4,023 academic programs to choose from

7,253 veterans and service members attend a Minnesota State college or university each year

36,000+ degrees, certificates, and diplomas awarded each year

62% State Colleges

65% State Universities

percent of students who receive financial aid

300,000 students attend our colleges and universities each year

9,953 customized training, occupational, and professional classes

84.5% job placement in a related field of study

$6,109 STATE COLLEGES

$9,894 STATE UNIVERSITIES

Average Minnesota State college and university tuition and fees before grants and scholarships
**MINNESOTA STATE BUDGET REQUEST**

**WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
Bridging education and employment for a robust economy

$100 million to educate and train Minnesota’s next generation workforce

All requested state funds will be matched one-to-one with non-state funds in-kind or cash.

- **$49 million: upgrade college and university equipment and learning environments**
  This investment will provide students with state-of-the-art learning environments for career and technical education and enhance applied research laboratories for interactive, hands-on, and multi-disciplinary approaches to STEM education.
  - Minnesota is at risk of falling behind investments made by neighboring states in learning environments that attract and retain students and workers.

- **$25.5 million: increase workforce development scholarships**
  Expand the Workforce Development Scholarship program to:
  - Add three new degree fields for scholarship eligibility: construction, education, and public safety
  - Expand eligibility and award amounts ($3,500) for state university students
  - Add select short-term credit and non-credit certificates for full cost of instruction (up to $1,500) and credit-for-prior learning (CPL) fees
  - Funding would be proportional to enrollment in the eligible programs

  This funding would triple the current number of approximately 1,600 students receiving scholarships.

- **$25.5 million: develop and expand industry sector programming**
  High-demand occupations are experiencing extraordinary changes in occupational skills due to technological changes in Minnesota’s increasingly advanced and diverse economy. By focusing on industry partnerships in Minnesota’s key industries, this funding will build capacity and support for new and re-designed curricular options with an emphasis on offering students work-place experiences, such as “earn & learn,” micro-credentials, internships, or applied research.

This is one portion of the overall Minnesota State Budget Request.

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