

Compulsory Ancillary Fee Descriptions for Graduate Students

2019-2020 Academic Year

Compulsory SOGS Fees	Description
Student Buildings	You can access all spaces operated by the USC: the Mustang Lounge, the Spoke, the Wave, Western Film, and other space in the University Community Centre. Student Building fees are considered essential under the Student Choice Initiative.
Student Recreation Centre Fund	This fee was previously approved through a student referendum to contribute towards the capital and operating costs of the Western Student Recreation Centre.
Academic Support (incl. Ombuds Fee)	You can access academic support in a safe and confidential environment where you can discuss University-related problems or concerns through the Ombudsperson. The USC also provides academic support by advocating to the University on student priorities, running the USC Student Appeals Centre and supporting career development opportunities, including job fairs. Academic Support is considered essential under the Student Choice Initiative.
Transit Pass	The London Transit Commission (LTC) bus pass provides unlimited access to the City of London's public transportation. For more information, visit https://sogs.ca/buspass/
Health Plan (Incl. Dental for SOGS)	The Society of Graduate Students (SOGS) Health & Dental Plan provides health coverage beyond provincial health insurance (OHIP) or the Universal Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) for international students. For more information, visit https://sogs.ca/healthplan . This coverage includes paramedical services (e.g. physiotherapy, massage therapy), prescription drugs, vision care, dental care, and travel coverage. Visit https://studentcare.ca for detailed coverage summary. *Canadian post-secondary students must have secondary health care coverage. **Students may not opt back in after the opt-in/opt-out deadline. ***Dependants (partner, spouse, and/or children) may opt in.
Grad Club Levy	The Grad Club is a campus eatery owned and operated by SOGS. It is also an inclusive and multipurpose space for graduate student social, wellness, and academic events. The Grad Club Levy contributes to capital expenses (renovations, equipment, etc.). For more information, visit https://gradclub.sogs.ca .

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SRS: Campus Recreation	This fee supports campus recreation programs including the operations of Western's intramural leagues & tournaments, recreational clubs, and fitness & wellness programs and drop-in facilities.
SRS: Intercollegiate Athletics	This fee supports Western's competitive sport program including our sports teams and competitive clubs. Remember, your student card gets you free admission to Mustangs home games!
SRS: Thompson Recreation & Athletic Centre	This fee supports the costs associated with running the Thompson Recreation and Athletic Centre.
Financial Aid Office	Student Financial Aid provides extensive student loan application review and consultation for undergraduate and graduate students in order to proactively clarify and correct errors, resulting in reduced application delays, processing times, and questions from OSAP, helping to ensure student funding is available at the start of the term.
Indigenous Services	This fee supports the programs, resources and supports available through Indigenous Services that support Indigenous student success.
Student Success Centre	This fee supports the programs, resources and supports in the areas of academic support and career development.
Student Development Centre	This fee supports the programs, resources and supports in the areas of student learning development and mental health care.
Student Health Services	This fee supports the wellness education programs and resources and the operations of the on campus health clinic.
Western Foot Patrol	This fee supports services related to student safety, including the safewalk service.