



UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

FY2026 Operating Budget Development Narrative Prompts

STUDENT LIFE

OPERATING BUDGET PROPOSAL NARRATIVE PROMPTS DUE 2/24/2025

Programmatic & Academic Vitality Narrative

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Where possible, you are encouraged to leverage published materials already created

- 1) Please list your operating budget priorities for the upcoming period (bullet format) and how your campus/unit is aligning available resources with strategic programmatic goals and university initiatives (e.g. Diversity Blueprint, Population Health, etc). *Word Limit: 500*

Housing and Food Services prioritizes offering effective residential programs and services at a reasonable cost. The department focuses on serving students holistically, meaning not only meeting basic needs but also emphasizing community engagement, social and interpersonal interaction and development, academic success, and global citizenship. UW values are embedded in these programmatic priorities. Student satisfaction with the program is critical to ensure continued success. The department makes programmatic decisions within the context of remaining financially healthy and the ability to meet all financial obligations, avoiding any negative impact on the University. These priorities guide budget development and financial management within HFS.

Our Student Life Wellness Pod units' priorities include:

- Compliance
 - Department of Justice regulations regarding accessible web and educational materials
 - Federal anti-hazing legislation
 - Access coordinator caseloads for ADA compliance
 - Address academic misconduct in alignment with AI Task Force recommendations
- New Initiatives
 - UW Testing Accommodation Pilot Implementation project
 - Okanagan Charter possibility
 - Student Health Fee possibility
 - New mental health services (intensive outpatient therapy)
- Advance UW's reputational priorities
 - Career prospects for recent graduates
- Capital Project and Capital Improvement
 - ASUW Shell House
 - Docks and waterfront

Our Student Life Engagement Pod units' priorities include:

- Diversifying and advocating for increased fiscal support (GOF/DOF, SAF).
- Increasing and stabilizing operating reserves/fund balances.
- Maintaining programs and services that align with the needs of the diverse student communities served by Engagement departments.
- Retention of staff with competitive wages for staff.
- Addressing departmental space needs.



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Husky Health Center's priorities include:

- Improve access by expanding capacity and accepting only current UW Seattle students as new patients.
- Align with Diversity Blueprint by increasing financial support for underrepresented, undocumented, and underinsured students.
- Promote inclusive health initiatives, including sexual and reproductive health options for the student population.
- Increase collaboration with student government and campus partners to integrate wellbeing into the student experience.
- Prioritize projects at HHC that improve population health, foster diversity, and create financial sustainability, all of which contribute to UW becoming a health-promoting university.
- Demonstrate stewardship through sustained net positive operating income.
- Invest in recruiting and retaining excellent staff.

Required Budget Development Consultative Process Summary – Faculty, Staff and Students

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-- If specific questions are not applicable to your unit, simply indicate n/a --

Consultation with your elected faculty councils, student councils and unit/campus staff, regarding your unit's/campus's budget proposal materials, including your proposed FY26 operating budget, narrative responses, tuition rate recommendations and fee-based rate recommendations are an important and necessary component of the UW's budget development process. Your responses to the questions below will be documented and included as part of the FY26 operating budget development review materials provided to Executive Leadership of the UW.

PLAN NOW to ensure that all unit/campus review and consultative processes are completed by the February 24, 2025 due date.

- 1) Please indicate the date that FACULTY leadership within your unit/campus was consulted and provided the opportunity to provide input as part of this budget planning exercise **N/A**
- 2) Please list a point of contact for your FACULTY leadership (name and UW email address). **N/A**
- 3) Please indicate the date that STUDENT leadership within your unit/campus was consulted and provided the opportunity to provide input as part of this budget planning exercise. **N/A**
- 4) Please list a point of contact for your STUDENT leadership (name and UW email address). **N/A**
- 5) Please discuss how you involved campus or unit staff in the consultative process.
Budget development in Student Life is a collaborative process involving our Student Life units' finance staff in consultation with Directors and AVP leadership.
- 6) Since submission of your tuition and/or fee-based rate recommendations on January 24, 2025, has your campus or unit received any additional feedback from students? If so, please summarize here. **N/A**