

1986-87 budget includes UCSD projects

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Governor Deukmejian's proposed 1986-87 California budget includes \$480,000 in planning money for a new Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at the University of California, San Diego.

UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson was elated at the Pacific Studies funding. "Establishment of the School will be a great asset to UCSD's academic program and to the community. The Governor's continued support of the School underscores the fact that Pacific Basin studies are not only important to UCSD and San Diego, but also to California's business communities and to the state's economy."

The Governor's budget request provides \$1.8 billion for the operating budget of the nine-campuses of the University of California, and \$141.1 million in capital project funding.

The proposal includes \$17.6 million for an Instructional and Research Facility on the UCSD campus. However, three renovation projects also geared to relieving overcrowded classrooms and research areas were not included.

The major disappointment of the budget was that a top priority of the UCSD campus, planning money to expand the Central University Library, was not included.

Funding for two UCSD Medical Center projects was recommended: construction of a multi-purpose facility across the street from the hospital and planning money to expand and modernize the Medical Center.

The Governor also recommends a 5 percent salary increase for University faculty. This provides a modest edge over average faculty salaries at eight comparison institutions, which the Governor said he believes is essential to recruitment and retention.

The budget also proposes a 5 percent salary increase for University staff; however, employees in exclusive bargaining units will be subject to collective bargaining agreements.

Student fees should remain at the same level as last year, under the Governor's plan. He provides \$12 million to render unnecessary the University's proposal for a 7.5 percent fee hike consistent with legislation that established a long-term fee policy last year.

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