# STRATEGIC OVERVIEW: UB'S ANNUAL RESOURCE PLANNING PROCESS 2018-19

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## **University Strategic Goals**

- Build faculty strength, productivity and impact
- Recruit great students and fulfill their educational expectations
- Provide support structures ensuring faculty and student success
- Create a diverse campus community
- Become an increasingly global university
- Engage our local community to enrich student experience and regional well-being
- Strengthen partnerships for improved regional healthcare outcomes

# Aligning Budget with Goals: Resource Planning Process

- Annual process provides opportunity to gain shared understanding of units' positions/needs and ability to make strategic investments
- Process is designed to be strategic, predictable, flexible/responsive, integrated across university, and to promote resilience and award effectiveness
- Provides UB with an opportunity to evaluate all sources and uses in three-year cycles and establish an investment pool
- All units develop three-year budget plans and submit proposals for investments from central resources
- University determines how to invest based on alignment with goals, impact, and emerging and critical needs/opportunities

## Sample Previous UB Investments to Accomplish Goals

#### **RESEARCH/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

- Communities of Excellence and UB RENEW
- Clinical and Translational Research Center
- Creative Arts Initiative
- Centers of Excellence CBLS, BIG, CMI

#### **EDUCATION/EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT**

- UB Curriculum
- Finish in 4
- Interprofessional Education
- Experiential Learning ELN, CURCA, LaunchPad, Study Abroad, etc.
- Interdisciplinary degree programs
- Center for Educational Innovation

#### INFRASTRUCTURE

- Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences building
- South Campus renovations (Hayes Hall, Squire Hall, Parker Hall, Kapoor Hall, etc)
- Heart of the Campus
- Classroom and research lab rehabs and IT infrastructure enhancements

#### **OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS**

- Marketing/Branding
- Center for Inclusive Excellence
- UPlan Budget System software
- Data Analytics

## **Common Unit Identified Potential Risks & Contingencies** From 2018-19 ARPP

#### MONETARY

- Unfunded negotiated salary increases
- Student recruitment challenges
  - Declining graduate & professional applications/shifting enrollment patterns
  - International tensions
  - Growing health & wellness needs
- Excelsior & TAP tuition gaps

#### HUMAN

- Faculty & staff challenges
  - Skills gaps among current staff
  - Low labor market supply of skilled trades
  - Young/new hires require more training
  - Competitive recruitment/compensation

- Higher education policy & impact
- Outdated technology challenges
- Space concerns
  - Space needs for students, faculty & staff (including parking)
  - Declining infrastructure & outdated research spaces

### REPUTATIONAL

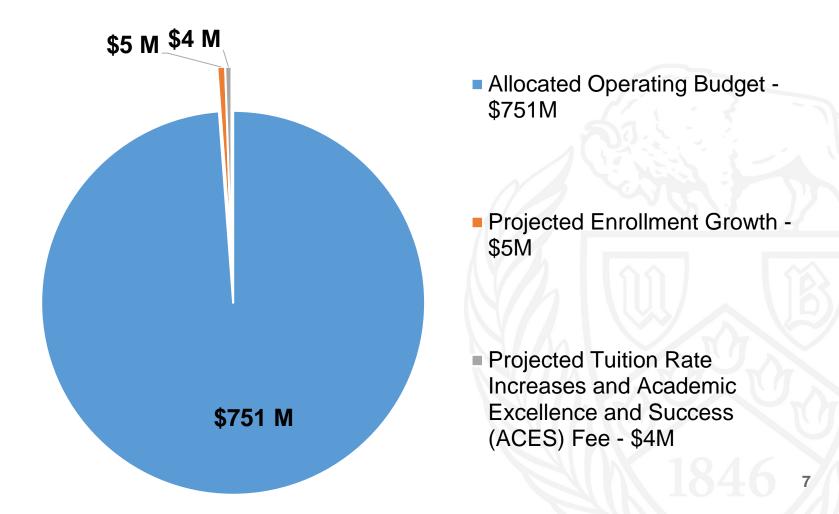
- Diminished status
  - o Potential declines in ranking
  - Increased scrutiny of higher education regulations

# TOTAL UNIVERSITY OPERATING BUDGET 2018-19

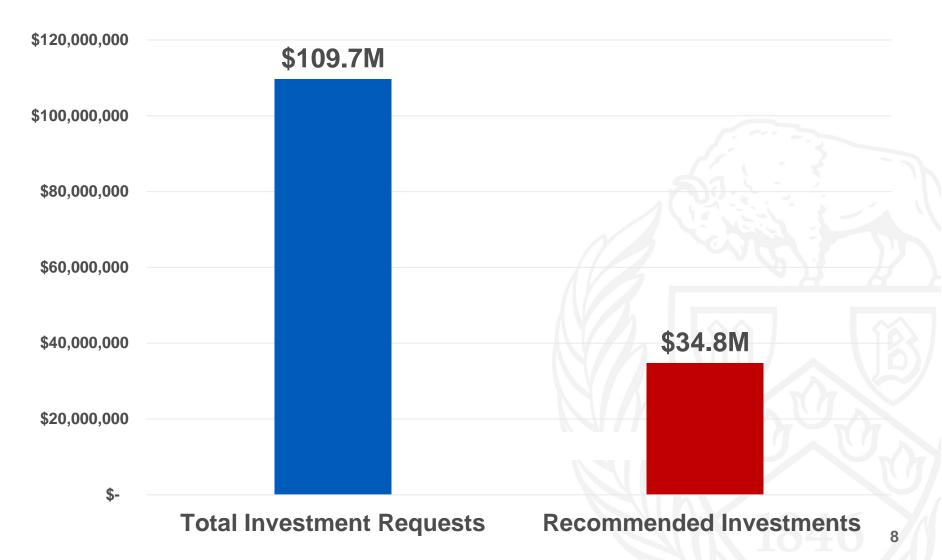
INVESTMENT DECISIONS 2018-21



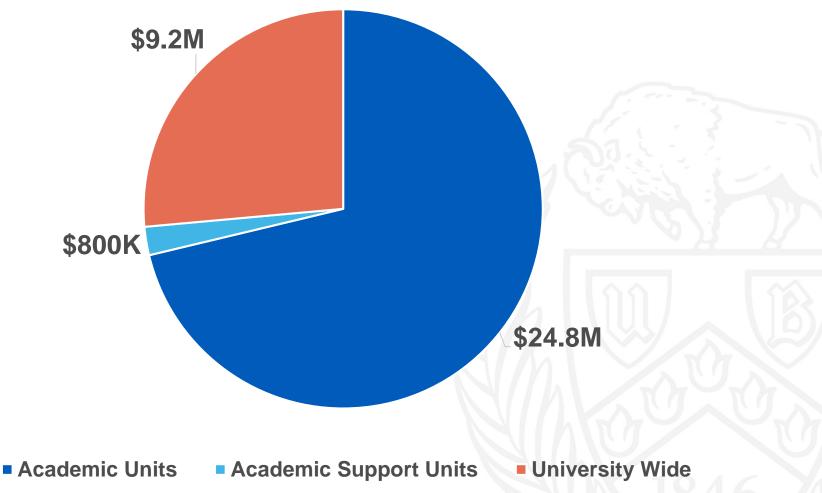
## Total University Operating Budget 2018-19 All Funds **\$760M**



## **Operating Investment Requests and Decisions (2018-21)**



## Operating Investment Decisions (2018-21) Total \$34.8M



Note: Enrollment Growth Agreements are \$8.3M of the academic investment decisions

## Total University Capital Budget (\$ in M)

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	2017	2018	2019*	2020*	2021*
CM - Restricted to Existing Facilities	\$17.7	\$41.4	\$17.7	\$17.7	\$17.7
Allocation to Campus – Not Restricted	\$11.5	-	C		
High Priority CM Lump Target**	\$16.2	\$14.0	\$37.7	\$37.7	\$37.7
Total Potential	\$45.4	\$55.4	\$55.4	\$55.4	\$55.4

\* Future Budget Years are a 5 Year Plan requiring NYS Legislative approval.

\*\* High Priority CM Lump is allocated by project at the discretion of State University Construction Fund

No VPFA Efficiency savings for investments in the 2018/19 cycle; more funding within Capital Budget for those projects

CM – Critical Maintenance Funding

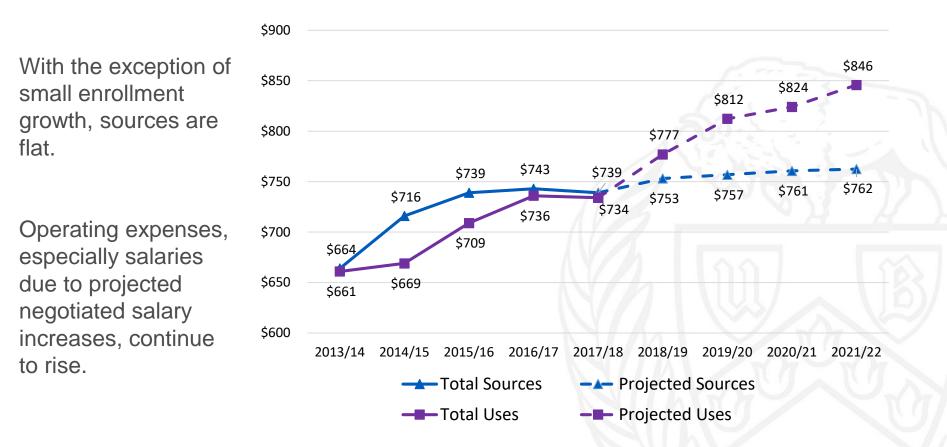
# LOOKING FORWARD:

# UNIT REPORTED CARRY FORWARD USAGE

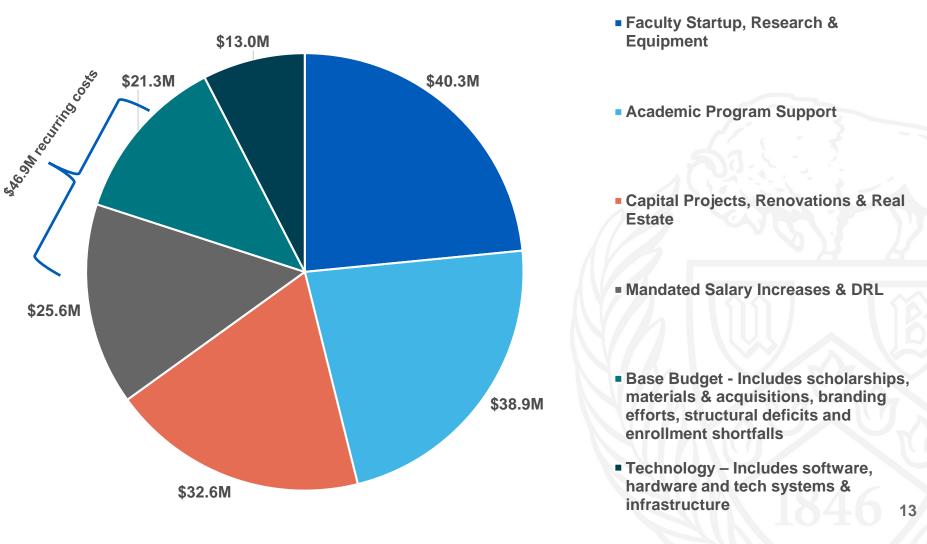
# MULTI-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN



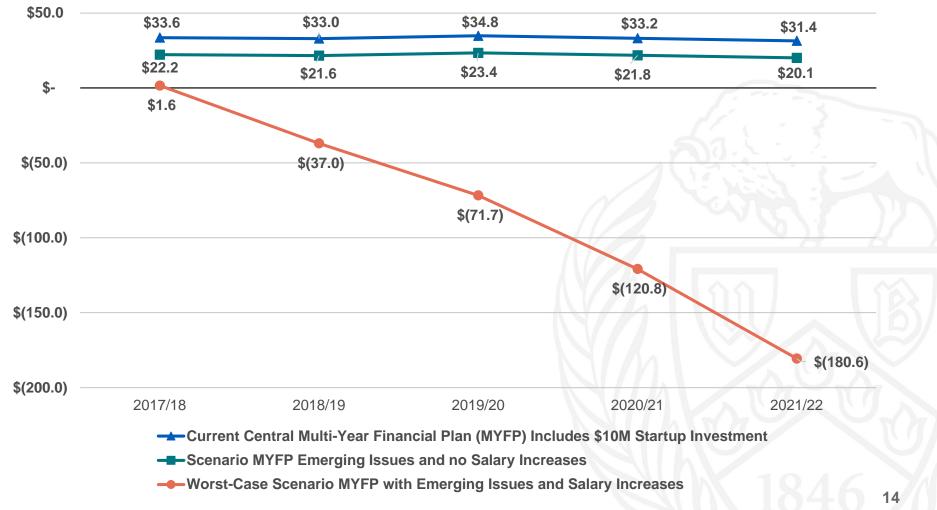
## Financial Capacity Operating Sources and Uses 2013-22 (\$ in M)



## Unit Reported Carry Forward Usage 2017-21 Total \$171.7M



## Current/Worst-Case Scenario Central Multi-Year Financial Plan 2017-22 (\$ in M)



Note: Central budget account balances do not include \$40 million in reserve funding

## **Summary of Financial Capacity**

- Like most public research universities, we continue to experience declining/flat state support and are increasingly dependent upon tuition revenue
- Most of our resources are in existing base budgets thinking about how we deploy these resources is increasingly important
- Units are using carry forward for recurring expenses and additional recurring expenses are forthcoming (e.g., unfunded salary increases)
- Units and central do not have the capacity to incur recurring or unfunded costs in the future
- Addressing issue requires:
  - Aligning recurring revenues and expenditures
  - Using workforce and enrollment planning to better align sources and uses
  - Increasing revenue and/or reducing costs
  - Restructuring/reorganizing within units

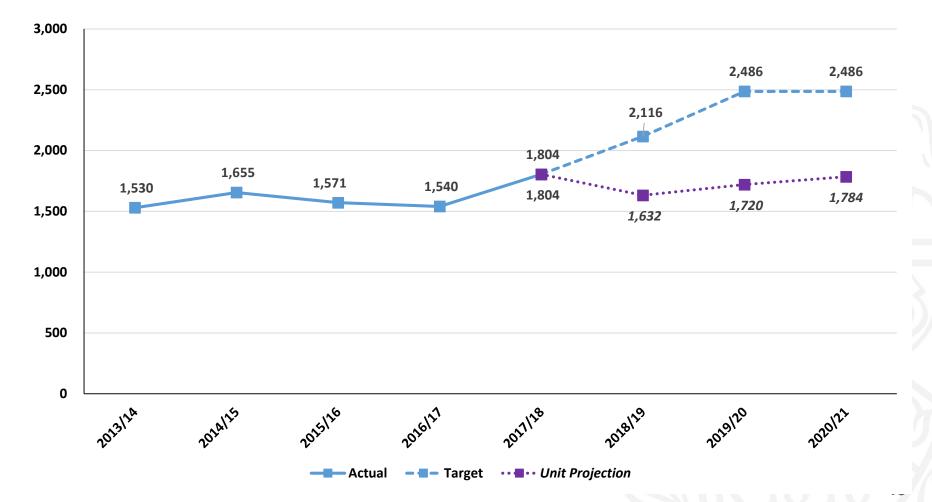
# **OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND/OR SAVINGS**

## Enhance/Innovate Academic Programs

- Grow master's and professional degree programs
- Increase dual degree programs
- Online programs
- Alternative credentialing
- New interdisciplinary programs
- Assess existing programs to explore ways of making more effective/efficient
- Increase number of transfer students
- Institutional Support:
  - Center for Educational Innovation
  - Educational Collaborations and Educational Entrepreneurship groups
  - SUNY Performance Investment Fund

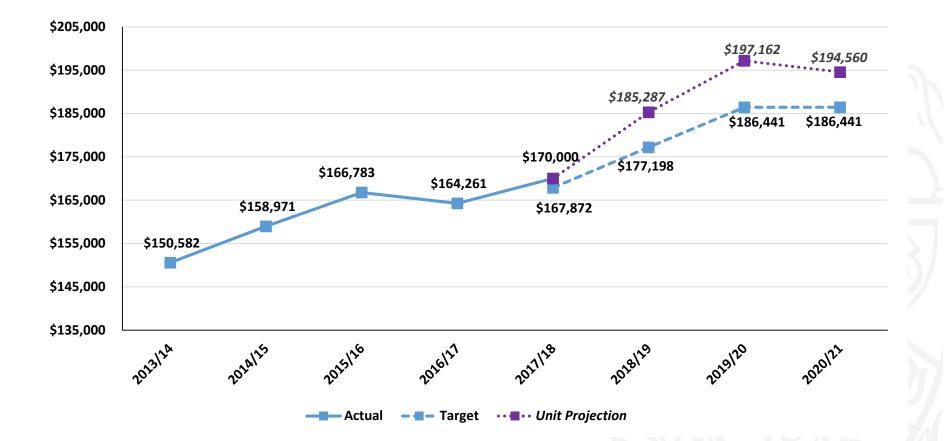


## Research Proposals 2013 – 2021



Source: Actual & Target from VPRED, Unit Projections from ARPP 18/19 submissions

## Research Expenditures (\$ in K) 2013–2021



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## **Operational Excellence: Current Initiatives**

- **U Plan** Fully integrated, all-funds budgeting, planning and forecasting system
- Integrated Security Systems Fully integrated and coordinated security systems across the university that support enterprise risk management and customer service objectives
- Employee Recruitment Processes Recruit, develop and retain diverse faculty and staff and improve customer service and effectiveness
- Collaborative/ Consortium Purchases and Systems – Enhance coordination and efficiencies in purchasing and managing major services including marketing and enterprise systems/software
- Strategic Procurement/ eTravel Align professional development and workforce planning goals with new systems/business processes



# Philanthropy

- Extends impact of other resources
- Vital for UB and units to achieve aspirations
- Top UB priority

### BOLDLY BUFFALO: THE CAMPAIGN FOR UB

- **\$650M** campaign launched in April
- Largest in UB and SUNY history
- Currently at ~70% of goal
- ~61,000 donors have made 160,000 gifts – including more than 100 \$1M+ gifts.
- Comprehensive includes all academic units, which have set goals and priorities
- Broadly engaging internal and external partners in effort



## **Looking Ahead**

- Because of planning efforts, we are currently financially strong
- Efficiencies and growth are already being gained, but we must become more efficient
- Budget issues affect some schools more than others
- Could change who, what and how we teach, which may lead to increasing teaching faculty
- Faculty perspective and creativity are critical to UB's continued strength and impact



# **APPENDIX**



# **Selected Exciting Things from Unit Presentations**

### ACADEMIC

- **SAP** is enhancing educational opportunities and advancing school priorities by aligning "**learn-by-doing**" approach to education with donor-funded regional initiatives
- In collaboration with 4 other schools and Athletics, Law is developing UB Center for the Advancement of Sport to build on UB and regional strengths and to develop unique interdisciplinary degree programs
- SSW and SOM increased educational opportunities and community impact while sharing staff and operations, and leveraging donations for Social Innovation initiative (fellows, courses, study abroad)
- **CAS** is enhancing program quality and making TA stipends more competitive by restructuring stipends and reducing number of PhDs (e.g., English Dept.)
- **SDM, SPPS,** and **SON** are increasing operational efficiencies and improving educational outcomes by sharing some services
- University Libraries is leading SUNY-wide initiative to purchase and implement shared next-generation library services platform to enable collaboration across SUNY libraries and more efficient operations.

# **Selected Exciting Things from Unit Presentations**

#### ACADEMIC SUPPORT/UNIVERSITY WIDE:

- Educational Affairs, Student Life, International Education, Enrollment Management, and Finance and Administration are offering consolidated and improved student services through 1Capen and 1Diefendorf
- VPRED is increasing faculty grants and encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration through Blue Sky, a new seed funding approach that rewards proposal submissions and requires faculty partnerships
- Educational Affairs is partnering with Information Technology on a university micro-credentialing initiative
- As part of larger restructuring effort, Student Life aligned and consolidated campus health and wellness offices, increasing capacity for counseling and enhancing program delivery and efficiency
- Athletics discontinued 4 sports programs, better aligning UB with MAC peers and enabling UB to focus on continuing to build excellence in remaining 16 programs

# Sampling of New and Emerging Educational Programs

### **UNDERGRADUATE:**

- Neuroscience (JSMBS, CAS)
- Statistics, Public Health, Athletic Training (SPHHP)
- Law (Law, CAS)
- Information and Technology Management (SOM)

### **GRADUATE:**

- EdD in Learning and Instruction (GSE)
- DSW in Social Welfare (SSW)
- MS in Engineering Sciences with tracts in Data Sciences, Internet of Things, Nanoelectronics, Green Energy, and Engineering Management (SEAS)
- MS in Pharmacometrics and Precision Medicine (SPPS)
- MA in Sustainability (CAS)
- PhD in Engineering Education (SEAS)

### **DUAL DEGREE:**

- UB Teach 3+2 (CAS, GSE)
- Law 3+3 (CAS, Law)

# New University Operating Investments 2018-21

### FACULTY STRENGTH/ RESEARCH

- Research administration
  infrastructure
- Core research facilities in Dental
- Faculty recruitment & retention fund
- Hiring initiative in Biological Sciences, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Oral Biology, and Social Work

# EDUCATION/ EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

- BlackBoard Cloud version
- UB Curriculum ePortfolio capstone instruction
- Extend EOP Summer Bridge program
- Centralize academic support services (tutoring)

### **ENROLLMENT GROWTH**

- GSE strategic recruitment & marketing
- Campus-wide CRM/SLATE
- Continued support of enrollment growth in SAP, SSW, SPHHP & SEAS

### **UNIVERSITY-WIDE OPERATIONS**

- Brand & marketing strategy maturation
- UPlan Budget System Software maintenance
- University web accessibility
- Campaign public phase expenses & UB Gift Officer training
- Bridge funding for academic units