

# Sustainability Fee

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## *Procedure 5.11.1 Subpart J. Sustainability fee*

- *Colleges and universities, by affirmative vote of the campus student association, may establish a policy to charge a sustainability fee.*
- *The sustainability fee will be used in support of progress toward the system's commitment to environmental sustainability as outlined in Board Policy 5.17 and System Procedure 5.17.1, excluding capital projects.*
- *The budgeting process used for the allocation of these funds shall be similar to the processes used for student life activities.*

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- Proposal:
  - Create a new student fee – Sustainability Fee
  - Provides better transparency to students
  - Cost neutral to student
  - Remove similar amount from student life fee
  - \$0.42 per credit / \$5.04 per semester / \$10.08 per year
  - Board max is \$20 per semester
- Background:
  - Students initially increased the student life fee to fund sustainability initiatives - 2016
  - Mn State Board of Trustees created new fee in June of 2023