



President's Update

Monday, November 6, 2017



To All Members of the Campus Community:

With the Governor signing the Budget Act of 2017, the California State University system received an ongoing General Fund appropriation increase of \$179.2 million in baseline funding for 2017-18, which includes an additional \$5.1 million increase for annual debt service costs for lease revenue bonds. The budget also includes \$118.9 million in gross tuition revenue resulting from a tuition increase effective in Fall 2017. This tuition increase was approved by the Board of Trustees in March 2017.

The budget supports a CSU system-wide resident enrollment increase of 2,487 FTES, mandatory costs (benefits and current contract compensation increases), student success and completion initiatives, State University Grants funding increases, and other system-wide priorities. For Sacramento State, our support includes a 1 percent resident enrollment growth of 240 full-time equivalent students (FTES) for a total of 23,077 FTES.

Because of changes in the enacted budget, along with the enrollment growth funding and a re-benching of the campus headcount due to average unit load (AUL) increases, the final budget looks very different from the University Budget Advisory Committee [recommendation](#). Our new state appropriation allocation totals \$156,939,837 (including \$1.1 million for Education Insights). Our revised projected student fee revenue (adding in \$1 million in miscellaneous financial aid) with the increased resident FTES and the re-benching of the headcount will provide \$161,860,000. When combining the state appropriation with the anticipated student fee revenue, the campus's projected sources of funds equal \$319,799,837.

We aligned our projected uses of funds (totaling \$319,799,837) with the projected sources to achieve a balanced budget for the new fiscal year. With this revised budget, divisions will not have to face reductions; some, such as Academic Affairs, will receive a baseline augmentation. The revised budget will enable units to further student success initiatives and combat existing funding shortfalls. Funding also was established for a university central baseline reserve to be used for campus priorities or emergency situations.

Some important elements of our budget include an increased allocation for State University Grants (SUG) of \$2,946,000 for our students, which brings our total SUG pool to \$46,783,700 for financial aid disbursements. We also have set aside \$1,000,000 for increases (the third year of three installments) for our faculty and staff. Permanent funding of \$500,000 was provided to Academic Affairs to be used to hire additional faculty to support student success initiatives as recommended by UBAC.

A summary of the University's final budget for the 2017-18 General Operating Fund is provided [here](#).

After careful review of the All University Expenses (AUE), I concur with UBAC's [recommendations](#). I would like to thank the members of UBAC for their diligence and dedication to the budget recommendations. It is an arduous and detailed process, and we are fortunate for their efforts. I look forward to our progress over the next year – and Stingers Up!

Sincerely,

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