

Budget Priority Ranking Survey Results

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Hello Staff & Faculty,

Thank you to all those who participated in [College Council's Budget Priority Ranking Survey](#), sent out on Jan. 6, 2020. The results from the survey are listed below. Overall, 92 staff and faculty members participated in the survey anonymously. A reminder that these budget priorities were gathered based on survey submissions and feedback from the Dec. 2 Budget Forum.

The results from this survey (top ten priorities) will now be shared with President Rimando-Chareunsap and the President's Cabinet for consideration. College Council looks forward to working with Cabinet to ensure staff and faculty priorities are considered in any upcoming budgetary decisions.

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Feb. College Council Meeting, 2/11, 1:30-3 p.m., CAH 124**
- **Winter Quarter Budget Forum, 3/9, 2-4 p.m., CAH 107**

Results from the 1/6 Budget Priority Ranking Survey (top ten for recommendation):

1. Funding for campus improvements such as classroom furniture and spaces, bathrooms, flooring, technology and other infrastructure
2. Funding for a dedicated Welcome Center on campus to serve as a single entry point for prospective students and supporting the on-boarding and enrollment process
3. Funding to hire additional custodial staff
4. Funding to increase capacity to help student's meet their basic needs (housing, food, transportation). Funding areas could include homeless student support, the SSC Food Pantry and help reducing student parking fees.
5. Funding to hire additional advisors (possibly with a focus on evening and weekend students)
6. Funding for a "Financial Literacy Specialist" position to help with scholarships, understanding financial aid options & assisting with FAFSA/WASFA
7. Funding to expand open computer lab capacity so that online/hybrid course offerings may be increased. Labs would provide access to computers for course work and testing.
8. Funding for additional Human Resources staff to support the hiring process
9. Increased funding for marketing/advertising campaigns
10. Increased security staff members and security camera coverage across campus

For consideration next year:

- Increased funding for faculty professional development or trainings (especially those with a focus on racial equity)
- Funding for an "Academic Scheduler" position within Instruction to coordinate campus scheduling
- Funding for an "Instructional Designer" position
- Funding to establish a "loaner laptop program" where students could rent out laptops which they could take off-campus to work on online/hybrid coursework
- Funding for racial affinity groups for students of color in underrepresented academic programs
- Funding for faculty and staff space reallocation. Money set aside for departmental moves, which may require some need for furnishings, computers, etc.
- Funding for an additional Workforce Specialist (possibly with focus on adults with dependents)
- Funding for a support staff member or student position in the SSC MakerSpace (RAH 115, 116) to help set-up and maintain equipment

Thank you for your continued support! Please reach out if you have questions.

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