2016–17
Biennial Budget Request
Reforming how we fund higher education, research, and innovation

**Access and Affordability**

**FY16: $21.5 million**  
**FY17: $43.7 million**  
**Biennial total: $65.2 million**

- Freeze for two years the Minnesota resident tuition rate for all undergraduate, graduate, and professional students on all U of M campuses - approximately 53,000 students.
- The freeze will reduce the average cost of a degree.  
  - For undergraduate students by $2,100-2,600 over four years.  
  - For graduate students by $1,600 over two years.  
  - For medical students by $5,000 over four years.

**Facility Condition Improvement Strategy**

**FY16: $5 million**  
**FY17: $10 million**  
**Biennial total: $15.0 million**

- Reduce the cost of facility repair and renewal by providing stable funding that allows critical projects to be addressed more efficiently.
- The U of M will decrease its HEAPR capital request in exchange for this General Fund allocation.

**Healthy Minnesota and the Medical School**

**FY16: $12.5 million**  
**FY17: $43 million**  
**Biennial total: $55.5 million**

- Address current and projected future workforce shortages by training the next generation of health care professionals to serve our aging and increasingly diverse population.
- Strengthen U of M research in cancer, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, obesity, and arthritis.
- Create a Minnesota Electronic Health Library with resources for all Minnesotans.

**Vibrant Communities**

**FY16: $3.5 million**  
**FY17: $9.0 million**  
**Biennial total: $12.5 million**

- Improve the environmental, health, and safety impacts of mining in Minnesota, and examine economic development opportunities and challenges related to mining in northern Minnesota.
- Promote the economic prosperity and integrated lives of Minnesota’s diverse communities through research and partnership.
- Expand service learning and community engagement for students.
The University’s Commitment to Cutting Costs

Reforming our practices to better serve our mission

Reducing administrative costs has been a top priority for U of M president Eric Kaler.

- The U of M is on track to reduce administrative costs by $90 million by FY19.
- $36 million in administrative costs have already been eliminated.
- In FY16-17, President Kaler is committed to reducing administrative costs by $30 million.
- These savings, in addition to state revenue and other revenue increases, will be used to
  - Freeze resident tuition rates.
  - Increase four-year graduation rates.
  - Strengthen research, innovation, and service throughout Minnesota.
  - Support competitive salary and wage increases to recruit and retain top faculty and staff.
  - Address infrastructure cost increases critical to maintaining excellence in teaching and research.

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Dollars are in millions

By 2017 the U of M’s request would get the institution back to slightly above the level the state provided in 2008, without adjusting for inflation.