

Nevada System of Higher Education

2027 - 2029

Biennial State Budget Process & Priorities

NSHE Board of Regents Meeting

May 21, 2026

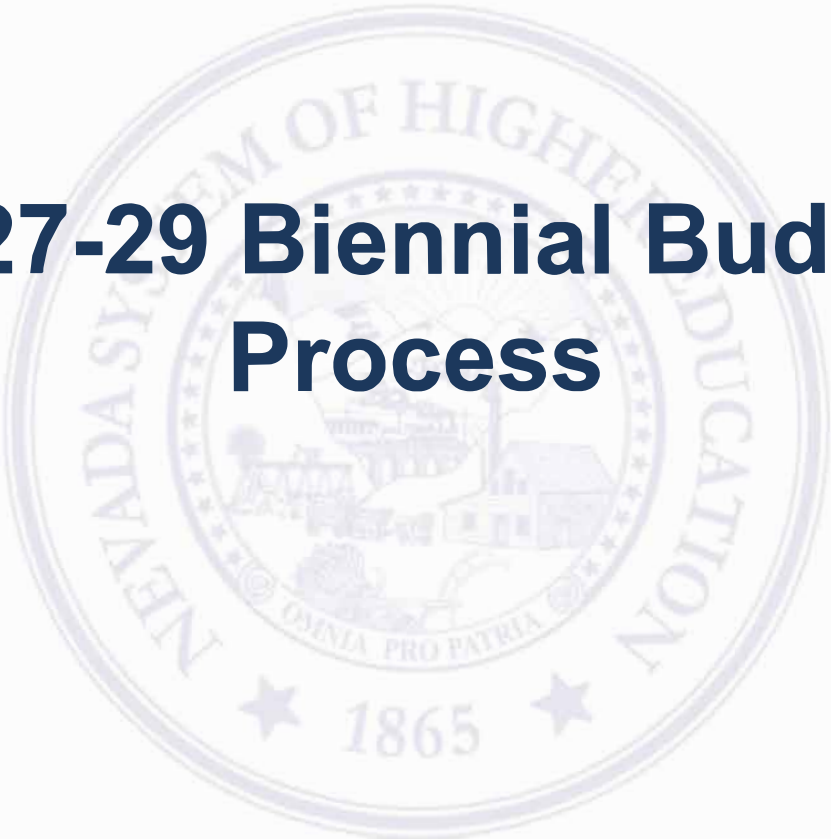


Areas for Discussion Today

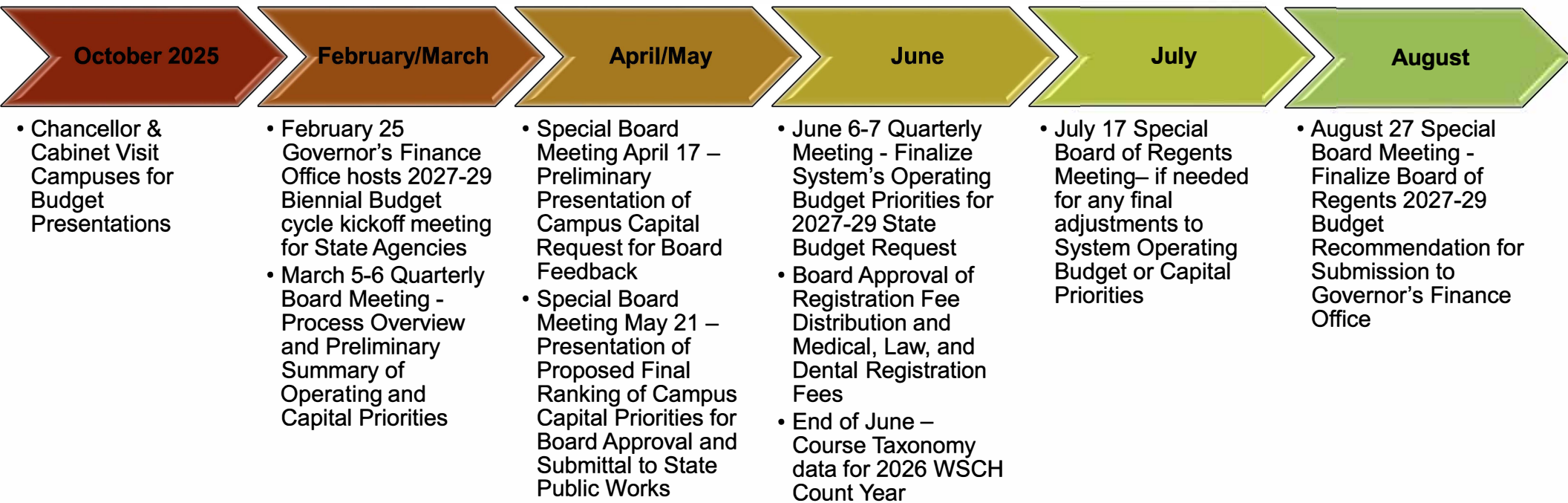
- NSHE Budget Preparation Process Timeline
- Institution Budget Enhancement Requests
 - Priority Areas Identified at March and April Board Meetings
 - Presenting Requests by Areas of Focus for Consideration
 - Direction for June Meeting



2027-29 Biennial Budget Process



Timeline for the 2027-29 Biennial Budget Request





2027-29
NSHE Operating Priorities



Governor's 3-Year Plan Priorities

- Education and Workforce
- Economic Growth and Business Development
- Health and Wellness
- Public Safety and Infrastructure
- Governmental Support Services
- Rural and Natural Resources

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Alignment



2027-29 Operating Budget Priorities: Adequacy of Total Funding

- Adequacy of Total Funding
- Continuation of Base Funding Components and Caseload
- Priority Areas Identified at March and April Meetings
- Requests by Area of Focus (No Recommended Priority Order):
 - Public Safety and Security
 - Student Success and Academic Support
 - Facilities and Operational Support
 - Healthcare Workforce Development
 - Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce
 - Student Access and Affordability
 - Technology and Digital Initiatives
 - Specialized Program and Research Areas



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Fee Waivers Student Success and Academic Support

➤ Native American (NRS 396.5449) and National Guard (NRS 396.544)

2027-29 Biennium Total Request: \$22.8 million

Institution	Native American	National Guard	Total
GBC	\$ 656,900	\$ 50,865	\$ 707,765
UNLV	\$ 3,776,009	\$ 3,876,397	\$ 7,652,406
UNR	\$ 7,073,819	\$ 3,731,559	\$ 10,805,378
CSN	\$ 361,769	\$ 661,532	\$ 1,023,301
TMCC	\$ 908,790	\$ 608,519	\$ 1,517,309
NSU	\$ 138,436	\$ 372,391	\$ 510,827
WNC	\$ 492,236	\$ 93,586	\$ 585,822
Total:	\$ 13,407,959	\$ 9,394,849	\$ 22,802,808

Revised as of May 18, 2026.



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Small Institution Factor Facilities and Operational Support

➤ Fund Small Institution Factor at 100% of 2025 Policy Changes

Net increases resulting from budgetary policy changes approved during the 2025 Legislative Session for the small institution factor were funded at 20% in FY26 and 40% in FY27.

Legislatively Approved Small SIF Funding for FY26 and FY27 Compared to Full SIF Calculated FY27 Amount Resulting From Policy Changes			
Institution	FY26 Funding	FY27 Funding	FY27 SIF at 100%
GBC	\$ 902,458	\$ 1,195,726	\$ 2,015,651
WNC	\$ 183,547	\$ 386,035	\$ 964,973



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Public Safety and Security

➤ Safety and Security Operations Including Sworn Personnel (\$32.9 million)

- UNLV \$ 10,785,037
- CSN \$ 2,500,000
- WNC \$ 1,550,000
- GBC \$ 10,120,000
- UNR \$ 5,600,000
- TMCC \$ 1,000,000
- NSU \$ 1,366,000

➤ Cybersecurity/Technology Infrastructure (\$28.0 million)

- UNLV \$ 16,300,000
- WNC \$ 604,900
- GBC \$ 800,000
- UNR \$ 9,700,000
- NSU \$ 634,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Student Success and Academic Support

➤ Increase Number of Advisors to 350:1 Ratio	\$ 5,920,000
▪ CSN (Current Ratio: 631:1) - \$ 5,320,000	
▪ GBC (Current Ratio: 480:1) - \$ 600,000	
➤ Additional Faculty for Corequisite Math Instruction: CSN	\$ 1,640,000
➤ Increase Dual Enrollment Programming : CSN	\$ 8,700,000
➤ Athlete Support/Funding Equity: UNLV/UNR	\$ 15,000,000
▪ UNLV - \$ 5,000,000 ▪ UNR - \$ 10,000,000	
➤ Student Wellness Services: NSU	\$ 500,000
➤ Mental Health Resources: GBC	\$ 166,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Facilities and Operational Support

- Inflation on Caseload (SB 427 - 2025 Session) **\$ 9,721,776**
 - UNLV \$ 4,325,366
 - CSN \$ 1,963,392
 - TMCC \$ 2,203,368
 - WNC \$ 938,124
 - NSU \$ 291,526

- O&M Funding for New Space **\$ 8,300,000**
 - UNLV \$ 3,100,000
 - UNR \$ 5,200,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Healthcare Workforce Development

- Formula Budgets – Increase Course Weight for Nursing, Allied Health, Health Professionals (Health Cluster: 51) **\$ 74,643,334**
- Graduate Medical Education: UNLV, UNR **\$ 19,000,000**
 - UNLV \$ 10,000,000 ▪ UNR \$ 9,000,000
- Prosthetics and Orthotics Program: UNLV **\$ 4,024,300**
- Rural Dentistry Program: UNLV **\$ 7,605,809**
- College of Veterinary Funding: UNR **\$ 6,000,000**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Healthcare Workforce Development

- Behavioral Health Program: UNLV \$ 2,300,000
- Dental Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Clinic: UNLV \$ 1,500,000
- Social Work Workforce Expansion: UNR \$ 3,000,000
- Continuation of Nursing Expansion One Shot \$ 20,000,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce

- Teacher Pipeline Support: NSU \$ 1,000,000
- Teacher Preparation and Apprentices Programs: UNLV \$ 4,000,000
- Collegiate Academy Teacher Scholarships: UNR \$ 500,000
- Collegiate Academy for Title I Students: UNR \$ 2,200,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Student Access and Affordability

- Reduce Textbook Costs: NSU **\$ 550,000**
- Transportation: NSU **\$ 1,000,000**
- Food and Housing Insecurity: **\$ 22,000,000**
 - \$ 1,000,000 for NSU; \$21,000,000 for UNLV
- Silver State Opportunity Grant Increase: CSN **\$ 1,200,000**
- StepUp and StartUp: UNLV **\$ 1,778,571**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Technology and Digital Initiatives

- Digital Wolf Pack Initiative: UNR **\$ 10,000,000**
- Online Learning Initiative: UNR **\$ 2,050,000**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Specialized Program and Research Areas

- Nevada Water Initiative: DRI **\$ 4,000,000**
- Knowledge Fund: UNR **\$ 11,000,000**
- Prison Program Expansion: CSN, GBC, WNC **\$ 3,798,000**
 - CSN \$ 1,630,000
 - GBC \$ 1,060,000
 - WNC \$ 1,108,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Specialized Program and Research Areas

- Cloud Seeding: DRI \$ 1,500,000
- Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic: UNLV \$ 1,000,000
- Commercial Drivers License Program: GBC \$ 800,000
- WINN Funding: GBC & CSN \$ 5,000,000
- Workforce Investment Fund Development: \$ 6,000,000
 - TMCC & NSU



2027-29 Budget Priorities Summary

NSHE State Budget Requests by Area	UNLV	UNR	NSU	CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	DRI	NSHE Biennial Total
Public Safety and Security	\$ 27,085,037	\$ 15,300,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 10,920,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 2,154,900	-	\$ 60,959,937
Student Success and Academic Support	12,652,406	20,805,378	1,010,827	16,683,301	1,473,765	1,517,309	585,822	-	54,728,808
Facilities and Operational Support	7,425,366	5,200,000	291,526	1,963,392	-	2,203,368	938,124	-	18,021,776
Healthcare Workforce Development ¹	53,116,593	32,268,250	9,720,506	10,881,482	2,625,278	7,855,304	1,606,030	-	138,073,443
Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce	4,000,000	2,700,000	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	7,700,000
Student Access and Affordability	22,778,571	-	2,550,000	1,200,000	-	-	-	-	27,528,571
Technology and Digital Initiatives	-	12,050,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,050,000
Specialized Program and Research Areas	1,000,000	11,000,000	4,000,000	5,630,000	2,860,000	2,000,000	1,108,000	5,500,000	33,098,000
TOTAL:	\$ 128,057,973	\$ 99,323,628	\$ 20,572,859	\$ 38,858,175	\$ 17,879,043	\$ 14,575,981	\$ 6,392,876	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 351,160,535

¹ The total for the Healthcare Workforce Development area, as well as the biennium total includes \$20M for the continuation of the Nursing expansion one shot. (SB 498, 2025 Session).



Questions?

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