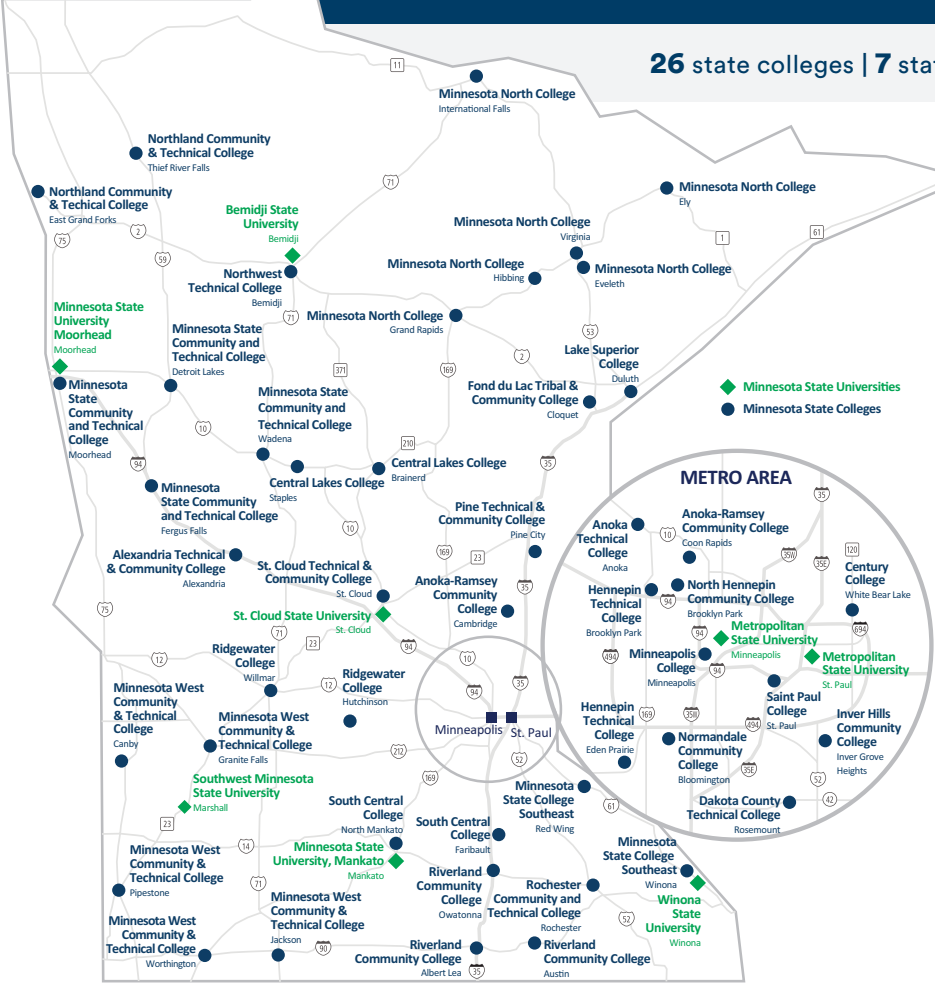




26 state colleges | 7 state universities | 54 campuses | 47 communities



fourth largest

system of colleges and universities in the United States



270,000

students attend our colleges and universities each year



34,000+

degrees, certificates, and diplomas awarded each year



14,265

faculty and staff



4,112

academic programs to choose from



9,600

customized training, occupational, and professional classes

\$465 million

 in new funding over the biennium

STUDENT SUPPORT

Helping Minnesota State students succeed

\$40 MILLION to directly support students' critical needs

- » **\$32.5 Million: Expand student support services**
 - › Funding provided directly to campuses for staffing to connect students to essential resources like basic needs support, Mantra Health mental health resources, and other campus-based student resources
- » **\$5.5 Million: Emergency grants**
 - › Funding for student emergency grants is essential as students fit their educational goals within the broader complexities of their lives. This request would add \$2.75 million per year to the \$2.25 million per year currently available through the Office of Higher Education to address unforeseen student needs
- » **\$2 Million: Textbooks**
 - › This initiative would continue current funding levels for the development of additional free course materials to make total costs for students more affordable

WORKFORCE-FOCUSED SUPPORT

The bridge between education and employment is vital to the state

\$40 MILLION to address the growth and advancement of Minnesota's workforce

- » **\$13.5 Million: Upgrade college and university equipment and learning environments**
 - › Continue the work of enhancing state-of-the-art equipment and learning environments for high-cost, high-need workforce programs
- » **\$4.5 Million: Increase workforce development scholarships**
 - › Expand the Workforce Development Scholarship programs, which would increase the base by \$2.25 million (50 percent) per year and broaden the types of programs for which the scholarships can be used
- » **\$8.5 Million: Support high cost and high demand programs**
 - › Support the maintenance of high-cost and high-demand career and technical, baccalaureate, and graduate programs
- » **\$13.5 Million: Develop and expand industry sector programming**
 - › Continue the work of developing and expanding industry sector programming to build capacity and support new and redesigned curricular options with an emphasis on offering students work-based learning experiences

STUDENT AFFORDABILITY AND SYSTEM OPERATIONS

Colleges and universities rely on state appropriation to cover a significant portion of their general fund operating budgets

\$285 MILLION to maintain academic programs and keep tuition affordable

- » This request would provide stable state funding to campuses to allow for an overall 5 percent increase in costs each year
- » The funding would move the system closer to the statutory goal of 67 percent of funding coming from the state and 33 percent of funding coming from students through tuition
- » Focused tuition flexibility would be provided if this request is fully funded

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

The ability for colleges and universities to serve students is at risk because of infrastructure needs

\$100 MILLION in one-time funding to address the most urgent needs in critical infrastructure

- » **\$50 Million: Asset preservation**
 - › Critical building components have deteriorated faster than the limited funding made available through the HEAPR program. The funding would be allocated towards roofs, HVAC and other health, life and safety systems that protect our students and strengthen communities.
- » **\$25 Million: Building demolition and site repurposing**
 - › Buildings that can no longer be used are a hazard that drain resources and deter recruiting. Building demolition is not a cost that can be supported with state bond proceeds. Funds would reduce operation and maintenance costs and create safe green space to better connect students and community to the campus.
- » **\$25 Million: Development of the new Workday student planning system**
 - › The Workday student system, part of the broader NextGen Enterprise Resource Planning system, will manage student enrollment, finances, and work services while streamlining administrative processes system-wide. This student planning system will be significantly more intuitive and user-friendly than what is available to students currently, providing them with a fully integrated, online digital experience.