Impacts of the Governor’s 2009-11 Budget Proposal on Higher Education

**Across the Board Reduction - State Funds** reflects the Governor’s general budget reduction, Governor directed freeze, and Governor directed 1% cut as a % of the near general fund state maintenance level budget.

**Net Across the Board Reduction After Tuition** reflects the Governor’s general budget reduction, Governor directed freeze, and Governor directed 1% cut plus the increase in tuition included in the Governor’s budget as a % of the near general fund state maintenance level budget.

**Net Budget Reduction (State + Tuition)** reflects the % net reduction to near general fund state and tuition from the state and tuition maintenance level. State Funds includes General Fund-State, Education Legacy and Pension Stabilization Accounts.

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**Impacts Across Higher Education Institutions**

- **University of Washington**: -12.9%
- **Washington State University**: -6.4%
- **Central Washington University**: -6.1%
- **Eastern Washington University**: -3.3%
- **The Evergreen State College**: -3.3%
- **Western Washington University**: -3.3%
- **Baccalaureate Institution Total**: -6.2%
- **State Board for Community and Technical Colleges**: -4.2%
- **All Higher Education Institutions Total**: -5.3%
There are multiple ways to assess the impact of the Governor’s budget on Higher Education and most of them show a reduction in funding to higher education.

The Governor’s budget includes across-the-board reductions of 13.3 percent for the four-year institutions and 6.4 percent for the community and technical colleges. Evergreen, WWU, and UW all receive relatively high across-the-board reductions -- ranging from 13.9 percent to 14.6 percent.

Assumed tuition increases (7 percent for four-year institutions and 5 percent for community and technical colleges) mitigate the impact of the Governor’s across-the-board reductions -- resulting in net reductions of 4-6 percent.

When tuition, state funds and mandatory policy initiatives such as employee health benefits are combined with across-the-board reductions, the four-year institutions receive a net reduction of 3.1% from the Governor’s maintenance level budget.

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