## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

FY 2016-2017 University Budget Request

RESOLVED, Subject to the availability of resources, CUNY seeks an additional \$167.0 million for the University. This total includes \$124.1 million for the senior colleges and \$42.9 million for the community colleges. At the senior colleges, \$43.8 million is for baseline needs and \$80.3 million is for strategic investments. At the community colleges, \$6.6 million is for baseline needs and \$36.3 million is for the investment plan.

2015-2016 appropriation levels of \$2.336 billion for the senior colleges and \$898.3 million for the community colleges and allocation to the various units of the university thereof reflect, per the authority vested in the Chancellery by the Board of Trustees, all budget adjustments reflected in the FY2015-2016 state enacted appropriation for the university.

EXPLANATION: With the 2016-2017 Budget Request, the University enhances its capacity to carry out its mission of access and opportunity for New Yorkers and its commitment to meet the economic and educational needs of New York State and New York City. CUNY's strategic priorities align with those of the state and city and include performance improvement initiatives that will speed student progress toward degree attainment, improve access and retention, provide experiential learning opportunities that prepare students for the workforce and boost civic engagement and community service, and assist students in achieving post graduate success whether that is transferring to advanced degree programs or beginning their career paths.

State and City financing of fixed mandatory needs, such as contractually required incremental salary increases, and fringe benefit, energy and building rental cost increases, will allow existing funding to remain in programmatic areas so that the University can continue to provide high quality services in support of its statutory mission and its commitment to all New Yorkers.