

Submitting a Divestment Proposal: FAQs

1. Who can submit a divestment proposal?

Any Oberlin College student, employee, or alum may submit a divestment proposal.

2. Where should a divestment proposal be submitted?

All divestment proposals should be submitted via email to the Oberlin College Investment Office at divestment.requests@oberlin.edu.

3. Which information should a divestment proposal include?

All divestment proposals should be in writing and should include the following information:

- The names of all individuals submitting the proposal
- The date of the proposal
- A narrative statement explaining how the proposal fulfills the conditions for divestment identified in the Oberlin College Board of Trustees' June 13, 2014, Resolution for Divestment (the Resolution): <http://new.oberlin.edu/divestment-resolution/>

4. How will divestment proposals be reviewed?

Initially, the Investment Office, in consultation with the Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, will determine whether a proposal contains all the elements listed above and whether additional information is necessary for the Board to consider the proposal.

Once that review is complete, the Investment Office will forward the proposal to the Board for its consideration. First, the Board's Executive Committee will conduct a threshold review. The Executive Committee will consider whether and how the proposal fulfills the conditions for divestment in the Resolution; the Board's moral, legal, and fiduciary responsibilities; and any other relevant criteria. Based on that evaluation, the Executive Committee may a) recommend that the Board decline the proposal; b) invite the Investment Committee to provide information regarding the potential impact of the proposed investment on the College's endowment; or c) take any other action consistent with its authority under the College's By-laws.

The Investment Office, with the input of the Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary as necessary, shall compile the Executive Committee's recommendation, together with any information from the Investment Committee, and forward the recommendation to the Board for its consideration as outlined in the Resolution. The Board shall deliver its decision in writing to the individual(s) submitting the proposal.