Winona State University (WSU) ensures an exceptional education in a beautiful residential campus environment at an affordable cost. WSU is nationally recognized for innovative integration of technologies in teaching and learning. Regional partners in education, business, and the health industry value WSU’s responsiveness to their needs.

What’s At Stake?

A fully funded request will:
- Continue our commitment and investments in high-demand professions such as nursing, teacher education, and business.
- Bolster investments in serving the expanding higher education market in the Rochester area.

Not fully funding the request will:
- Potentially result in reductions of personnel, dramatically impacting the ability to serve students and the region.
- Significantly limit the ability to respond to the urgent needs of employers in southeastern Minnesota.

Service to Minnesota

- Each year, WSU generates $447.9 million in economic impact, as well as produces 1,900 graduates, and supports and sustains 3,465 jobs.
- Center of Excellence (Healthforce Minnesota) collaborates to increase and diversify health care workers, integrate health science education practice and research, and enhance the quality of patient care.
- Success Coach Program pairs underrepresented students with mentors to improve retention and graduation.
- WSU-Rochester’s elementary education courses at Riverside Central Elementary School prepare teacher candidates to engage with diverse elementary-age students.
- Partnership with RTP Company awards scholarships for composite materials engineering students.
- More than 92% of graduates are employed in their field of study within one year of graduation.

2019 Capital Request

- $11.9 million in asset preservation and replacement to correct accessibility issues, replace HVAC and roofs, update infrastructure

FROM AN ALUMNA:

“In the Hmong culture, the son takes care of the mom in her old age, but because I don’t have any brothers, it’s up to my sisters and me. Receiving a degree means I will be able to provide a better future not only for myself, but for my mother.”

– Ka Vang, alumna