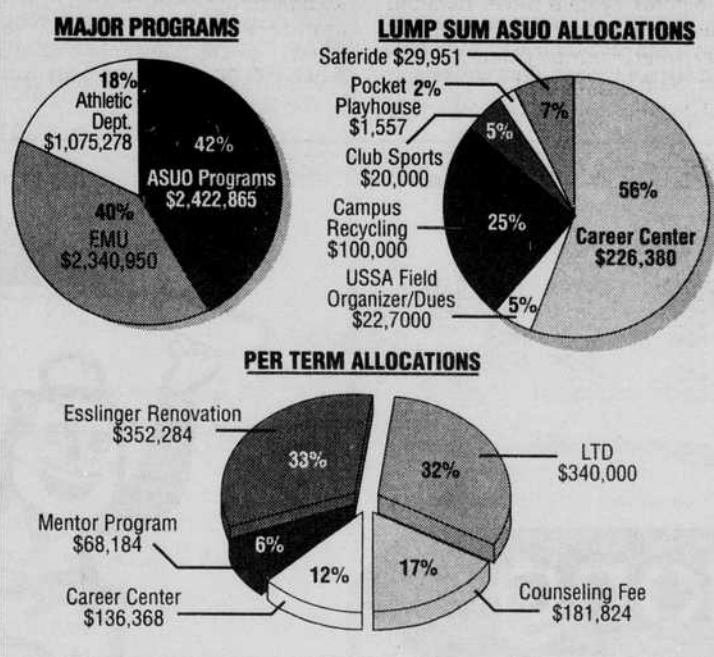
Last year, ballot initiatives allocated funds to programs such as Saferide and Club Sports.

Incidental fees grow every year — students paid only \$61 each term a decade ago. This year, incidental fees increased almost 10 percent over last year's fee.

The Esslinger renovation and expansion initiative that passed in the 1997 elections accounts for 5.8 percent of the increase. Students also voted to fund some programs in that election, including Saferide, Club Sports and the Pocket Playhouse. These added 0.8 percent to incidental fees. Another 3.3 percent covers inflationary increases, a usual increase each year.

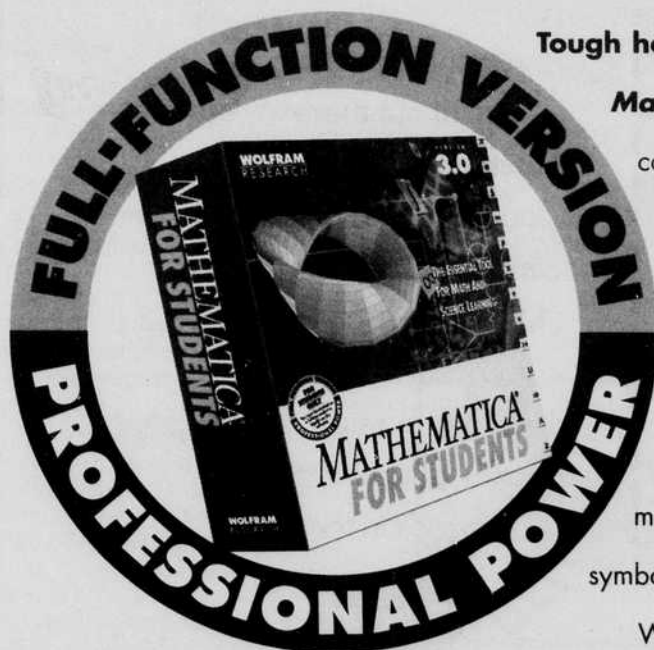
1997-98 Incidental Fees

Every student pays \$147.34 each term toward incidental fees. The ASUO funds most programs, although programs can also seek money through ballot initiatives and lump-sum allocations. Your \$147.34 breaks down like this:



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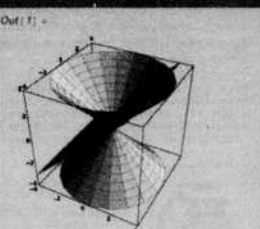


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