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The University of California, San Diego fared well in Governor Deukmejian's proposed 1988-89 California budget, as did the entire nine-campus University of California system.

The budget, released today, requests \$2.04 billion in operating funds for the University of California. This is a 7 percent increase over last year's allocation.

The budget also requests \$185.5 million in construction funds for the UC campuses. UCSD's share of this allocation would be \$37.7 million. All UCSD's major building project requests were included in the proposed budget.

A fee increase for students of approximately \$60 is also projected: a 4.4 percent increase for California residents, bringing their annual fees to \$1,434; and a 5 percent increase for non-residents, bringing their annual fee to \$4,506.

UC staff employees are targeted for a 5 percent salary increase on January 1, 1989. The budget also proposes a 3 percent salary increase for faculty, beginning January 1, 1989, in addition to providing full-year funding for a 5.6 percent increase that was effective January 1, 1988.

Also included in the Governor's package is full funding for projected UC enrollment growth of 2,910 undergraduates and 695 graduate students.

UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson said of the budget request that he was "especially pleased that it contains strong capital support, which is critically needed for the campus to accommodate student growth. I'm also delighted at the increase in graduate student funding, which recognizes the national need to increase the number of Ph.D.'s available as a resource to the country."

The UCSD projects that are targeted for funding include:

** \$26 million for construction of an addition to an inpatient tower at the UCSD Medical Center, renovation of numerous patient care areas, and improvements to the tower's structural and mechanical systems.

** \$2.9 million to equip a new Instruction and Research facility on the La Jolla campus which will house several campus departments and provide additional lecture halls, laboratories and rehearsal studios.

** \$2.5 million to increase and improve the chilled water system of the campus, to keep pace with campus growth.

** \$2.5 million to renovate Urey Hall and the Applied Physics and Mathematics buildings. The renovations will enable similar academic and research units now housed throughout campus to consolidate and share laboratories and equipment.

** \$1.5 million to plan a new \$48 million sciences building for the Revelle College area of campus. The expansion will enable the departments of biology and chemistry to accommodate major enrollment and program growth in their popular undergraduate and graduate programs. The building will provide more laboratory and office space plus permit greater consolidation of the departments, thus lowering their operating and equipment purchase costs.

** \$1 million to prepare working drawings for a major addition to the Central Library, a consolidation of the Central and Science and Engineering libraries, and other renovations to improve the operating efficiency of this major campus and community resource.

** \$608,000 to equip UCSD's new International Relations and Pacific Studies graduate school; \$404,000 for plans and drawings to renovate and structurally strengthen the Undergraduate Sciences Building; and \$59,000 for working drawings to improve the handicapped access of areas and facilities throughout campus.

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