

THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA



2013 Legislative Budget Summary

President Bernie Machen
UF Faculty Senate Meeting
May 9, 2013

Preeminence Bill

- Designates UF as “preeminent”
- Provides \$15 million annually
- General education expansion

Distance Learning

- Establishes UF Institute of Online Learning

Facilities

- \$15 million toward construction of new chemistry building
- \$11.6 million toward renovation of Reitz Union
- \$16.7 million for critical deferred maintenance

Tuition and Raises

- Three-percent tuition increase
- Pay raises for all state employees
- Merit bonuses for many

Performance Funding

- Special support for universities that excel in IT education
- Extra funding tied to graduates' employment/salaries
- Extra funding for matching degrees with jobs

Some Units See Increases

- \$1.85 million for UF/IFAS programs
- \$3.6 million for College of Medicine programs
- \$2.5 million-plus for College of Education programs

Other Items of Interest

- \$3.3 million for Shands Cancer Hospital
- \$7.05 million for cancer research
- \$1.25 million for Alzheimer's research

Further Items of Interest

- \$2 million for Florida High Tech Corridor
- \$2.2 million for St. Augustine historic properties
- \$500,000 for McKnight Brain Institute

Summary of 2013 Legislature

- Preeminence bill and chemistry building both major strides forward
- Pay raises needed and welcome
- Many UF colleges/units benefited

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