

# **STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**

## **MISSION**

Created in 1948, the State University of New York (SUNY) is the largest public university system in the nation with 64 campuses offering a complete range of academic, professional and vocational programs. The State University system is uniquely positioned to provide New Yorkers with access to quality postsecondary educational programs in all regions of the State.

## **ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING**

The three major components of the State University's mission – teaching, public service and research – are carried out by:

- Eight campuses offering academic programs through the doctoral level and serving as research centers;
- Fourteen comprehensive colleges providing undergraduate education in a variety of academic fields;
- Seven colleges of technology focusing on the development of a workforce with the advanced skills required by an increasingly technology-dependent economy;
- Five statutory and contract colleges at Alfred and Cornell universities that offer nationally acclaimed programs in ceramics, veterinary medicine, agriculture and life sciences, industrial and labor relations, and human ecology;
- Thirty community colleges offering access to a wide array of higher education opportunities that prepare students for transfer to senior colleges or train them for a variety of technical or paraprofessional occupations; and
- Three teaching hospitals in Brooklyn, Stony Brook, and Syracuse, along with a medical school in Buffalo, which provide graduate medical education training for SUNY students as well as valuable health care services for their host communities.

The University is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of 17 members, with 15 appointed by the Governor to staggered seven-year terms and approved by the Senate, and two ex-officio trustees representing the student assembly and faculty of the State University. The Board oversees the operations of the University's State-operated campuses and also exercises general supervisory authority over the community colleges, which are sponsored by local governments and governed by local boards of trustees.

The chief executive officer of the University is the Chancellor, who is appointed by the Board of Trustees. Individual college presidents are also appointed by the Board.

## **BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

The Executive Budget recommends **\$9.35 billion** All Funds for the State University of New York (\$2.6 billion General Fund, \$5.7 billion self-generated and federal funds, and \$1.0 billion capital funds). The budget includes General Fund growth in personal service costs (as a result of collective bargaining contracts), nonpersonal services, fringe benefits and community college enrollment growth, offset by General Fund decreases associated with reductions to State-operated campuses, statutory colleges and community colleges necessary to close State budget gaps.

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The Executive Budget reduces each agency's General Fund State Operations budget by 10 percent. These savings are intended to be achieved through administrative efficiencies in non-personal service and negotiated workforce savings that minimize layoffs to the extent possible.

Major 2011-12 budget actions:

- **Reduce General Fund Support for State-Operated Colleges:** The Executive Budget recommends a \$131.4 million decrease in direct General Fund support (approximately -10 percent from 2010-11 levels) for the operations of the SUNY State-Operated Colleges and University-wide programs. This reduction will be allocated by the Board of Trustees.
- **Reduce General Fund Support for Statutory Colleges:** The Executive Budget recommends a \$17.3 million decrease in direct General Fund support for the operations of the four statutory colleges at Cornell and a \$1.3 million decrease in direct General Fund support for the College of Ceramics at Alfred University (an approximately -10 percent decrease from 2010-11 levels).
- **Eliminate the SUNY Hospital Subsidy:** The Executive Budget recommends the elimination of the \$154 million General Fund subsidy provided to the three SUNY teaching hospitals at Brooklyn, Stony Brook, and Syracuse. This funding represents approximately eight percent of hospital operating revenue, the balance of which is supported by patient and other self-supporting program income.
- **Reduce Spending Authority for Long Island Veterans' Home:** The Executive Budget assumes a \$4.7 million reduction in operating spending for Long Island Veterans' Home, and the transfer of these savings to the State treasury.
- **Reduce Community College Base Operating Aid:** The Executive Budget recommends reducing base operating aid support for SUNY's 30 community colleges by 10 percent per full-time equivalent (FTE) student. As a result, the rate would decline from \$2,260 to \$2,034. This action generates General Fund savings of \$33.2 million.

### STATE-OPERATED COLLEGES

Executive Budget appropriations for the 29 state-operated campuses consist of \$2.1 billion in General Fund resources (including \$1.2 billion in fringe benefits) and \$1.3 billion for the collection and disbursement of tuition and other revenue for a gross instructional budget of \$3.3 billion to support senior college campuses, system administration and University-wide programs. Recommended levels of General Fund support (not including fringe benefits) represent an \$87.9 million decrease from 2010-11 final enacted budget levels, consisting of \$43.4 million in increases from collective bargaining and non-personal services inflationary costs, offset by a recommended reduction of \$131.4 million.

### STATUTORY COLLEGES

The Executive Budget recommends a total of \$129.3 million in General Fund support for the operations of the five statutory colleges at Alfred Ceramics and Cornell University. The four statutory colleges at Cornell (Agriculture and Life Sciences, Human Ecology, Veterinary Medicine, and Industrial and Labor Relations) would receive \$78.9 million, a net decrease of \$6.4 million from 2010-11 final enacted appropriation levels, reflecting \$4.7 million in increases from collective bargaining and inflation, offset by

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2011-12 reductions of \$11.0 million. In addition, the budget recommends \$42.1 million to support the land grant mission of Cornell University, a \$6.3 million decrease from 2010-11 final Enacted Budget appropriation levels. The College of Ceramics at Alfred University would receive \$8.1 million, a \$900,000 decrease from 2010-11 final Enacted Budget appropriation levels, reflecting \$400,000 in increases from collective bargaining and inflation, offset by a recommended reduction of \$1.3 million.

### **SUNY HOSPITALS**

The Executive budget proposes \$2.5 billion for the operations of the three SUNY teaching hospitals at Brooklyn, Stony Brook, and Syracuse, including \$350 million in spending authority for the operations of the Long Island College Hospital (LICH). This appropriation authority will be available if a proposed agreement for acquisition of LICH by SUNY Brooklyn Downstate Medical Center is finalized in the upcoming months. The SUNY hospitals will continue to reimburse the State for the full cost of capital projects, with \$48.0 million provided in transfer authority for this purpose. The Executive Budget eliminates a \$154 million State operating subsidy for the three SUNY hospitals, which represents approximately eight percent of total operating revenue.

### **COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

SUNY's community colleges have three basic funding sources: State support, local sponsor support, and student tuition revenue. The Executive Budget recommends \$427.8 million in State support, representing a \$23.9 million decrease in total available funding from 2010-11 final Enacted Budget levels. This change is attributable to increases of \$21.6 million for enrollment growth and \$2.8 million related to the expiration of one-time reductions from the 2010-11 FMAP contingency plan, offset by decreases related to the annualization of the 2010-11 enacted budget reduction of \$285 per FTE student (\$14.6 million) and a \$33.2 million decrease resulting from a recommended \$226 per student FTE reduction in base operating aid (from \$2,260 to \$2,034).

### **CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

County cooperative extension associations – funded by State, county and Federal contributions – provide specialized information and assistance in community development, agricultural technology, 4-H youth development and consumer and family education. The Executive Budget recommends \$3.9 million in State support for this program.

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

The 2008-09 enacted budget provided SUNY with \$4.1 billion in new capital appropriations, a major step in the implementation of a new, \$6.4 billion multi-year capital plan for SUNY's educational facilities, hospitals, residence halls and community colleges. The 2011-12 Executive Budget continues this commitment to the rehabilitation of SUNY's educational facilities infrastructure by providing the fourth of five annual \$550 million appropriations to address the accumulated backlog of critical maintenance projects throughout the University system. The Executive Budget also includes \$31.5

million for the State's 50 percent share of capital projects for community college campuses that have secured local sponsor resolutions, and \$421 million for SUNY's self-funded resident hall capital program.

### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

The State University of New York is the nation's largest comprehensive public university, offering 7,669 degree and certificate programs at the research universities, community colleges, medical schools and colleges of technology that comprise its 64 campuses. The State University enrolls approximately 40 percent of college-bound students graduating from New York State high schools. Nearly 468,000 full-time and part-time SUNY students – 222,000 at State-operated campuses and 246,000 in community colleges – are pursuing studies ranging from one-year certificate programs to doctorates.

In 2010, two SUNY campuses, Geneseo and Binghamton, were ranked among the top 10 best values for public campuses in the nation by *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* magazine. The academic profile of incoming students continues to grow stronger at SUNY campuses. Nearly three-fourths of students that enrolled at SUNY University Centers in fall 2009 had SAT scores above 1100, comparable to admission profiles found at other top public flagship institutions across the country. Overall, SUNY campuses averaged 1158 on the SAT, more than 140 points above the national average.

The State University is also working to expand the volume of scholarly research conducted by its faculty, and is more aggressively seeking Federal and other external support for research. As a result, SUNY sponsored research expenditures totaled \$922.0 million in 2009-10. Research grants at SUNY now underwrite more than 7,314 projects, which directly support more than 17,103 full and part-time jobs across New York State.

SUNY campuses are partners in the State's six University-based Centers of Excellence, a high-technology initiative that will continue New York's advancement in the areas of university-based research, business creation and job development, including:

- Albany Center of Excellence in Nanoelectronics, a semiconductor research center at SUNY-Albany;
- Buffalo Center of Excellence in Bioinformatics which includes the Life Sciences Complex used for super-computing, pharmaceutical research and workforce development; and
- Long Island Center of Excellence in Wireless Internet and Information Technology in tandem with several other high-tech research projects such as the Bioinformatics Research Center at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory.

The State University's 30 locally sponsored community colleges serve as a source of skilled employees and play a role in the State's efforts to attract and retain businesses seeking an able workforce. Through their policy of open admissions, the community colleges also ensure access to postsecondary education.

From the curriculum and instruction in its classrooms, research in its laboratories, support from its alumni and its appeal to a growing number of college-bound students, the State University continues to elevate its ranking among the nation's finest public universities.

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## ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2010-11	Appropriations Recommended 2011-12	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2011-12
State Operations	7,611,213,300	7,912,822,600	301,609,300	934,266,000
Aid To Localities	523,241,386	431,701,345	(91,540,041)	0
Capital Projects	572,426,000	1,002,571,000	430,145,000	6,573,059,000
Total	<u>8,706,880,686</u>	<u>9,347,094,945</u>	<u>640,214,259</u>	<u>7,507,325,000</u>

## ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Program	Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		
	2010-11 Estimated FTEs 03/31/11	2011-12 Estimated FTEs 03/31/12	FTE Change
	All State University Colleges and Schools		
General Fund	24,696	24,696	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	17,113	17,513	400
Capital Projects Funds - Other	6	6	0
Total	<u>41,815</u>	<u>42,215</u>	<u>400</u>

The above table does not reflect layoffs that may be necessary in the absence of negotiated workforce savings.

## STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
General Fund	2,298,224,900	2,190,233,300	(107,991,600)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	358,500,000	363,600,000	5,100,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4,937,888,400	5,339,889,300	402,000,900
Internal Service Funds	16,600,000	19,100,000	2,500,000
Total	<u>7,611,213,300</u>	<u>7,912,822,600</u>	<u>301,609,300</u>
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(1,115,000)		
Special Revenue Funds - Other	(1,794,000)		
Appropriated 2010-11	<u>7,608,304,300</u>		

## STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
All State University Colleges and Schools			
General Fund	1,087,428,900	961,623,300	(125,805,600)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	358,500,000	363,600,000	5,100,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4,937,888,400	5,339,889,300	402,000,900
Internal Service Funds	16,600,000	19,100,000	2,500,000
Employee Fringe Benefits			
General Fund	1,210,796,000	1,228,610,000	17,814,000
Total	<u>7,611,213,300</u>	<u>7,912,822,600</u>	<u>301,609,300</u>

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## AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
General Fund	503,802,736	431,701,345	(72,101,391)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	19,438,650	0	(19,438,650)
Total	<u>523,241,386</u>	<u>431,701,345</u>	<u>(91,540,041)</u>

## AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 State Stabilization Fund Special Revenue Funds - Federal	19,438,650	0	(19,438,650)
Community Colleges General Fund	371,182,736	427,781,345	56,598,609
County Cooperative Extension Program - Cornell University General Fund	132,620,000	3,920,000	(128,700,000)
Total	<u>523,241,386</u>	<u>431,701,345</u>	<u>(91,540,041)</u>

## CAPITAL PROJECTS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change	Reappropriations 2011-12
Senior Universities				
General Maintenance and Improvements				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	4,100,000
Capital Projects Fund - Advances	550,000,000	550,000,000	0	4,883,033,000
State University Capital Projects Fund				
State University Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	610,500,000
State University Residence Hall Rehabilitation Fund				
State University Residence Hall Rehabilitation Fund	0	90,000,000	90,000,000	95,000,000
SUNY Dorms (Direct Auth Bonds)	0	331,000,000	331,000,000	435,000,000
Subtotal	<u>550,000,000</u>	<u>971,000,000</u>	<u>421,000,000</u>	<u>6,027,633,000</u>
Community Colleges				
General Maintenance and Improvements				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	43,000,000
Capital Projects Fund - Advances	0	0	0	18,000,000
Cap Proj Fund - SUNY CC (Direct Auth Bonds)	22,426,000	31,571,000	9,145,000	484,426,000
Subtotal	<u>22,426,000</u>	<u>31,571,000</u>	<u>9,145,000</u>	<u>545,426,000</u>
Total	<u>572,426,000</u>	<u>1,002,571,000</u>	<u>430,145,000</u>	<u>6,573,059,000</u>