

**Minot State University
Budget No. 241
Senate Bill No. 2003**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 legislative appropriation	421.16	\$59,194,211 ¹	\$90,983,638	\$150,177,849
2023-25 legislative appropriation	<u>423.63</u>	<u>50,565,243</u>	<u>74,909,425</u>	<u>125,474,668</u>
2025-27 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2023-25 appropriation	(2.47)	\$8,628,968	\$16,074,213	\$24,703,181

¹This amount includes \$9,635,000 of one-time funding. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing General Fund appropriation is \$49,559,211.

Item Description

Enrollment - At the end of the 2025 regular legislative session, the Minot State University (MiSU) FTE student enrollment projection for the 2025-27 biennium was 2,146 for the fall 2025 semester and 2,167 for the fall 2026 semester.

Tuition collections - In the budget approved by the State Board of Higher Education (SBHE), tuition revenue for MiSU for the 2025-26 fiscal year was estimated to be \$17.9 million.

Higher Education Challenge Matching Grant Program - In Section 1 of Senate Bill No. 2003, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$24.76 million from the General Fund to the North Dakota University System office for the Higher Education Challenge Matching Grant Program. Minot State University may be awarded up to \$2.05 million under the program.

Extraordinary repairs - The Legislative Assembly, in Senate Bill No. 2003, appropriated \$899,620 from the General Fund to MiSU for extraordinary repairs. In Section 4 of the bill, the Legislative Assembly required institutions to match extraordinary repairs funding on a dollar-for-dollar basis using operations or other funding. The funding is considered Tier I of the University System Capital Building Fund, but it is included in the institution's capital assets line item.

University System Capital Building Fund - In addition to appropriating funding for specific capital projects, the 2019 Legislative Assembly established a University System Capital Building Fund for the 2019-21 biennium. The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$10 million from Bank of North Dakota profits as Tier II funding under the University System Capital Building Fund. The Tier II funding is appropriated directly to each institution and must be matched by the institutions with \$1 from operations or other sources for each \$1 from Bank profits. The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$9 million, including \$7 million from Bank profits and \$2 million from the General Fund, as Tier III funding under the University System Capital Building Fund. The

Status/Result

The actual fall 2025 semester FTE enrollment was 2,188, which was 42 students more than projected and 63 more than the fall 2024 semester.

Minot State University increased resident tuition rates for the 2025-26 academic year by 6 percent. The current estimate for tuition collections for the 2025-26 fiscal year is \$18 million, \$100,000 more than projected.

Through March 31, 2026, the MiSU Foundation has received \$1,200,232 in grant funding through the program. The university requested an additional \$446,338 in May 2026 and is continuing to seek donations to match available funding.

Minot State University anticipates matching and expending the full appropriation for extraordinary repairs projects by the end of the biennium.

Minot State University reported it does not anticipate spending any of its Tier II and Tier III allocations for the 2025-27 biennium, but the university does plan to spend nearly \$1 million continued in the University System Capital Building Fund from prior bienniums for various projects, including sidewalk and parking lot repairs, windows and siding replacement, and other projects.

Tier III funding is appropriated to the University System office to be allocated to the institutions as matching funds are committed and must be matched by the institutions with \$2 from operations or other sources for each \$1 appropriated as Tier III funding. After an institution has matched 75 percent of the funding appropriated from the General Fund as Tier I for institution extraordinary repairs and subject to SBHE approval, each institution may use money from Tier II and Tier III of its University System Capital Building Fund for extraordinary repairs and deferred maintenance projects that do not increase the square footage of a building.

The 2021, 2023, and 2025 Legislative Assemblies continued the University System Capital Building Fund with transfers of \$19 million, \$24 million, and \$26.5 million, respectively, from the Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF) to the University System Capital Building Fund. Minot State University was allocated \$906,412 in Tier II and \$700,000 in Tier III of the University System Capital Building Fund for the 2025-27 biennium.

One-time funding - The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$28,400,000, including \$9,635,000 from the General Fund, \$8,132,000 from SIIF, and \$10,600,000 from revenue bond proceeds and other local funds of one-time funding to MiSU for the 2025-27 biennium as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Student Center renovation (revenue bond proceeds)		\$3,100,000	\$3,100,000
Academic facilities projects (SIIF)		8,132,000	8,132,000
Advancing Students Toward Education and Employment Program	\$500,000		500,000
Track project (local funds)		3,000,000	3,000,000
Regional health sciences institute (local funds and University System Capital Building Fund)	8,500,000	4,500,000	13,000,000
Dakota Hall demolition	635,000		635,000
Total	\$9,635,000	\$18,732,000	\$28,367,000

The following is a summary of the status of MiSU's one-time funding:

Student Center renovation (revenue bond proceeds)	Minot State University reported the bonds were issued in February 2026, construction has begun, and the funds are anticipated to be expended by June 30, 2027.
Academic facilities projects (SIIF)	Minot State University reported \$2,354 has been expended as of March 31, 2026, and it anticipates requesting approximately \$3 million be continued into the 2027-29 biennium. Minot State University reported two projects are in the design phase and a third project is in the bidding phase.
Advancing Students Toward Education and Employment Program	Minot State University reported \$73,415 has been expended on the program as of March 31, 2026.
Track project (local funds)	Minot State University reported it had not yet begun raising funds for the project as of March 31, 2026, and a request to continue the appropriation authority to the 2027-29 biennium is anticipated.
Regional health sciences institute (local funds and University System Capital Building Fund)	Minot State University reported no funds have been expended as of March 31, 2026, for the regional health sciences institute. The institution is working with Trinity Health in Minot to buy the facility and anticipates expending the funds by June 30, 2027, for the purchase and any necessary capital updates.
Dakota Hall demolition	The \$635,000 appropriated from the General Fund for the 2025-27 biennium is in addition to \$765,000 appropriated from SIIF for the 2023-25 biennium, providing a total of \$1.4 million for the project. Minot State University reported a total of \$527,707 has been expended as of March 31, 2026, and the full appropriation is anticipated to be spent by June 30, 2026.

Workforce Education Innovation Grant Program - The Legislative Assembly, in Senate Bill No. 2003, appropriated \$10 million from SIIF to the University System office for the Workforce Education Innovation Grant Program to provide grant funds to institutions under the control of the SBHE to create or expand academic programs to address workforce needs.

The University System office reported a committee, including workforce-focused individuals from various state agencies and two members of the SBHE, was formed to allocate funding to campuses from the workforce education innovations grants line item. The committee reviewed applications requesting the funds from all nine eligible institutions and awarded all of the \$10 million appropriation in August 2025.

Minot State University was awarded \$1.4 million in grant funding for academic programs relating to engineering, nursing, and substance use and mental health disorders counseling.