

# INVEST IN SUNY

*Public Higher Education  
is a Wise Investment*



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**United University Professions**

The Nation's Largest Higher Education Union

# BUDGET PRIORITIES

## Invest in More Full-time Academic and Professional Faculty

- Set a target of at least 70 percent full-time academic faculty at each campus.
- Provide funding for more professional faculty to ensure high-quality service to students and patients.
- Ensure that our excellent part-time faculty has the opportunity for full-time employment and guarantee our students the smaller classes, better services, and faculty advising and mentoring they need.

## Invest in Campus Needs to Safeguard Access and Quality

- Fully fund enrollment growth at state-operated campuses.
- Invest in the Technology Sector Colleges as they transition to four-year status.
- Fully fund the SUNY Librarians Association's acquisitions proposal as part of a Universitywide, multiyear infrastructure funding strategy.
- Fully fund the SUNY Opportunity Programs.

## Invest in SUNY Health Science Centers

- Increase support to the SUNY Health Science Centers that provide health care education, biomedical research and public health services.
- Devise a long-term solution to the state-imposed fiscal crisis at the teaching hospitals that protects programs, jobs and the hospitals' vital public health mission.

## Solve the Remaining Fiscal Uncertainties at NYSTI

- Return all UUP members at the New York State Theatre Institute to 12-month status and provide the Institute with adequate staff.

# LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## Support Equity for UUP Members and Retirees

- Provide unemployment insurance for part-timers.
- Pension Equity: Pay for the employee contribution to the optional retirement program (ORP) after 10 years of membership or military service recognition.
- Pass the Fair Pay Bill.
- Support legislation that prohibits public employers from diminishing health insurance benefits to SUNY retirees.

## Restore Public Employee Rights

- Support sovereign immunity legislation that restores the civil and human rights of public employees lost in recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

## Reform Public University Trustee Selection Process

- Appoint trustees to SUNY and CUNY who advocate for public higher education.