

What can SSAF funds be used for?

Allowable Expenditure

1. providing **food or drink** to students on a campus of the higher education provider;
2. supporting a **sporting or other recreational activity** by students;
3. supporting the **administration of a club** most of whose members are students;
4. **caring for children of students**;
5. providing **legal services** to students;
6. promoting the **health or welfare** of students;
7. helping students secure **accommodation**;
8. helping students obtain employment or advice on **careers**;
9. helping students with **their financial affairs**;
10. helping students obtain **insurance** against personal accidents;
11. supporting **debating** by students;
12. providing **libraries and reading rooms** (other than those provided for academic purposes) for students;
13. supporting an **artistic activity** by students;
14. supporting the production and dissemination to **students of media** whose content is provided by students;
15. helping students develop **skills for study**, by means other than undertaking courses of study in which they are enrolled;
16. **advising on** matters arising under the higher education **provider's rules** (however described);
17. **advocating students' interests** in matters arising under the higher education **provider's rules** (however described);
18. giving students information to help them in their **orientation**; and
19. helping meet the **specific needs of overseas students** relating to their welfare, accommodation and employment.

Prohibited Expenditure

- Any purpose other than that which is specified under the allowable expenditure list.
- To support a political party, or the election of a person as a member of the legislature of the Commonwealth, State or Territory, or a local government.
- Care for children other than those who are the children of students, defined by the *Family Law Act 1975*

Do students have a say in how the fee is used?

Yes! Under the *Student Services, Amenities, Representation and Advocacy Guidelines (Representation Guidelines)*, universities are required to have a formal process of consultation with democratically elected student representatives and representatives from major student organisations at the university regarding the specific uses of proceeds from any compulsory student services and amenities fee.

These consultations must include:

- publishing identified priorities for proposed fee expenditure and allowing opportunities to comment on those priorities by students and student associations and organisations; and
- meeting with democratically elected student representatives and representatives from major student organisations at the university to consider the priorities for use of fee revenue.

The University Executive is responsible for determining fees and the approval of funds, usually the Vice-Chancellor & CEO.