

Council of Graduate Students
Michigan State University

Resolution: 23-FS-14

Title: A Resolution to Endorse and Suggest Guidance for Recreational and Wellness Center Fee Relief Funding

Introduced by: COGS Executive Board

Introduced on: Oct. 18, 2023

THE COUNCIL OF GRADUATE STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACTS:

RECOGNIZING, The importance of providing financial support to graduate students;

RECOGNIZING, In response to concerns raised by students with financial difficulty, Student Life and Engagement, The Graduate School, and the Office of Research and Innovation have pledged to donate \$5,000-10,000 to a fund intended to relieve financial hardship incurred by graduate and professional students in response to the recent increase in the Recreational and Wellness Center fee to \$340 per year [1-2];

RECOGNIZING, The COGS Executive Board has identified several criteria that will be used to filter out those who apply to receive fee relief for financial neediness:

- All applications will be reviewed in chronological order, meaning that the first student to apply will be the first student to receive consideration for funding;
- The individual applying must be a graduate or professional student attending Michigan State University;
- Applications from individuals who have already been exempted from the recreation fee will not be considered;
- Must submit a minimum 100-word essay explaining how the recreation fee negatively impacted them financially;
- Must provide a copy of their student account summary charge as proof that they have been charged the Recreational and Wellness Center fee; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That the Council of Graduate Students endorses the creation of the Recreational and Wellness Center fee relief fund; and, be it,

RESOLVED, That the language presented in this resolution will supersede the language utilized in resolution 23-FS-04; and, be it,

RESOLVED, That this resolution will take effect at the end of the Full Council meeting in which it was adopted.

VOTED ON:

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Recording Secretary



President

References:

[1] Bollman, D. J. (2023). "Memorandum: Authorization to Proceed Student Recreation and Wellness Center." *Michigan State U.*, <https://trustees.msu.edu/meetings/documents/2023/BF7-PROCEED%20Student%20Recreation%20and%20Wellness%20Center.pdf>

[2] Gore, V. (2021). "Update for students." *Michigan State U.*, <https://recsports.msu.edu/events/Rebuilding.html>