



PRESENTATION TO
THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

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ABOUT SC STATE UNIVERSITY

Since 1896, **South Carolina State University** has maintained a legacy of excellence in education.

We have been home to generations of scholars and leaders in business, military service, government, athletics, education, medicine, science, engineering technology and more.

We have also used federal, state and other grants to reach out into the community using faculty initiated research to address a broad range of problems important to the state regional and international communities.

We are currently providing support to Zanzibar in East Africa to develop text books and curricula to improve science and mathematics.

Located in Orangeburg, S.C., SC State was founded as a land grant college with a mission of providing education and service to the citizens of the state. In its first century, SC State was a leader in education and continues to lead the way into the next century.

MISSION

South Carolina State University, a senior comprehensive-teaching institution, is committed to providing affordable and accessible quality undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

This public university with a student population between 4,000 and 5,000 is located in Orangeburg, an area that has a traditional rural, agricultural economy which has expanded to include a business and industrial focus that is national and international in scope.

South Carolina State University's 1890 land-grant legacy of service to the citizenry of the state is ensured through its collaborative efforts with local, rural, and statewide businesses, public education, colleges and industry. This symbiotic relationship provides a catalyst that spurs reciprocal economic and social growth for the university, state, nation and the international community-at-large..

STATEMENT

South Carolina State University was created in 1896 in response to a challenge of federal legislation to provide educational access to the masses of people located in South Carolina. Historically, these masses were defined as “colored”. This legislative mandate has as its genesis the Federal Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890. Under the Morrill Act of 1890, states were directed to use these funds to enhance educational programs related to agriculture and the mechanic arts. However, for those institutions using the funds they could not “discriminate by color or race” in the admission of students. Out of this history, separate institutions were created in the south to educate “colored” students and any other student choosing to attend these southern land grant colleges. Despite this history, South Carolina State University is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and is still working to be recognized as a land grant university in mission and funding for academic, research and extension programs.

QUOTE

“Among the sixty-nine institutions receiving some of the benefits from Land Grant College legislation are seventeen Southern Colleges listed by the United States Office of Education as “attended predominantly by Negro students.” In their own way, they are as unique in American education as the other fifty-two land-grant colleges and universities. Historically they have developed under entirely different conditions and with handicaps unknown to the other fifty two. They are the product of a social and economic pattern of a particular region rather than a nation. The Negro institutions have been and continue to be operating under a time lag of some fifteen to twenty-five years behind the other institutions with which they share the name “Land-Grant.” Their progress since the mid-thirties, however, shows ample promise of an erasure of that lag.”

From the Book “Colleges of our Land and Time.” Edward Danforth Eddy. 1957. Harper and Brothers, 49 East 33rd Street, New York 16, New York. Library of Congress No. 57-6739.

UNIQUE FACTS

- The only undergraduate environmental sciences field station in the nation
- The only undergraduate degree program in nuclear engineering in SC and at an HBCU
- The only master of science degree in transportation in SC
- The only master of business administration degree with a concentration in agribusiness in SC
- The only doctor of education degree in the state focusing on education administration
- The only university in South Carolina to participate in President George Bush's Africa Program (USAID) – to provides textbook and other learning materials to the schools of Africa.
- The lead institution for the South Carolina Alliance for Minority Participation (SCAMP)—a consortium of institutions including South Carolina State University, Allen University, Benedict College, Claflin University, Clemson University, College of Charleston, Denmark Technical College, Midlands Technical College, Morris College, Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, the University of South Carolina and Voorhees College.
- A participatory university in providing mathematics and science textbooks to the country of Zanzibar in East Africa.

STATISTICAL DATA

JULY 30, 2008

AVERAGE SAT SCORES OF 1ST TIME FRESHMEN

| Term | SAT Score |
|-------------|------------------|
| Fall 2003 | 821 |
| Fall 2004 | 830 |
| Fall 2005 | 822 |
| Fall 2006 | 832 |
| Fall 2007 | 823 |

Graduation Rate

(1st Time, full-time degree seeking students) (2001 Cohort)

| Term | Percent |
|-------------|----------------|
| Fall 2003 | 48.6% |
| Fall 2004 | 52.8% |
| Fall 2005 | 46.8% |
| Fall 2006 | 53.8% |
| Fall 2007 | 45.2% |

NUMBER OF LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

| Term | Number |
|-------------|---------------|
| 2002-2003 | 314 |
| 2003-2004 | 372 |
| 2004-2005 | 461 |
| 2005-2006 | 478 |
| 2006-2007 | 464 |

Headcount Student Enrollment

| Term | Headcount Enrollment |
|-----------|----------------------|
| Fall 2003 | 4,466 |
| Fall 2004 | 4,294 |
| Fall 2005 | 4,446 |
| Fall 2006 | 4,384 |
| Fall 2007 | 4,933 |

Number of SCSU Employees

| Term | SCSU Employees (E&G) |
|-----------|----------------------|
| Fall 2003 | 745 |
| Fall 2004 | 729 |
| Fall 2005 | 749 |
| Fall 2006 | 750 |
| Fall 2007 | 720 |

SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID

Nearly one-third of students from households with income less than \$20,000 annually 1,402

Nearly one-half of students from households with income less than \$30,000 annually 2,112

Grant Amounts Available

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Pell | \$ 4,731 |
| SEOG | \$ 2,000* |
| Needs Based Grant | \$ 2,000* |
| Total Grant | \$ 8,731 |
| <u>Average cost of attendance</u> | <u>\$ 14,664</u> |

Difference \$ 5,933

Need Based

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|---|-------|
| -Students receiving | 734 |
| -Students qualifying (not receiving - approximately) | 1,000 |

**Institutional limit due to number of applicants*

DEGREES AWARDED

**637 Bachelors, Masters, Specialists, and
Doctoral Degrees were awarded in 2007-08.**



517 - Bachelors

89 - Masters

3 - Post Masters

11 - Doctoral

17 - Specialists

FINANCIALS

Educational & General Revenues

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Tuition & Fees | \$44,877,417 |
| Appropriations | \$26,795,789 |
| Sales and Services | \$ 2,715,258 |
| Other Fees | \$ 483,500 |
| <u>Total E&G Revenues</u> | <u>\$74,871,964</u> |

Total Expenditures

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| E&G Activities | \$73,471,414 |
| Auxiliaries Activities | \$19,405,659 |
| State Grants | \$12,676,249 |
| <u>Federal Grants</u> | <u>\$54,501,255</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$160,054,577</u> |

TUITION & FEES

FY 2008-2009

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| In-State (<i>Per Year</i>) | \$7,806 |
| Board (<i>Average</i>) | \$4,200 |
| <u>Meals</u> (<i>21 Meals Per Week</i>) | <u>\$2,658</u> |
| TOTAL | \$14,664 |

SC State University Major Goals

- Designation as Research University
- Continuous Improvement of Infrastructure

THE FY 2009-2010 BUDGET REQUEST



BUDGET REQUEST PRIORITIES

Operating

1. South Carolina State University supports the Commission on Higher Education requests in additional recurring funds to begin restoration of the institution's appropriations in accordance with the Mission Resource Requirements (MRR)
2. South Carolina State University also supports the Statewide Higher Education Electronic Library. (PASCAL)
3. **Deferred Maintenance (Lottery Funding/Supplemental)** **\$ 5,000,000**
4. **Restoration of Supplemental Funding** **\$ 1,500,000**
5. **Continuation of 1890 match** **\$ 3,313,986**
6. **Below-the-Line Requests** **\$ 2,659,000**
 - James E. Clyburn Transportation Center \$ 1,159,000
 - SC Alliance for Minority Participation \$600,000
 - (S.C. State University is the lead institution & other participating institutions are Clemson University, University of South Carolina, College of College, Allen University, Benedict College, Claflin University, Denmark Tech., Midlands Tech., Morris College, Orangeburg-Calhoun Tech. and Voorhees College.)*
 - Academic Initiative \$ 500,000
7. **Nursing** **\$ 1,000,000**

In January 2007, the South Carolina Nursing Program received Full Approval from the South Carolina Board of Nursing. Paramount for continuing the Full Approval status is the improvement in success rates on the NCLEX licensing exam, hiring qualified faculty, maintaining excellent clinical faculty, developing research accreditation skills of the faculty and administrators in Nursing, continuous improvement in program development, and improvement in admissions and advising processes.

BUDGET REQUEST

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| Capital Projects | \$ 62,850,000 |
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| Whittaker Library Expansion/Renovations | \$ 24,000,000 |
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| Construction of Academic Classes on Facility | \$ 14,350,000 |
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| Deferred Maintenance-Phase II | <u>\$ 24,500,000</u> |
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CURRENTLY FUNDED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

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| Deferred Maintenance (\$5 million annually) | \$ 5,000,000 |
| Source: Appropriation & Renovation Reserve Account | |
| Engineering/Computer Science Complex | \$ 25,000,000 |
| Source: Tuition Bonds | |
| Hodge Hall – Science Building | \$ 20,000,000 |
| Source: Tuition Bonds - \$8,000,000 | |
| Capital Improvement Bonds - \$10,000,000 | |
| Other - \$2,000,000 | |
| Lowman Hall – Administration | \$ 7,500,000 |
| Source: Capital Improvement Bonds | |
| Institutional Funds | |
| James E. Clyburn Transportation Center (Phase 1) | \$26,000,000 |
| Source: Federal 90% | |
| State 10% | |
| TOTAL FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS | \$83,500,000 |

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