



UW-P Budget

A Closer Look at Academic and Athletic Finance

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Throughout our student college experiences, the loaded amounts of homework, late hours and challenging classes are just a fraction of what we undergo. For some, clubs, organizations and sports practice pile on top. We thrive for an easy way out but realize that is never an option. To add to the stress, UW-Platteville for example, impels obstacles to completing these tasks.

Have you ever been frustrated when trying to find a computer on campus, let alone if it works properly? Have you ever pondered the many ways in which this campus could

put their money towards? What procedures are our college's budget?

Whether it is Williams Fieldhouse, teacher students are not aware of where the expenses academic and athletic expenditures at UW-P, stu experienced our teachers are and the detailed individual who participates in college sports.

Who is teaching at UW-P?

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In the fall, UW-Platteville will be flooded with returning students filing into classrooms. Amongst the rustling of papers and the reunion hellos, everyone will settle for the first day of classes.

In the front of the room stands a figure whom most will assume is their professor for that particular class. What qualifications and education does that person have in order to be qualified enough to teach at the college level? Who is teaching at UW-P?

Sue Hansen, interim dean of BILSA, said that teaching at the college level at least requires a bachelor degree. The teachers are classified in two different ways either as academic staff or faculty.

According to Hansen, an academic staff lecturer can have a bachelor's degree, a master's degree, or a doctorate degree. However, this does not mean that someone with a doctorate will necessarily receive a higher pay than another academic staff with a lesser degree.

The UW-P employee handbook chapter three states that Academic Staff is appointed in several ways. The

most popular way is a fixed term appointment where a person is hired for a definite period of time (usually one year) and after this time period is completed the contract may be renewed by the university.

Academic staff cannot be promoted to a faculty and tenure track position. There must be a new hiring process if a faculty position is open and a national search for applicants is conducted. Then academic staff can apply and be considered for that position.

According to the handbook, a person is classified as faculty if they hold the rank of professor, associate professor and assistant professor.

The tenure track is a seven year process to become a full professor. Each year faculty who have not yet reached full tenure complete an evaluation and are reviewed by their departments. Full tenured professors should submit an evaluation once every five years.

An assistant professor must have a doctorate or equivalent in appropriate discipline or a master's degree plus three years of teaching or experience. Hansen said that an equivalent is a terminal degree. This means that in a certain field of study a doctorate degree is non-



existent; therefore field would be the

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Professional profiles: professor, coach

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Charles Cornett, Ph.D. Full Professor: \$59,710

Charles Cornett earned his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry in 1990 from King College in Bristol, Tenn. Cornett went on to the

Cornett is currently a member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, American Chemical Society, Technical Working Group for Fire and Explosives, Council on Undergraduate Research and Midwest Association of Forensic Scientists.

He currently serves several organizations including Faculty Senate, Academic Program Council, Legislative Liaison Committee, Athletics Committee, Nippon Telegraph and Phone-

Mike Emmendorfer Academic Staff: \$59,663

Mike Emmendorfer received his Bachelor of Arts in physical education and recreation in 1986 from William Penn College. He eventually gained his master's at the United States Sports Academy in sports management in 1995.

Outfitting Athletics and Academics

UW-P pays to play: sports expenditures

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When we first think of the word outfit we tend to think of clothes. When it comes to athletics the term outfit means more than just clothes. University of Wisconsin Platteville's Athletic Director Mark Molesworth said that when the athletics department outfits an athlete they supply them with a team uniform, warm-ups, and any equipment that is need for the overall performance of the sport.

The athletic department has a budget of \$785,000 and of that money \$7,500 is used for all of these items. However, the budget for uniforms is not always enough. Anything extra that the teams may want they must use money that they raise on their own. The teams must raise money through ticket sales, fundraisers and the team's boosters. The number of students that take part in athletics is about 390.

Of these 390 athletes, each one is to be given the same amount of budget dollars that will outfit them. Some programs are going to have a more expensive budget than other athletic groups may have. For instance, the football team requires pads, helmets, uniforms, hitting machines, and balls. The track team though, does not have nearly the amount of requirements to properly outfit their participants.

"To take care of this the athletics department follows the act of gender equity title 9", said Molesworth.

According to The United States Department of Labor, Title 9 is a law that states that no participants or teams shall be excluded from opportunities given, thus ensuring equality. When the athletes are issued uniforms and warm-ups they are given equal performance materials.

"If the football team were to be given all Nike supplies then all of the other

athletes will also be given Nike supplies as well. None of the teams are given any special treatment", Molesworth said.

However, at the end of every season the athletes are to turn in all gear that they are issued, even their warm-ups or they will be fined. If an athlete chooses to keep their uniforms or they have not properly taken care of the uniform, they will be fined for this. To ensure that the student pays their fine they will have a hold on their account. The money that is repaid will go back into the budget for that specific sport.

Another issue about outfitting teams and athletes is the travel expenses. Every year when looking at where the teams are going, the Athletics Department decides what modes of transportation that they will utilize.

"If a team is traveling to another school that is close in terms of mileage, they typically use regular school buses", Molesworth said. This is due to the cost comparison of a regular school bus to that of a charter bus.

If a team, however, is going to be traveling a distance that will take several hours to get to their destination, then a charter bus may be used. Where as the cost of a regular school bus is considerably lower and does not have a minimum mileage rate. According to local High Schools, to rent a school bus the bill will be a combination of an hourly rate as well as a clean up fee. To add to the cost of travel, regulations on how long the bus driver can be traveling could cause the teams to have to stop along the way to sleep in a hotel.

"It is out of the pockets of the teams to foot the bill for the hotel", said Molesworth.

Thus if you are looking into budgets within the athletics department you will see that there is always something that came out of the budget to aid the athlete or team to strive and excel.

The costs to compute: technology

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The Pioneer Student Center and Karrmann Library are the two buildings on campus that house general access computer labs, according to the UW-Platteville website. Each of these buildings offer computers to students, staff and faculty at UW-P. According to Michael Sherer, Senior Network Administrator, there are a combined total of 269 computers in the general access labs. Of these computers, 32 of them are laptops that students may check out in the Bear's Den, located in the PSC.

Each year, \$70,000 is allotted from the state to go toward general access computers at UW-P. This money is used to update computers and software or replace unusable computers. With the \$70,000, approximately 60 computers can be replaced, with software updates.

The computers in general access labs are loosely on a four year rotation. The Office of Information Technology keeps track of what computers have been replaced and what ones have not and updates them accordingly.

"We don't always manage to keep up with the rotation," Robert Cramer, assistant chancellor for administrative services, said.

OIT is pushing to strengthen this rotation, so that students have properly functioning technology to complete their school work.

"Plus pricing of computers has dropped so more can be purchased with the money granted," Erich Matola, chief information officer, said.

OIT receives many complaints from students about broken computers in general access labs. Many broken computers can be attributed to the bulkiness of the computer. Having the tower located underneath the desk allows for students to bump their legs and break them. OIT is looking into Small Form

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