

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. SUNY is uniquely positioned to provide New Yorkers with access to quality postsecondary educational programs in all regions of the State.

Organization and Staffing

SUNY is governed by an 18-member Board of Trustees consisting of 15 members appointed by the Governor, by and with consent of the State Senate, and the Presidents of the Student Assembly, the University Faculty Senate, and the Faculty Council of Community Colleges, all three of whom serve as ex-officio members. Aside from the Board, SUNY's leadership structure consists of a Chancellor, individual college Presidents, and centralized staff. Additionally, each community college has its own campus President and Board of Trustees. The State University includes 29 State-operated campuses, five statutory colleges, and 30 community colleges, located across New York and employing thousands of academic, administrative, and facility personnel.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2025 Executive Budget recommends \$13.3 billion in total appropriations for SUNY and projects a workforce of 46,854 full-time equivalent employees.

The Executive Budget includes three different categories of appropriations for SUNY:

- \$11.6 billion for the operations of State-operated campuses, statutory colleges, and SUNY's hospitals, a \$162 million net decrease to appropriated levels compared to the prior year. This change is comprised of a \$390 million increase for the operations of four-year campuses and hospitals, the one-time \$500 million appropriation in FY 2024 for the State match to endowment contributions at SUNY's university centers, and the absence of \$52 million in FY 2024 paybill authority to support negotiated agreements for UUP, MC, and PEF.
- \$1.2 billion in new appropriations and \$5.7 billion in reappropriations for capital projects. The new FY 2025 appropriation total is \$679 million less than the new appropriation total in FY 2024, but \$296 million more than the FY 2025 appropriation level included in the FY 2024 Enacted Budget Capital Plan.
- \$445 million for community colleges, a slightly lower level than FY 2024 due to non-recurring appropriations.

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[Briefing Book – Higher Education \(PDF\)](#)

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Program Highlights

SUNY is one of the nation's largest comprehensive public universities, offering over 7,000 degree and certificate programs at the research universities, community colleges, medical schools, and colleges of technology that comprise its 64 campuses. Per Fall 2023 enrollment data, approximately 368,000 full- and part-time students are pursuing studies ranging from one-year certificate programs to doctorates.

Increase State Support for SUNY Campuses by \$100 Million

The Executive Budget provides \$100 million in new, recurring State support for SUNY State-operated campuses and statutory colleges. This increased funding includes:

- \$54 million for general operating support;
- \$36 million for university employee fringe benefits;
- \$2.75 million for the Empire State Service Corps, offering students community service work opportunities;
- \$2.5 million for the operating costs of SUNY's participation in the Empire AI consortium to spur artificial intelligence research and innovation;

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- \$2 million for SUNY’s role in the larger Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS) initiative;
- \$1.5 million for the State Weather Risk Communication Center at the University at Albany, providing real-time weather information for public-sector stakeholders; and
- \$1 million for micro-credential programs that educate teachers in the science of reading.

Advance Additional State Support to Help Cover Collective Bargaining Costs

The Executive Budget will provide SUNY with \$103 million in June 2024 to cover the lump-sum payments from the general salary increases of 2% effective in 2022 and 3% in 2023 under the recently ratified United University Professions contract, representing an advance on funding SUNY would otherwise receive in the following academic year.

Maintain the Community College Funding Floor

The Executive Budget will maintain a funding floor for community colleges at 100 percent of prior year funding. Without a funding floor, SUNY community colleges would face a \$83 million (20 percent) loss in formula aid due to enrollment declines.

Invest in SUNY Facilities

The Executive Budget provides \$1.2 billion in new appropriations and \$5.7 billion in reappropriations for SUNY capital projects. The new appropriations provide: \$650 million in new capital appropriations for State-operated campuses, \$138 million for community college projects, \$100 million for campus-funded projects, \$75 million for dormitory-related projects funded by dorm revenues, \$29 million for SUNY capital program administration, and \$210 million to support personal service and other costs associated with staff whose duties are related to maintenance, preservation, and operation of SUNY facilities.

**ALL FUNDS
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Category	Available FY 2024	Appropriations Recommended FY 2025	Change From FY 2024	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2025
State Operations	11,778,911,400	11,616,559,300	(162,352,100)	1,379,272,000
Aid To Localities	447,450,000	445,400,000	(2,050,000)	506,422,000
Capital Projects	1,881,068,000	1,201,586,000	(679,482,000)	5,663,946,000
Total	14,107,429,400	13,263,545,300	(843,884,100)	7,549,640,000

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

Program	FY 2024 Estimated FTEs 03/31/24	FY 2025 Estimated FTEs 03/31/25	FTE Change
All State University Colleges and Schools			
General Fund	3	3	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	25,612	25,612	0
Dormitory Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	2,216	2,216	0
General Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,912	1,912	0
Hospital Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	16,494	16,494	0
Long Island Veterans' Home Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	420	420	0
Tuition Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	197	197	0

Total	46,854	46,854	0
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**STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)**

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
General Fund	2,455,457,000	1,991,489,000	(463,968,000)
Internal Service Funds	24,300,000	24,300,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	442,850,000	443,400,000	550,000
Special Revenue Funds - Other	8,856,304,400	9,157,370,300	301,065,900
Total	11,778,911,400	11,616,559,300	(162,352,100)
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(52,238,000)		
Appropriated FY 2024	11,726,673,400		

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STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
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Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
All State University Colleges and Schools			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,922,663,800	1,922,663,800	0
Banking Services			
Internal Service Funds	24,300,000	24,300,000	0
Dormitory Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	343,400,000	343,400,000	0
Employee Fringe Benefits			
General Fund	1,955,457,000	1,991,489,000	36,032,000
General Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	837,800,000	837,800,000	0
Hospital Income Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4,125,755,100	4,424,300,000	298,544,900
Long Island Veterans' Home Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	56,745,000	60,380,000	3,635,000
SUNY Stabilization			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	0	15,000,000	15,000,000
State Match for Endowment Contributions			
General Fund	500,000,000	0	(500,000,000)
State University Colleges			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	169,320,500	169,320,500	0
State University Colleges of Technology and Agriculture			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	53,967,900	53,967,900	0
State University Doctoral and State University Health Science Campuses			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	470,906,200	470,906,200	0
State University Statutory and Contract Colleges			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	129,319,800	129,319,800	0
Student Aid			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	442,850,000	443,400,000	550,000
Student Loans			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	34,000,000	34,000,000	0
System Administration			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	375,770,300	355,404,300	(20,366,000)
Tuition Reimbursable			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	151,900,000	151,900,000	0
University-Wide Programs			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	184,755,800	189,007,800	4,252,000
Total	11,778,911,400	11,616,559,300	(162,352,100)

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STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2025 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Maintenance Undistributed	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Student Aid	443,400,000	550,000	443,400,000	550,000
Total	443,400,000	550,000	443,400,000	550,000

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

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
General Fund	447,450,000	445,400,000	(2,050,000)
Total	447,450,000	445,400,000	(2,050,000)

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

Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Community Colleges Operating Assistance			
General Fund	441,330,000	440,980,000	(350,000)
County Cooperative Extension Program - Cornell University			
General Fund	6,120,000	4,420,000	(1,700,000)
Total	447,450,000	445,400,000	(2,050,000)

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

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change	Reappropriations FY 2025
Senior Universities				
Facilities Maintenance and Operations				
Capital Projects Fund	203,695,000	209,588,000	5,893,000	0
General Maintenance and Improvements				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	1,562,000
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	1,470,000,000	650,000,000	(820,000,000)	4,507,909,000
State University Capital Projects Fund				
State University Capital Projects Fund	0	100,000,000	100,000,000	427,670,000
Project Administration				
Capital Projects Fund	26,353,000	28,785,000	2,432,000	0
State University Residence Hall Rehabilitation Fund				
State University Residence Hall Rehabilitation Fund	75,000,000	75,000,000	0	208,475,000
Subtotal	1,775,048,000	1,063,373,000	(711,675,000)	5,145,616,000
Community College				
General Maintenance and Improvements				
Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	24,509,000
Capital Projects Fund - SUNY Community Colleges (Author	106,020,000	138,213,000	32,193,000	493,821,000
Subtotal	106,020,000	138,213,000	32,193,000	518,330,000
Total	1,881,068,000	1,201,586,000	(679,482,000)	5,663,946,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/16/2024