Continuous Improvement of the Campus Estimating Process

Have you ever received an estimate from Facilities Management that was more than you expected? If so, we understand your frustration!

Meet Greg Feazel, the Facilities Management estimator hired to help us improve our estimating processes. Greg has more than 15 years of construction/estimating experience. His goal is to make our estimates more accurate. We are now utilizing an estimating program that ensures that our in-house estimates reflect labor hours that are standard within the industry.

Facilities Management has created an estimating team in partnership with several academic unit building facility managers. One of the team's goals is to streamline the estimating process. One example of this is the introduction of the Common Jobs Usually Completed For Less Than $1,000.

With the goal of improving our efficiency, Facilities Management will no longer provide written estimates for requests for amounts less than $1,000. Rather, we are providing flat rates for common jobs under $1,000 allowing us to focus on more complex estimating jobs.

Keep Us Working for You!

Earlier this year, Facilities Management sent a ZotMail to you requesting your assistance in maintaining an attractive and clean campus environment. We received more than 50 requests for service on campus. We have addressed more than 75% of these! We appreciate your interest and pride in our campus, and are again asking for your input. Please assist us by identifying any landscape, custodial, or maintenance problems that require attention. Please understand that some items you bring to our attention may not be addressed immediately. Budget circumstances require that the most critical be prioritized and others addressed as resources allow.

Please email your comments, observations, or suggestions to us at fmavc@uci.edu. Thank you for your assistance and input.

Campus Upgrade Projects

Facilities Management is pleased to share some of our recent campus upgrades. Our Carpenter Shop replaced the entrance decking at the Disability Services Center. The project was scheduled over spring break to limit the impact to those entering the center.
Our Exterior Construction Crew corrected uneven concrete and pavement at two highly utilized areas, Crawford Fields and Social Science Quad. These improvements enhance the campus's overall appearance and help eliminate trip hazards for our students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

Facilities Management Project Services completed an upgrade to the Bren Events Center. The arena lighting was upgraded to improve athlete visibility, audience experience, and satisfy the NCAA requirement for championship-level broadcasts.
New Hydration Stations!

Help yourself to filtered water and go "green" by using your reusable container. We have two new hydration stations located on the first floor of Aldrich Hall and on the first floor of the Education Building. This brings the total number of hydration stations to more than 50 on campus!

Look for the symbol above on doors around campus with hydration stations or view a map with the hydration station location [here](#).

UCI is on the Road to Zero Waste!
UCI is well on its way to achieving its goal of "zero waste" -- that is, diverting more than 95 percent of its waste away from area landfills. The campus is currently diverting 83 percent of its waste by recycling, composting, and reuse. We have five buildings that are currently running zero waste 24/7. These buildings are Mesa, Brandywine and Pippin Commons, as well as the Newkirk Alumni House and the Anteater Recreation Center. In addition, the Phoenix Grill is the first dining facility to feature a post-consumer composting program. The food court uses recycling and composting bins with pictures that indicate which items belong in which bin. Should this pilot go well, the program will expand to other dining facilities to include the Student Center food court. These projects support our commitment to sustainability and will have a positive impact on our campus diversion rate! If you have any questions or want to support our zero waste efforts, please email us at ucirecycles@uci.edu.

Zero Waste Clusters on Campus - A Reminder

The campus’s commingled recycling program has helped UCI divert 83 percent of all waste away from landfills by recycling and composting. Please help us keep UC Irvine the No. 1 waste diverter among all UC campuses by sorting your waste accordingly:

- Blue commingled bins (on right): All dry plastics, glass, paper, and metals
- Bottle and can bins (center): Bottles and cans made of any material
- Brown landfill bins (on left): Food items and materials contaminated with food or liquids. Includes used tissues and paper towels.

Zot on Anteaters! Keep up the great work!

For more information about our commingled recycling program, please visit http://www.fm.uci.edu/CommingledRecycleProgram.html. Recycling questions? Write to ucirecycles@uci.edu.

Need to request a Facilities service?
Requesting a service takes only a moment:

- Submit an online request to the Facilities Self-Service Work Order Request System (UCInetID is required).
- You may also contact the Service Desk at fm-servicedesk@uci.edu or (949) 824-5444 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- In the event of an after-hours emergency, please call the Service Desk at (949) 824-5444 or Central Plant at (949) 824-5520.

The Facilities Management Maintenance Funding Guide can help answer questions regarding services we provide. This list differentiates between services that are centrally funded (paid for by state funds) for state-supported space and those services that are charged to the requesting unit. This list also provides a prioritization of services to help assist you in managing expectations for the work we provide. The Facilities Management Maintenance Funding Guide can be found at http://www.fm.uci.edu/maintenance_funding_guide.pdf