UNIVERSITIES OF WISCONSIN

2025-26 AUXILIARY RATE RECOMMENDATIONS

BOARD OF REGENTS'
BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
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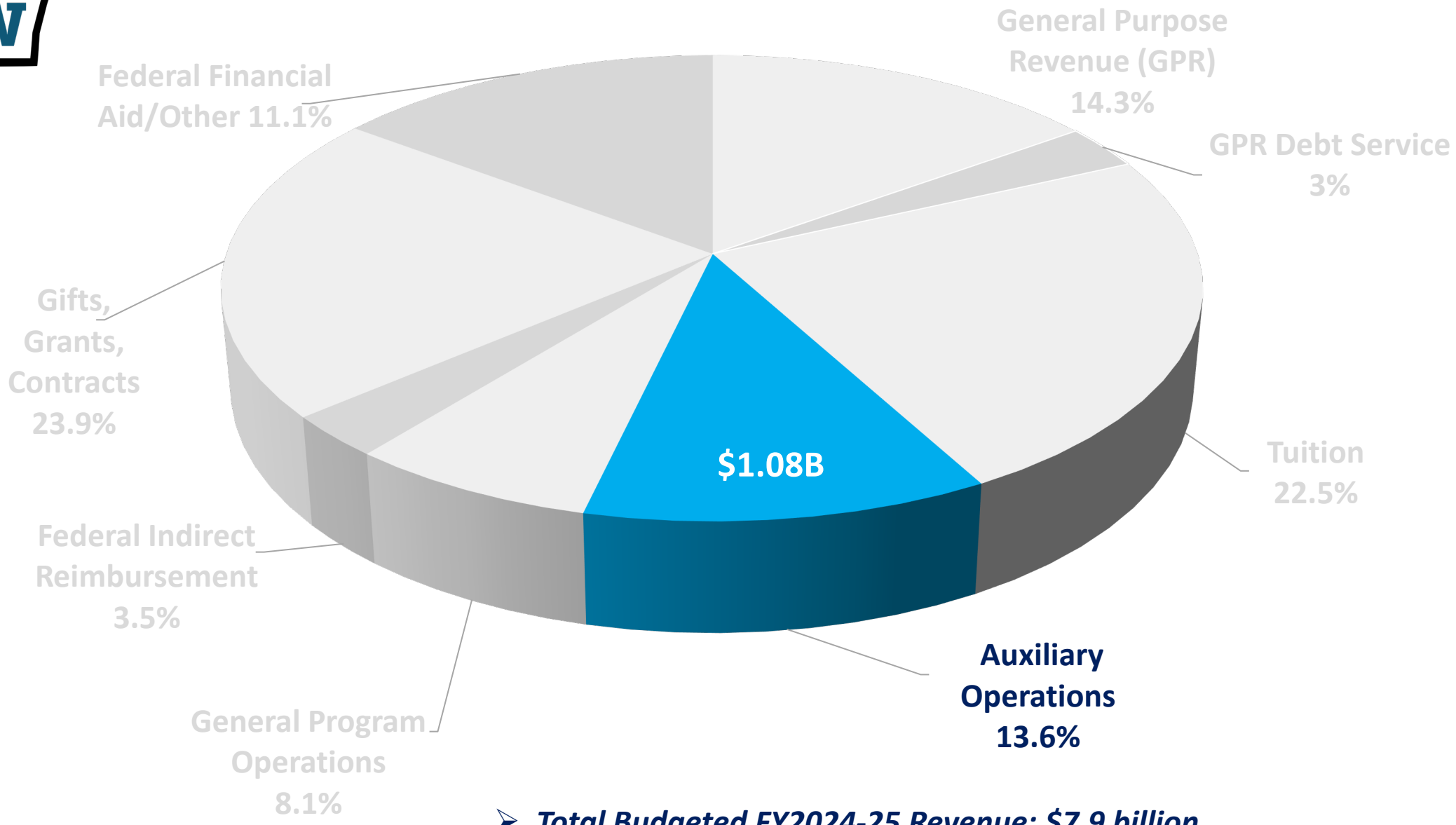
BIENNIAL BUDGET & TUITION PLANNING

- The UW 2025-27 biennial budget request includes items that tuition would need to address if not funded by the State:
  - Fully funded general wage adjustments
  - Fully funded merit and market salary adjustments
  - Student accessibility and success initiatives
- With uncertainty surrounding the $855 million biennial budget request, **tuition proposals will be addressed at a future meeting**
- **Segregated fees, room, and board are approximately 58% of the Board-approved costs of attendance** for an undergraduate resident student living on campus

FY25 REVENUE SOURCE: AUXILIARIES



- ***Total Budgeted FY2024-25 Revenue: $7.9 billion***

FY26 GENERAL AUXILIARY DRIVING COST FACTORS

- Assumes **5% pay plan** increase effective July 1, 2025 (FY26)
  - Included in Board's 2025-27 biennial budget request and in the Governor's budget proposal
- **Composite fringe benefit** rates for all funds
- Impact of **inflation**
  - Food service contracts
  - Software/IT contracts

Rate Recommendation: <u>Segregated Fees</u>

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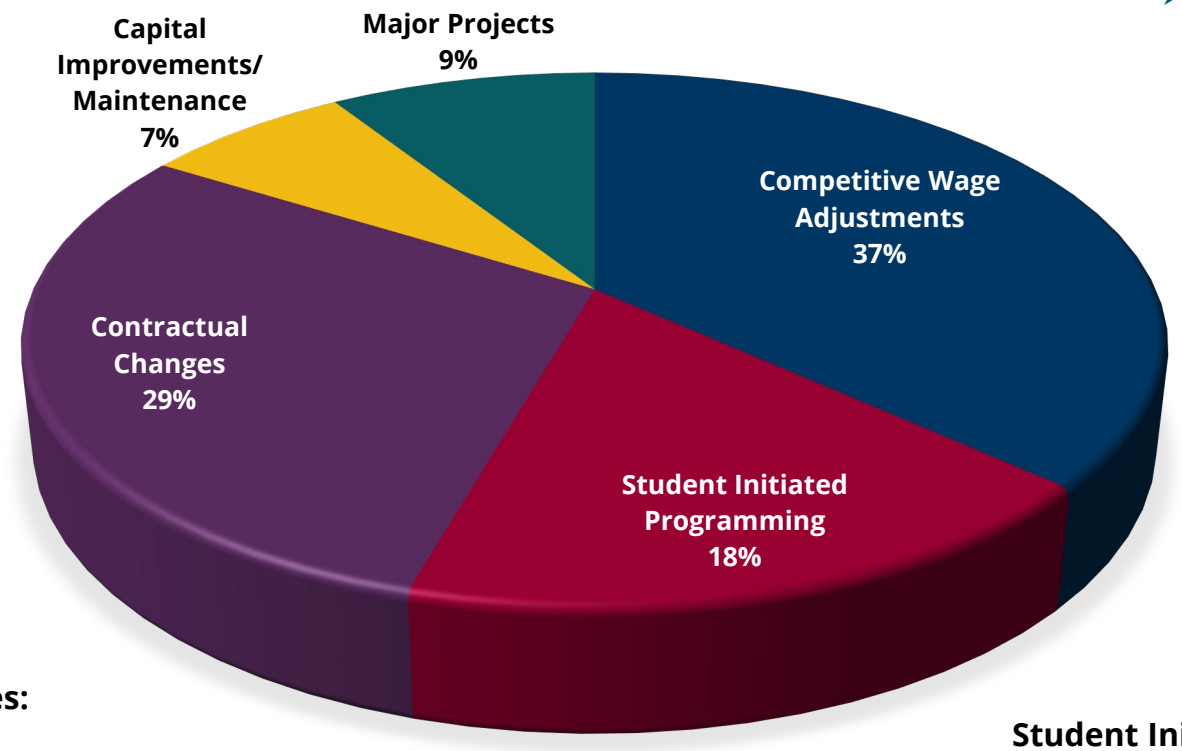
Total segregated fees are proposed to increase, on average at 4-year universities, by $55 per year, or 3.5%

FY26 Segregated Fee Increases by Category

(doctoral and comprehensive universities)

Major Projects includes:

- Debt service in the unions at Milwaukee, La Crosse, and Oshkosh
- Debt service in sports programming and facilities at Green Bay, Parkside, and Stevens Point



- **Average Increase of $55, or by 3.5%**

Contractual Changes includes:

- Transit
- Municipal Services
- Sports Programming & Facilities
- Health & Counseling
- Student Life
- Union
- Organized Activities

Student Initiated includes:

- Sports Programming & Facilities
- Organized Activities
- Mental Health
- Municipal Services
- Union
- Transit
- Student Life

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED SEGREGATED FEES

(doctoral and comprehensive universities)

UW University	FY25 Seg Fee Rate	FY26 Seg Fee Rate	$ Change	% Change
Madison	$ 1,597	**$ 1,660**	$ 63	4.0%
Milwaukee	$ 1,626	**$ 1,705**	$ 79	4.9%
Eau Claire	$ 1,711	**$ 1,739**	$ 28	1.6%
Green Bay	$ 1,575	**$ 1,575**	$ -	0.0%
La Crosse	$ 1,563	**$ 1,610**	$ 47	3.0%
Oshkosh	$ 1,471	**$ 1,579**	$ 108	7.4%
Parkside	$ 1,292	**$ 1,331**	$ 39	3.0%
Platteville	$ 1,299	**$ 1,330**	$ 31	2.4%
River Falls	$ 1,703	**$ 1,719**	$ 16	0.9%
Stevens Point	$ 1,670	**$ 1,730**	$ 60	3.6%
Stout	$ 1,671	**$ 1,758**	$ 87	5.2%
Superior	$ 1,731	**$ 1,836**	$ 105	6.1%
Whitewater	$ 1,287	**$ 1,344**	$ 56	4.4%
Average:	**$ 1,554**	**$ 1,609**	**$ 55**	**3.5%**

Prior-year average increase of $74 or 5.0%

Numbers may not add due to rounding

Rate Recommendation:
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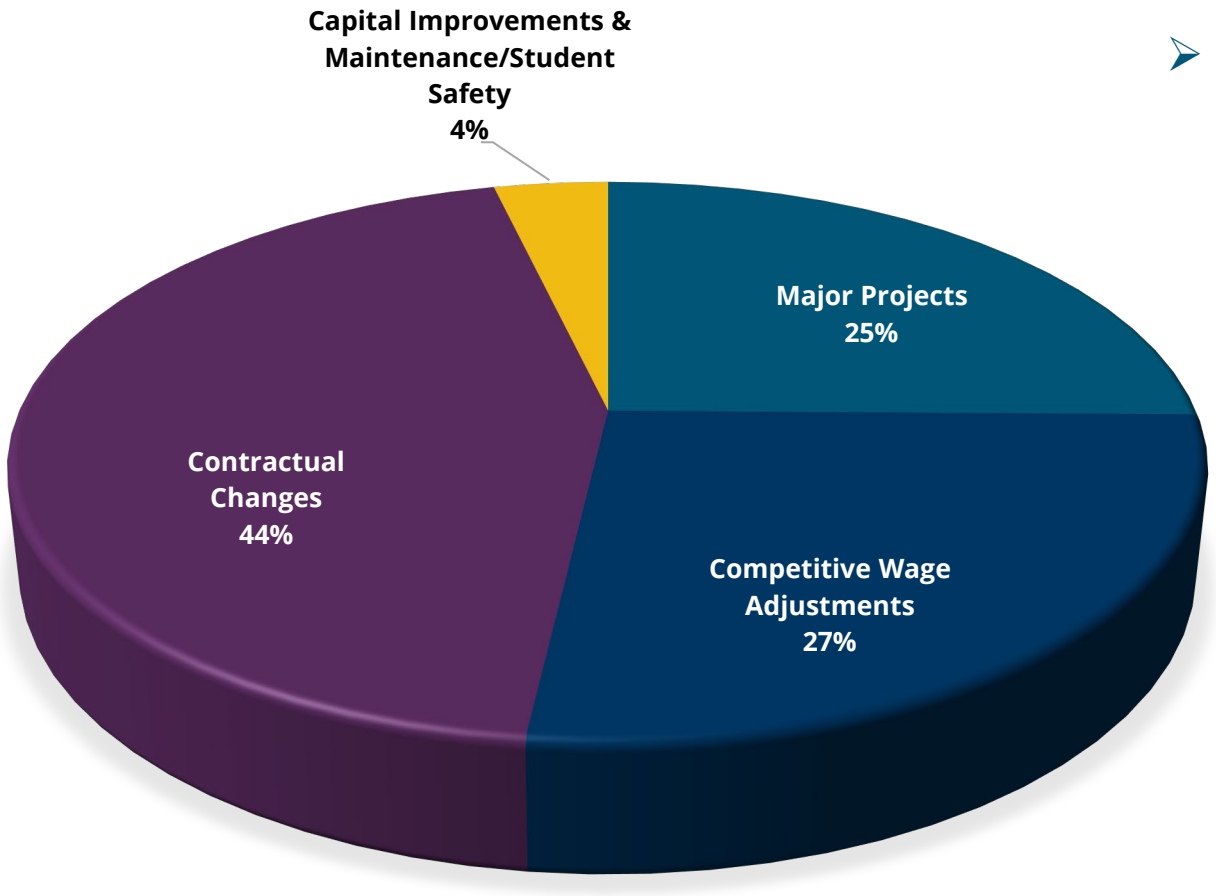
Room and Board rates are proposed to increase, on average by $245 per year, or 2.8%

FY26 Room and Board Increases by Category

(average cost for majority of students at doctoral and comprehensive universities)

Contractual Changes includes:

- Food costs and contract increases for dining operations at Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay, La Crosse, Oshkosh, Parkside, River Falls, Stevens Point, Stout, Superior, and Whitewater
- Increased utilities and other service costs in the residence halls at Green Bay, La Crosse, Oshkosh, Parkside, Platteville, Stevens Point, Stout, Superior, and Whitewater



- **Average Increase of $245, or by 2.8%**

Major Projects includes:

- Debt service in the residence halls and/or dining locations at Madison, La Crosse, Stout, and Whitewater
- Design fees for the Sandburg East Hall Tower bathroom renovations at Milwaukee
- Design fees for the Esker Hall remodel at Whitewater

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ROOM AND BOARD RATES

UW University	FY25 Room Rate	FY26 Room Rate	$ Change	FY25 Meal Plan	FY26 Meal Plan	$ Change	Total Room and Board $ Change	Total Room and Board % Change
Madison	$ 7,633	$ 7,833	$ 200	$ 4,500	$ 4,600	$ 100	$ 300	2.5%
Milwaukee	$ 6,545	$ 6,675	$ 130	$ 4,680	$ 4,820	$ 140	$ 270	2.4%
Eau Claire	$ 5,540	$ 5,540	$ -	$ 3,730	$ 3,720	$ (10)	$ (10)	-0.1%
Green Bay	$ 5,073	$ 5,263	$ 190	$ 3,140	$ 3,200	$ 60	$ 250	3.0%
La Crosse	$ 4,556	$ 4,693	$ 137	$ 3,054	$ 3,191	$ 137	$ 274	3.6%
Oshkosh	$ 5,309	$ 5,428	$ 119	$ 3,760	$ 3,967	$ 207	$ 326	3.6%
Parkside	$ 5,223	$ 5,370	$ 147	$ 3,264	$ 3,506	$ 242	$ 389	4.6%
Platteville	$ 5,220	$ 5,380	$ 160	$ 3,310	$ 3,310	$ -	$ 160	1.9%
River Falls	$ 4,952	$ 5,100	$ 148	$ 2,990	$ 3,170	$ 180	$ 328	4.1%
Stevens Point	$ 5,050	$ 5,075	$ 25	$ 3,750	$ 3,800	$ 50	$ 75	0.9%
Stout	$ 5,140	$ 5,340	$ 200	$ 3,518	$ 3,622	$ 104	$ 304	3.5%
Superior	$ 4,751	$ 4,905	$ 154	$ 3,146	$ 3,240	$ 94	$ 248	3.1%
Whitewater	$ 4,750	$ 4,916	$ 166	$ 3,175	$ 3,297	$ 122	$ 288	3.6%
Average:	**$ 5,365**	**$ 5,501**	**$ 136**	**$ 3,540**	**$ 3,649**	**$ 109**	**$ 245**	**2.8%**

Prior-year average increase of $266 or 3.1%

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FY26 Average Segregated Fees, Room, and Board for Resident Undergraduates

TOTAL PROPOSED CHANGE IN SEGREGATED FEES, ROOM, AND BOARD FOR RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATES

UW University	Segregated Fees	Room Rate	Meal Plan	FY26 Total	Total $ Change over FY25	Total % Change over FY25
Madison	$ 1,660	$ 7,833	$ 4,600	$ 14,093	$ 363	2.6%
Milwaukee	$ 1,705	$ 6,675	$ 4,820	$ 13,200	$ 349	2.7%
Eau Claire	$ 1,739	$ 5,540	$ 3,720	$ 10,999	$ 18	0.2%
Green Bay	$ 1,575	$ 5,263	$ 3,200	$ 10,038	$ 250	2.6%
La Crosse	$ 1,610	$ 4,693	$ 3,191	$ 9,494	$ 321	3.5%
Oshkosh	$ 1,579	$ 5,428	$ 3,967	$ 10,974	$ 434	4.1%
Parkside	$ 1,331	$ 5,370	$ 3,506	$ 10,207	$ 428	4.4%
Platteville	$ 1,330	$ 5,380	$ 3,310	$ 10,020	$ 191	1.9%
River Falls	$ 1,719	$ 5,100	$ 3,170	$ 9,989	$ 344	3.6%
Stevens Point	$ 1,730	$ 5,075	$ 3,800	$ 10,605	$ 135	1.3%
Stout	$ 1,758	$ 5,340	$ 3,622	$ 10,720	$ 391	3.8%
Superior	$ 1,836	$ 4,905	$ 3,240	$ 9,981	$ 353	3.7%
Whitewater	$ 1,344	$ 4,916	$ 3,297	$ 9,557	$ 344	3.7%
Average:	**$ 1,609**	**$ 5,501**	**$ 3,649**	**$ 10,760**	**$ 302**	**2.9%**

Prior-year average increase of $340 or 3.4%

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Rate Recommendation:
Textbook Rental Fees

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED TEXTBOOK RENTAL FEES

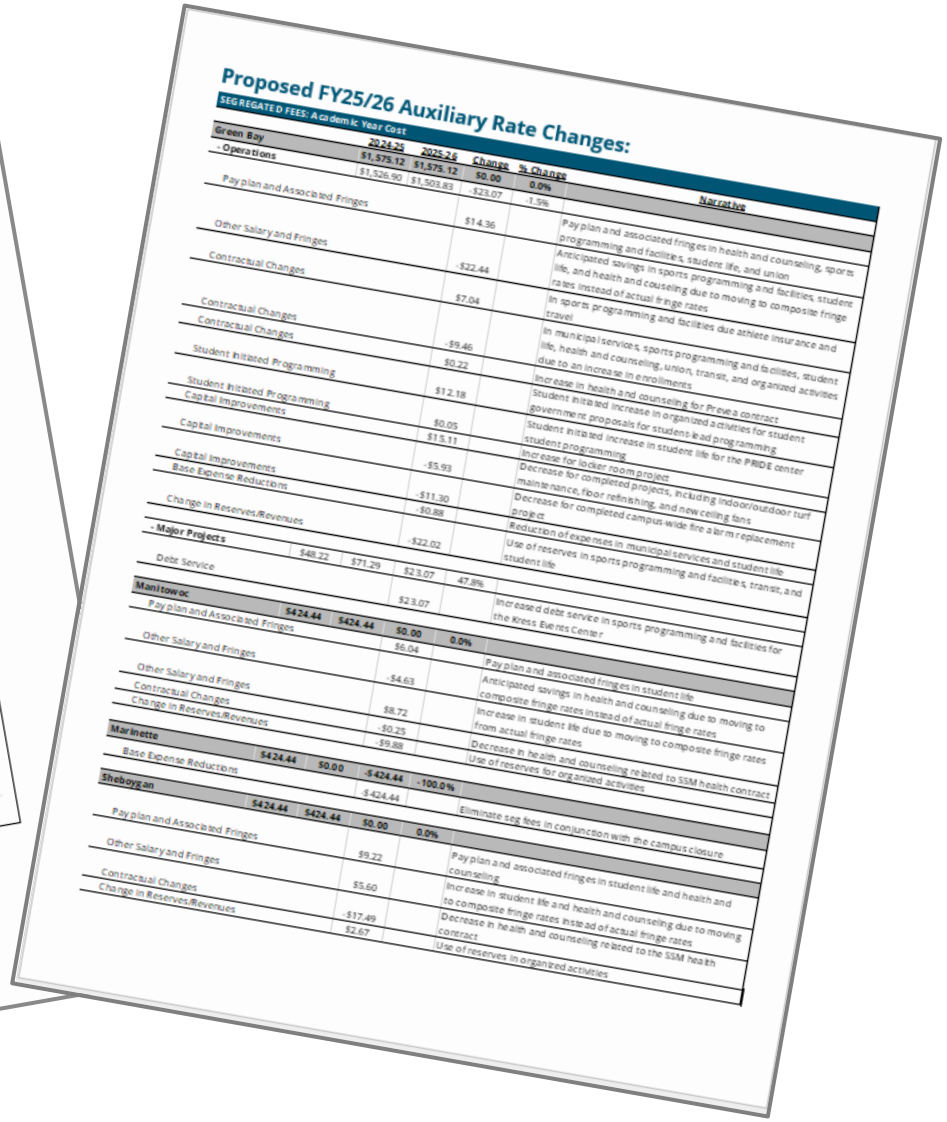
Campus	FY25 Textbook Rental Rate	FY26 Textbook Rental Rate	$ Change	% Change
Eau Claire	$ 140.00	**$ 140.00**	$ -	0.0%
EAU-Barron	$ 140.00	**$ 140.00**	$ -	0.0%
La Crosse	$ 173.92	**$ 173.92**	$ -	0.0%
Platteville	$ 219.00	**$ 219.00**	$ -	0.0%
PLT-Baraboo	$ 219.00	**$ 219.00**	$ -	0.0%
River Falls	$ 184.30	**$ 187.00**	$ 2.70	1.5%
Stevens Point	$ 180.00	**$ 192.00**	$ 12.00	6.7%
STP-Marshfield	$ 180.00	**$ 192.00**	$ 12.00	6.7%
STP-Wausau	$ 180.00	**$ 192.00**	$ 12.00	6.7%
Stout	$ 414.30	**$ 436.50**	$ 22.20	5.4%
Whitewater	$ 210.00	**$ 228.45**	$ 18.45	8.8%
WTW-Rock	$ 168.48	**$ 176.84**	$ 8.36	5.0%

RATE PROPOSAL DETAIL BY UW CAMPUS

UNIVERSITY of WISCONSIN GREEN BAY

Auxiliary Forecast as of December 2024:

Auxiliary balances are expected to remain steady in both the current and next fiscal year. The fall 2024 student housing occupancy exceeded expectations, and meal plans realized increases in both on and off campus students. This revenue growth is offsetting the planned spending of campus balances on capital projects. The university plans to spend $1.0M in parking lot and road way improvements over the next two fiscal years along with an additional $700K in electrical and fire alarm updates.



Proposed FY25/26 Auxiliary Rate Changes:

SEGREGATED FEES: Academic Year Cost

	2024-25	2025-26	Change	% Change	Narrative
Green Bay	**$1,575.12**	**$1,575.12**	**$0.00**	**0.0%**	
- Operations	$1,526.90	$1,503.83	-$23.07	-1.5%	
Pay plan and Associated Fringes			$14.36		Pay plan and associated fringes in health and counseling, sports programming and facilities, student life, and union
Other Salary and Fringes			-$22.44		Anticipated savings in sports programming and facilities, student life, and health and couseling due to moving to composite fringe rates instead of actual fringe rates
Contractual Changes			$7.04		In sports programming and facilities due athlete insurance and travel
Contractual Changes			-$9.46		In municipal services, sports programming and facilities, student life, health and counseling, union, transit, and organized activities
Contractual Changes			$0.22		due to an increase in enrollments
Student Initiated Programming			$12.18		Increase in health and counseling for Prevea contract
Student Initiated Programming			$0.05		Student initiated increase in organized activities for student government proposals for student lead programming
Capital Improvements			$15.11		Student initiated increase in student life for the PRIDE center student programming
Capital Improvements			-$5.93		Increase for locker room project
Capital Improvements			-$11.30		Decrease for completed projects, including indoor/outdoor turf maintenance, floor refinishing, and new ceiling fans
Base Expense Reductions			-$0.88		Decrease for completed campus-wide fire alarm replacement project
Change in Reserves/Revenues			-$22.02		Reduction of expenses in municipal services and student life
- Major Projects	$48.22	$71.29	$23.07	47.8%	Use of reserves in sports programming and facilities, transit, and student life
Debt Service			$23.07		Increased debt service in sports programming and facilities for the Kress Events Center
Manitowoc	**$424.44**	**$424.44**	**$0.00**	**0.0%**	
Pay plan and Associated Fringes			$6.04		Pay plan and associated fringes in student life
Other Salary and Fringes			-$4.63		Anticipated savings in health and counseling due to moving to composite fringe rates instead of actual fringe rates
Contractual Changes			$8.72		Increase in student life due to moving to composite fringe rates from actual fringe rates
Change in Reserves/Revenues			-$0.25		Decrease in health and counseling related to SSM health contract
Marinette	**$424.44**	**$0.00**	**-$424.44**	**-100.0%**	
Base Expense Reductions			-$424.44		Use of reserves for organized activities
Sheboygan	**$424.44**	**$424.44**	**$0.00**	**0.0%**	
Pay plan and Associated Fringes			$9.22		Eliminate seg fees in conjunction with the campus closure
Other Salary and Fringes			$5.60		Pay plan and associated fringes in student life and health and counseling
Contractual Changes			-$17.49		Increase in student life and health and counseling due to moving to composite fringe rates instead of actual fringe rates
Change in Reserves/Revenues			$2.67		Decrease in health and counseling related to the SSM health contract
					Use of reserves in organized activities

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