

2011-12 Enacted Higher Education Budget

SUNY

SUNY State-Operated Campuses

- The Legislature accepts the Executive Budget cut of \$100 million (\$0 restored).

SUNY Hospitals

- The Legislature restores \$60 million and provides the authority for the hospitals to amortize their ERS pension payments for a savings of \$26 million.
- The Legislature agrees to add \$135 million in appropriation authority for SUNY Upstate Medical University for the acquisition of Community General Hospital in Syracuse.

Educational Opportunity Centers

- Authority is granted to transfer some of the existing funds to the ATTAIN Labs.

SUNY LI Veterans Home

- The Legislature restores \$3.8 million.

SUNY Community Colleges

- The Legislature restores \$13 million which equates to a 39.5% restoration.

SUNY Child Care Centers

- The Legislature restores \$653,000.

SUNY Educational Opportunity Program

- Funding for this program is maintained at last year's level.

SUNY Capital Plan

- The Legislature provides approximately \$800,000 in additional capital funding to SUNY above the Executive Budget level. This increase will be provided to Jamestown community college for the restoration of Carnahan Hall and for land acquisition.

CUNY

CUNY Senior Colleges

- The Legislature accepts the Executive Budget cut of \$91.5 million (\$0 restored).
- Authority is not provided to CUNY to enable them to expend over \$40 million in tuition revenue already collected from students pursuant to a 2011 spring semester 5 % tuition increase.

CUNY Community Colleges

- The Legislature restores \$5.2 million which equates to a 39.5% restoration.

CUNY Child Care Centers

- The Legislature restores \$544,000.

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- Funding for this program is maintained at last year's level.

CUNY Capital Plan

- The Legislature accepts the Executive Budget full funding of the last year of CUNY's five-year capital plan.

TAP

- The Legislature provides \$3.3 million on a state fiscal year (SFY) basis or \$9.2 million on an academic year basis (AY) for awards for students attending religious institutions ("Rabbinical TAP").
- Also, see Article VII section.

BUNDY Aid

- The Legislature accepts the Executive Budget cut of \$3.9 million (\$0 restored).

NYHELPS

- The Legislature cuts \$7.5 million to this program.

Article VII Agreements

- The Legislature rejected the Executive Budget SUNY/CUNY management flexibility proposals but agrees to:
 - Provide procurement flexibility for goods, construction contracts and construction-related services, printing contracts without prior approval from the Comptroller and Attorney General.
 - Authorize the SUNY and CUNY Construction Funds to execute contracts without prior approval from the Comptroller or Attorney General.
 - Authorize SUNY to accept conditional gifts of real and personal property.
- The Legislature agrees to authorize SUNY Downstate to enter into a long-term lease with a not-for-profit corporation for the use of the facilities to be acquired from Long Island College Hospital.
- The Legislature authorizes SUNY Upstate Medical University to acquire Community General Hospital (appropriation authority and pension language accepted).
- The Legislature accepts the following Executive Budget TAP proposals:
 - Elimination of awards for graduate students.
 - Elimination of awards for students who are in default on federal loans until such default is cleared up.

- Creating parity between public and private pensions in award calculations.
 - Reducing awards for financially independent students who are married without children.
 - Reducing the maximum award to \$4,000 for students enrolled in two-year institutions however, public community college students are exempted.
 - Increased academic standards and credit minimums for non-remedial students. The definition of non-remedial student is modified.
- The Legislature agrees to extend the following scholarship programs until 2016: the Regents Scholarship Program, the Social Worker Loan Forgiveness Program, the Patricia McGee Nursing Faculty Scholarship and Nursing Loan Forgiveness Program.
 - The Legislature agrees to extend the Higher Education Capital Matching Grants Program until March 31, 2012.