The University of North Carolina
2011-13 Legislative Policy Agenda

The University of North Carolina is committed to efficiency and effectiveness as we deliver on our mission to educate and prepare the workforce of tomorrow. In light of the current budget challenges, the Board of Governors recommends the following policy agenda to create additional efficiencies, streamline processes, leverage economies of scale, and improve our outreach and service. In addition to these recommendations, 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.

Increase Efficiencies and Effectiveness

Strengthen Millennial Campus Partnerships with Private Sector

- Increase Board of Governors' authority relative to the acquisition and disposition of property on millennial campuses.
- Expand existing authority of the Board of Governors to dispose of property by lease from a maximum of 10 years to a maximum of 20 years.

Authorize standardization of Building Control Systems.

Authorize campuses to deposit Education & Technology Fees in trust fund accounts.

Improve Campus Safety

Extend territorial jurisdiction for campus law enforcement.

Authorize direct purchase of campus safety vehicles.

Human Resources

Permanently extend UNC's Phased Retirement Program.

Shorten the current break in service requirement for the reemployment of retirees to 1 month.

Authorize vesting reciprocity between ORP and TSERS.

Enable UNC Health Care System to offer ORP as a retirement option.

Extend and broaden furlough authority of the President through the current budget crisis.

Authorize UNC to develop new HR programs to benefit SPA employees, while retaining all current protections and grievance procedures provided by the State Personnel Act.

Military Outreach

Add Special Operations Medics to the Student Loan Program for Health, Science and Mathematics.

Expand Advisory Commission on Military Affairs to include UNC President's designee.

Improve Health Services

Add ECU Dental school students as eligible recipients of the UNC Board of Governors Dental Scholarship-Loan Program.

Allow ECU to retain rental receipts from health care service providers co-located in campus facilities to improve patient access to health care.

Investment Flexibility

Allow UNC campuses and the UNC Healthcare System to manage trust fund investments through the UNC Management Company.