

UW-Madison and the State Budget

The University of Wisconsin-Madison is requesting additional state funding, flexibilities and infrastructure investments in the 2021-2023 state budget. These investments are vital to maintain educational quality, recover from pandemic-related losses and to continue driving Wisconsin's economy forward.

UW-MADISON 2021-2023 BUDGET PRIORITIES

GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE INCREASE:

A GPR increase for UW System will help UW-Madison maintain educational quality and access as we recover from significant pandemic-related revenue losses and additional expenses tied to COVID-19. This investment can ensure that UW-Madison remains competitive among its Big Ten and national peers.

SHORT-TERM BORROWING AUTHORITY:

UW System Board of Regents would be granted authority to obtain extensions of credit for short-term borrowing of expenses associated with athletic, educational and related programs. Short-term, strategic borrowing — a flexibility most of our Big Ten peers already have — will provide a bridge to stabilize finances in uncertain times. Short-term borrowing would not be repaid with taxpayer funds (GPR).

MANAGE WORKING CAPITAL:

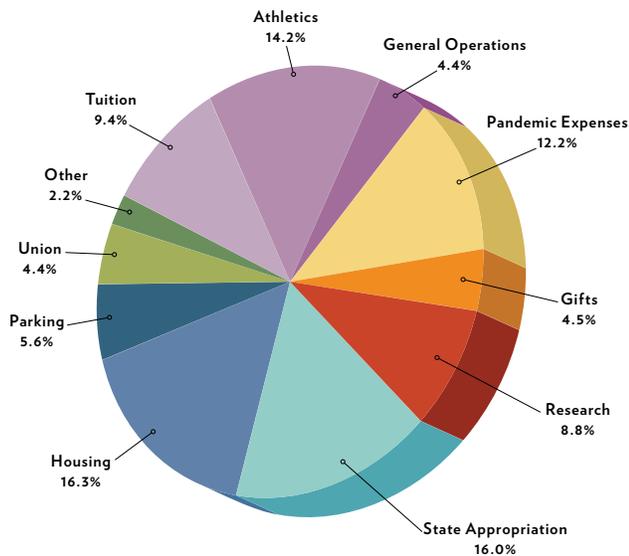
The proposal would expand UW-Madison's ability to invest a share of its working capital in intermediate-term investment funds. This is standard practice at peer institutions and would generate valuable revenue. Working with the State of Wisconsin Investment Board, this already successfully occurs with gift and grant funds.

ADDITIONAL BUDGET REQUESTS

- State Employee Compensation: Compensation increases for faculty and staff are needed to remain competitive amongst our peers. We support the proposed 2% increase across state government (including UW System employees) in each year of the biennium.
- Extension/CALS Positions: New positions for UW Extension and the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CAL S) will aid Wisconsin communities and advance applied agricultural research that benefits industry.
- Minnesota-Wisconsin Tuition Reciprocity Agreement: This proposal provides UW System the authority to negotiate Minnesota-WI Tuition Reciprocity agreement and allows tuition paid by MN students to stay within the UW System.

Pandemic revenue loss

Estimated loss through end of FY21: \$319M



Despite significant cost reduction measures, COVID-19 dealt an unprecedented financial blow to UW-Madison. Increased GPR will help maintain UW-Madison's quality and standing, while borrowing authority allows us to weather sudden financial shocks and recover more quickly.



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UW-Madison 2021-2023 Capital Budget Request

The UW System 2021-23 Capital Budget request is a critical reinvestment in Wisconsin's future and the educational experience of thousands of UW-Madison students. It addresses obsolete and aging structures, deferred maintenance and responds to the needs of the business and student community.

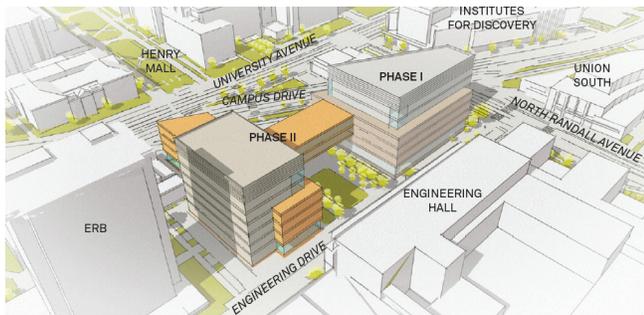
By making an investment in UW-Madison's capital building projects – including a new College of Engineering building and Letters & Science Academic building – the state is directly supporting Wisconsin's future workforce and the educational outcomes of thousands of students.

UW-MADISON CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECTS

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING BUILDING – PHASE 1:

The proposed new facility would increase space to accommodate an additional 1,000 undergraduates, 350 one-year professional master's degree students, and 50 doctoral students. It will also enable the college to recruit and retain top-tier faculty members, sustaining its excellence in research and graduate education.

Request: \$150 million (\$100 million GFSB, \$50 million gifts/grants)



Rendering of new College of Engineering Building

MUSIC HALL RESTORATION:

Restoration would address long-standing health and safety issues in this 130-year-old building. Issues include deteriorating stone veneer, water damage and degrading interior walls.

Request: \$26.4 million GFSB

ALL AGENCY:

Funding for the All Agency program is critical to address smaller maintenance projects on UW System campuses.

Request: \$150 million across UW System

LETTERS & SCIENCE ACADEMIC BUILDING:

The current Humanities building is in poor condition and facing \$70+ million in deferred maintenance costs. In addition, its inherent design flaws and inadequacies can no longer effectively support student or campus needs. The new L&S Academic Building is a reinvestment in the foundation of UW's educational experience, supporting increases in undergraduate STEM enrollment, enhanced student engagement, and improved student outcomes that help build Wisconsin's workforce.

Request: \$88.4 million (\$65.4 million GFSB, \$23 million gifts/grants)

ENGINEERING DRIVE UTILITIES:

Many of these utilities are approaching the end of their expected service life. Completion of this project will decrease operating costs through improved efficiency, while offering redundancy and support for campus facilities north of University Avenue.

Request: \$73.1 million total (\$50.5 million GFSB, \$22.6 million PRSB)

MINOR FACILITIES RENEWAL PROJECTS PROGRAM:

This program is used for maintenance projects that fall outside the size and budget of the All Agency program. Projects include updating and renovating fire alarm and suppression systems in multiple buildings at UW-Madison, as well as exterior repair to the Armory & Gymnasium ("Red Gym").

Request: \$33.7 million total (\$33.1 million GFSB, \$0.6 million PRSB)



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