System Initiatives / New Programs

Total Funding = $7.5 million

Veterans Success: funding to increase service levels across the system to meet the unique challenges veterans face with engaging and succeeding in higher education.

Total = $1 million (biennial/restricted OTO)
  1. Link to more detailed description

Workforce Development & 2-year Education: funding to incentivize campuses and high schools to expand dual credit curriculum and opportunities and facilitate the development of innovative workforce training and education programs designed to reach out to adult learners.

Total = $1 million (biennial/OTO)
  ◇ Link to more detailed description

WWAMI Expansion: increase slots in WWAMI program for the first time in 40 years, growing the number of new students entering the program from 20 to 30. (details)

Total = $908,174 (biennial)
  ◇ $392,909 to MSU; $515,265 state subsidy for students

Veterinary Medicine: funding to launch the Montana Cooperative Veterinary Medicine Program, a joint program between MSU and Washington State University; the program will eventually admit 10 students per year and operate similar to WWAMI. (details)

Total = $1 million (biennial/OTO)

Energy & Natural Resources Doctoral Program: funding to develop and support the collaborative Materials Science doctoral program with Montana Tech, UM-Missoula, and MSU-Bozeman.

Total = $600,000 (biennial/OTO)
  ◇ Action Item in Academic, Research, & Student Affairs Committee

Medical Residency Expansion: funding to help to increase the number of 3-year graduate medical residency slots from 6 to 78.

Total = $400,000 (biennial)
**System Initiatives / New Programs (cont.)**

**Community College Workforce Development:** funding to help Miles and Dawson Community Colleges meet the growing workforce demands of eastern Montana.

Total = $1 million (OTO)

**MSUN Bio-energy Research Center:** funding to help support and further develop bio-energy research at MSU Northern.

Total = $400,000 (biennial/OTO)

**Increase Tribal College Assistance:** additional funding of non-beneficiary student assistance at Montana’s tribal colleges.

Total = $368,884 (biennial/OTO)

**Extension Service-Local Government Center:** funding to continue service through the Local Government Center at MSU Extension.

Total = $200,000 (OTO)

**Coal & Mine Data Records:** funding for the Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology for three new FTE and related expenses to assist with making data records of mines and coal available online to the public.

Total = $600,000 (State Special Revenue/restricted OTO)