

**Minot State University  
Budget 241  
Senate Bill No. 2003**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2009-11 legislative appropriation	189.82	\$39,877,100 <sup>1</sup>	\$27,250,000	\$67,127,100
2007-09 legislative appropriation	<u>184.83</u>	<u>38,267,401</u>	<u>1,406,615</u>	<u>39,674,016</u>
2009-11 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2007-09 appropriation	4.99	\$1,609,699	\$25,843,385	\$27,453,084

<sup>1</sup>This amount includes \$4,345,111 of one-time funding. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing general fund appropriation is \$35,531,989.

**NOTE:** The 2009-11 legislative appropriation amounts include:

- \$61,412 from the general fund for the institution's share of the \$750,000 security and emergency preparedness funding pool appropriated to the North Dakota University System office.
- \$250,000 from the general fund for the institution's share of the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) funding pool appropriated to the University System office.

**Item Description**

**Enrollment** - At the end of the 2009 Legislative Assembly, Minot State University's FTE student enrollment projection for the 2009-11 biennium was 3,074 for the fall 2009 semester and 3,228 for the fall 2010 semester.

**Tuition collections** - Minot State University estimated tuition revenue of \$10,380,636 for the 2009-10 fiscal year.

**One-time funding** - In Section 7 of 2009 Senate Bill No. 2003, the Legislative Assembly identified \$59,233,248 from the general fund and \$10,400,000 from the permanent oil tax trust fund for one-time funding items for the University System. Of this amount, \$3,750,000 from the general fund is for the boiler project and \$595,111 from the general fund is for deferred maintenance at Minot State University. This amount is not to be considered part of the agency's base budget for preparing the 2011-13 executive budget, and Minot State University is to report to the Appropriations Committees during the 2011 legislative session on the use of this funding.

**Status/Result**

Minot State University's fall 2009 semester FTE enrollment was 2,831, 243 less than projected and 111 more than the fall 2008 semester.

Minot State University's current estimate for tuition collections for the 2009-10 fiscal year is \$9,430,934, \$949,702 less than projected.

Minot State University anticipates using all the funds provided for deferred maintenance during the 2009-11 biennium.

See the **Capital projects** section below for information regarding the status of the university's boiler project.

**Capital projects** - The Legislative Assembly authorized the following capital projects for Minot State University for the 2009-11 biennium:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Parking lot repair		\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Student Wellness Center		15,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	15,000,000
Boiler replacement	\$3,750,000 <sup>2</sup>	6,250,000	10,000,000
Swain Hall renovation	<sup>2</sup>	5,000,000 <sup>3</sup>	5,000,000
Total	\$3,750,000	\$27,250,000	\$31,000,000

<sup>1</sup>The executive budget recommendation included revenue bonding authority of \$5 million and special funds spending authority of \$5 million from student fees for the Student Wellness Center project. The Legislative Assembly increased the revenue bonding authority amount for the project to \$10 million.

<sup>2</sup>Sections 22 and 23 of 2009 Senate Bill No. 2003 provide that of the \$3,750,000 designated for the boiler project, \$2,500,000 may be used for a geothermal energy system and \$1,250,000 may be used for the Swain Hall project.

<sup>3</sup>Funding is provided from federal fiscal stabilization - other government services federal stimulus funds made available to the Governor.

**Football stadium project** - Minot State University received State Board of Higher Education approval in February 2010 to proceed with repairs and improvements to the Minot State University football stadium at a cost of \$2,802,500. The project was not considered by the Legislative Assembly or Budget Section.

**Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics** - Minot State University received an allocation of \$250,000 from the general fund for the institution's share of the STEM funding pool appropriated to the University System office.

The status of each project as of April 2010 is as follows:

- Parking lot repair - The project has not been started.
- Student Wellness Center - The university received Budget Section approval in March 2010 to change the scope of the project to add a basement to the project at an estimated cost of \$924,000.
- Boiler replacement - The university is currently seeking additional funding sources, including federal grant funding to install a geothermal energy system rather than refurbishing the existing coal boiler.
- Swain Hall renovation - The university anticipates the project will be completed in August 2010 and has expended approximately \$629,285 of funding for the project that was designated for the boiler project. The university anticipates using all federal fiscal stimulus funding designated for the project.

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code Section 15-10-16.1, the university obtained a loan from the Bank of North Dakota to finance the project. As required by Section 15-10-16.1, the university has certificates of deposit of at least 90 percent of the loan value held by the Bank of North Dakota. The university obtained funding for the certificates of deposit through revenue generated from online courses and local sources.

The university is using the funding to develop an interactive prototype website to provide STEM resources to elementary and secondary education teachers.