

The University of North Carolina Proposed 2013-14 Legislative Policy Agenda

The University of North Carolina is committed to promoting efficiency and effectiveness as we deliver on our mission to educate and prepare the workforce of tomorrow. UNC campuses submitted over 45 policy proposals for consideration. We believe many of the proposals can be resolved administratively, which we will work to accomplish.

Recognizing the current budget challenges, the Board of Governors recommends the following 2013-14 policy agenda to create additional efficiencies, streamline processes, and improve our outreach and service. In addition to recommending certain legislative actions, the University stands ready to work with the General Assembly and the Governor to reduce the cost of operations, implement regulatory reform, and streamline business practices.

Operational Efficiencies and Effectiveness

Incentivize savings practices through carry-forward reform.

Support state aid intercept to allow redirection of state appropriation to cover debt service on bonds.

Modify GS 143-64.17L to include additional UNC campuses seeking to implement energy conservation measures.

Support electronic commerce enabling legislation.

Align approval limit for capital improvement project fund with the informal project limit and bonding threshold.

Diversify funding options for NCSSM/Provide high school student funding to UNCSA to cover difference between incurred costs and appropriated amounts.

Delegate authority for disposition by lease – Centennial Campus.

Reduce redundant or duplicative reporting requirements.

Personnel Efficiencies/Services

Provide for eligibility and participation in ORP of SPA employees hired between August 1, 2011 and December 31, 2012.

Modify definition of a volunteer under the six-month break in service requirement.

Clarify and simplify residency statutes.

Provide personnel authority for SPA employees.

Modify tuition waiver benefit to allow UNC faculty and staff to take three classes per year instead of two.