

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Budget Committee Report

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Executive Summary

Summary of Total Expenditures, FY 2023 – FY 2027				
	SGF	All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions
FY 2023 Actual	\$ 170,208,963	\$ 695,261,110	\$ 865,470,073	5,299.0
FY 2024 Actual	177,423,398	858,986,343	1,036,409,741	4,864.0
FY 2025 Actual	197,653,536	1,077,515,718	1,275,169,254	5,029.0
FY 2026				
Approved, with Reappropriations	\$ 198,210,828	\$ 837,626,716	\$ 1,035,837,544	5,149.0
Agency Revised Estimate	199,903,155	953,710,670	1,153,613,825	5,006.0
Special Committee on the State Budget	199,430,929	953,710,670	1,153,141,599	5,006.0
House Appropriations	199,430,929	953,710,670	1,153,141,599	5,006.0
Senate Ways and Means	199,903,155	953,710,670	1,153,613,825	5,006.0
Conference Committee*	-	-	-	-
Governor's Recommendation	199,903,155	953,710,670	1,153,613,825	5,006.0
FY 2027				
FY 2026 Approved, without Reappropriations	\$ 192,458,224	\$ 807,936,840	\$ 1,000,395,064	5,149.0
Agency Request	193,606,375	839,570,838	1,033,177,213	5,006.0
Special Committee on the State Budget	193,606,375	839,570,838	1,033,177,213	5,006.0
House Appropriations	187,439,199	839,570,838	1,027,010,037	5,006.0
Senate Ways and Means	193,606,375	839,570,838	1,033,177,213	5,006.0
Conference Committee*	-	-	-	-
Governor's Recommendation	193,606,375	839,521,866	1,033,128,241	5,006.0

* Note : This committee has not taken action on this agency's budget yet.

** Note : The approved budget includes expenditures in FY 2026 that are not included in the agency allocation for FY 2027. These expenditures are not included for FY 2027 as to better provide a point of comparison. For this agency, these adjustments include a reduction of \$16.4 million all funds below the approved budget for FY 2026 for capital improvement projects that occurred in FY 2026 but do not reoccur in FY 2027.

The University of Kansas (KU) was established in 1864 by the Kansas Legislature. KU is a major comprehensive research and teaching university. It is the only Kansas Regents university to hold membership in the Association of American Universities (AAU), a group of 62 public and private research universities that represent excellence in graduate and professional education and the highest achievements in research internationally. In addition to the main campus in Lawrence, KU includes medical centers in Kansas City and Wichita, the Regents Center in Overland Park, and other education and research facilities throughout the state. KU has 14 major academic divisions, including Liberal Arts and Sciences, Graduate School, Allied Health, Architecture and Urban Design, Business, Education, Engineering, and Social Welfare.

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FY 2026

Summary of Legislative Recommendations, FY 2026				
	SGF	All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions
Approved, with Reappropriations	\$ 198,210,828	\$ 837,626,716	\$ 1,035,837,544	5,149.0
Agency Revised Estimate	199,903,155	953,710,670	1,153,613,825	5,006.0
Special Committee on the State Budget (SBC)				
<i>Change from Agency Revised Estimate</i>	\$ (472,226)	\$ -	\$ (472,226)	-
TOTAL – Special Committee	\$ 199,430,929	\$ 953,710,670	\$ 1,153,141,599	5,006.0
House Committees				
Higher Education Budget Appropriations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Committee of the Whole*	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – House Change from SBC</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
TOTAL – Current House Position	\$ 199,430,929	\$ 953,710,670	\$ 1,153,141,599	5,006.0
Senate Committees				
Ways and Means [Higher Education]	\$ 472,226	\$ -	\$ 472,226	-
Ways and Means	-	-	-	-
Committee of the Whole*	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – Senate Change from SBC</i>	\$ 472,226	\$ -	\$ 472,226	-
TOTAL – Current Senate Position	\$ 199,903,155	\$ 953,710,670	\$ 1,153,613,825	5,006.0
Legislative Approved				
Conference Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Governor's Vetoes	-	-	-	-
Veto Overrides	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – Approved Change from SBC</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
GRAND TOTAL – Final Approved	\$ 199,903,155	\$ 953,710,670	\$ 1,153,613,825	5,006.0

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Agency

The **agency** requests a revised estimate of \$1.2 billion, including \$199.9 million SGF, and 5,006.0 FTE positions in FY 2026. This is an increase of \$117.8 million, including \$1.7 million SGF, and a decrease of 143.0 FTE positions compared to the amount approved for FY 2026 by the 2025 Legislature. The increase is primarily due to funding for the football stadium renovation project (\$49.0 million) that was not previously reflected in the agency's budget, as well as transfers of \$15.7 million from the Educational Building Fund and \$7.4 million from the Kansas Campus Restoration Act from the Kansas Board of Regents. Additionally, the increase is attributable to the university applying university funding sources to implement the 2025 Pay Plan and increased estimates for federal financial aid.

Special Committee on the State Budget

The **Special Committee** concurs with the agency's revised estimate in FY 2026 with the following adjustment:

1. Delete \$472,226 SGF to lapse reappropriated funding for the IT Infrastructure and Cybersecurity for a required cyber maturity assessment in FY 2026.

House Committees

House Committee on Higher Education Budget

The **House Budget Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

House Committee on Appropriations

The **House Committee** concurs with the Budget Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

Senate Committees

Senate Committee on Ways and Means – Higher Education Subcommittee

The **Senate Subcommittee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation in FY 2026 with the following adjustment:

1. Add \$472,226 SGF to restore reappropriated funding for the IT Infrastructure and Cybersecurity for a required cyber maturity assessment.

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The **Senate Committee** concurs with the Senate Subcommittee's recommendation in FY 2026.

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FY 2027

Summary of Legislative Recommendations, FY 2027				
	SGF	All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions
FY 2026 Approved, without Reappropriations	\$ 192,458,224	\$ 807,936,840	\$ 1,000,395,064	5,149.0
Agency Request	193,606,375	839,570,838	1,033,177,213	5,006.0
Special Committee on the State Budget (SBC)				
<i>Change from Agency Request</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
TOTAL – Special Committee	\$ 193,606,375	\$ 839,570,838	\$ 1,033,177,213	5,006.0
House Committees				
Higher Education Budget	\$ (6,167,176)	\$ -	\$ (6,167,176)	-
Appropriations	-	-	-	-
Committee of the Whole*	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – House Change from SBC</i>	<i>\$ (6,167,176)</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>\$ (6,167,176)</i>	<i>-</i>
TOTAL – Current House Position	\$ 187,439,199	\$ 839,570,838	\$ 1,027,010,037	5,006.0
Senate Committees				
Ways and Means [Higher Education]	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Ways and Means	-	-	-	-
Committee of the Whole*	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – Senate Change from SBC</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>-</i>
TOTAL – Current Senate Position	\$ 193,606,375	\$ 839,570,838	\$ 1,033,177,213	5,006.0
Legislative Approved				
Conference Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Governor's Vetoes	-	-	-	-
Veto Overrides	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – Approved Change from SBC</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>-</i>
GRAND TOTAL – Final Approved	\$ 193,606,375	\$ 839,570,838	\$ 1,033,177,213	5,006.0

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Agency

The **agency** requests \$1.0 billion, including \$193.6 million SGF, and 5,006.0 FTE positions for FY 2027. This is an increase of \$32.8 million, including \$1.2 million SGF, above the amount approved by the 2025 Legislature. The increase is primarily due to the continuation of the 2025 Pay Plan with university funding sources and increased estimates in federal financial aid.

Special Committee on the State Budget

The **Special Committee** concurs with the agency request for FY 2027.

House Committees

House Committee on Higher Education Budget

The **House Budget Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation for FY 2027 with the following adjustment:

1. Delete \$4.2 million SGF for a 2.5 percent reduction in the agency's operations account.

House Committee on Higher Education Budget

The **House Committee** concurs with the Budget Committee's recommendation for FY 2027:

Senate Committees

Senate Committee on Ways and Means – Higher Education Subcommittee

The **Senate Subcommittee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation for FY 2027.

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The **Senate Committee** concurs with the Senate Subcommittee's recommendation for FY 2027.