

# 2020 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The University of Washington and UW Medicine greatly appreciate the historic investments that the Legislature made in 2019 through the biennial operating and capital budgets and the Workforce Education Investment Act. This new funding furthers our shared goals to promote an excellent education for all Washington students, a prosperous economy, and the health and sustainability of our state.

Mindful of the continuing budget challenges facing the state of Washington, we limited our supplemental budget requests to items we consider the most practical and essential.

## OPERATING BUDGET REQUESTS

### **\$3.8M in Maintenance and Operations (M&O) funding for the Hans Rosling Center for Population Health**

Scheduled to open in fall 2020, this new state building will be an innovative convening space where students, faculty and trainees from a wide range of disciplines can conduct research, develop solutions and prepare for careers to advance population health locally and globally. This facility was funded by state dollars and a generous donation from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The requested amount fills the remaining gap needed to maintain this important public asset.

### **Reappropriation of conditional wage increases at the UW**

The state's 2019–21 operating budget provided \$7.4 million over the biennium, contingent on the UW providing the remaining funds, to support an additional 1% salary increase for all represented UW employees in each year. Due to the limited availability of assumed incremental tuition and other revenue sources, these increases were not financially feasible for the University, and the funding was returned to the state. The UW has signed memoranda of understanding with three eligible collective bargaining units (WFSE, SEIU 925, SEIU 1199 R-HH) requesting the \$7.4 million be reallocated in FY21 to provide one-time payments to lower-wage employees.

### **\$725K for increased caseload at the UW Division of the State Attorney General's Office**

In conjunction with the state AGO, the UW is requesting funding to cover increased billing authority for three additional FTE Assistant Attorney General positions within the UW Division, and one FTE Legal Assistant Supervisor. These positions are needed to handle an increase in workload due to the UW's growth in size and complexity across its three campuses and at UW Medicine.

### **Reauthorization of the Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation**

JCATI supports economic development and job creation in our state's aerospace industry through collaborative research between business and academic partners. The UW and other public higher education institutions receive state funds, which leverage private dollars, to conduct research projects that address aerospace industry challenges and further workforce development. This funding will sunset June 30, 2020, without reauthorizing legislation.

## CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST

### **\$1M in pre-design funding for Phase 2 of the Magnuson Health Sciences Center replacement/renovation**

Originally constructed in 1973, the Magnuson Health Sciences Center currently operates well beyond capacity, with mostly original infrastructure and an inflexible learning environment. In 2019, the Legislature funded construction of a new health sciences education building. This pre-design funding allows the UW to plan for the replacement and redesign of the remaining health sciences complex in order to further increase and modernize our health sciences workforce training capacity.



# UW FAST FACTS

## A NATIONAL LEADER IN AFFORDABILITY + ACCESS

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The UW's 2019-20 tuition and fees for resident undergraduates is \$11,465 — lower than the mean and median of our peers in U.S. News & World Report's Top 25 Public Research Universities



In 2019-20, over **32%** of all first-year domestic UW students are the first generation in their families to attain a bachelor's degree

60%

of UW undergraduate students graduate with no known debt, and those who borrow graduate with less debt than the national average



In 2019-20, the UW is awarding more than **\$102 million** in institutional grants and scholarships to Washington residents

## ECONOMIC IMPACT

**\$15.7B+**

in total economic impact generated by the UW in the state of Washington

**\$752.7M**

in tax revenue to state and local governments (including sales, property and business taxes) generated from UW-related activities

The UW is one of the five largest employers in Washington state, supporting

**100,520**

direct and indirect jobs

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE STATE

**73%**

of undergraduate students are residents of Washington state (Fall 2019)

### FALL 2019 TOTAL ENROLLMENT

	SEATTLE	BOTHELL	TACOMA	ALL UW
UNDERGRAD	32,570	5,364	4,610	42,544
GRAD./PROF.	15,533	572	742	16,847
TOTAL	48,103	5,936	5,352	59,391

**7,987**

undergraduate students across the three UW campuses transferred from the WA community college system (Fall 2019)

**All 39**

counties in Washington state are represented by students at the UW

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