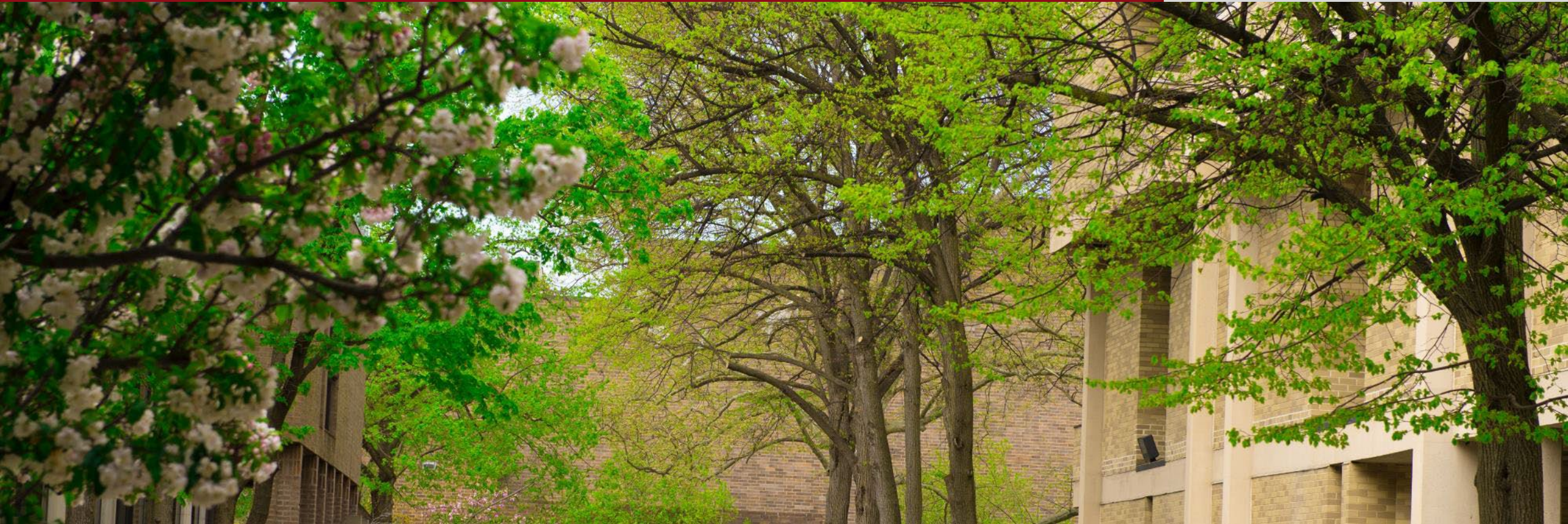


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Before we begin

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We are recording. Attendees have been placed on mute.



We will address questions throughout the meeting.



If you have questions for the presenters, please use the Q&A function.



Meet the Presenter

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J. Michael Gower

**Executive Vice President-Chief Financial Officer
& University Treasurer**

Mike is the Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer & University Treasurer at Rutgers where he leads financial management and planning, procurement, and strategic administrative system initiatives. As part of his role at Rutgers, Gower was responsible for the financial integration of former units of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) into the university.

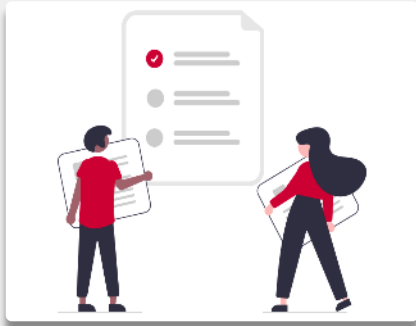
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Higher Education Trends: Financial Sustainability

University Finance and Administration

Guiding Principles and Values

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Support & Collaboration



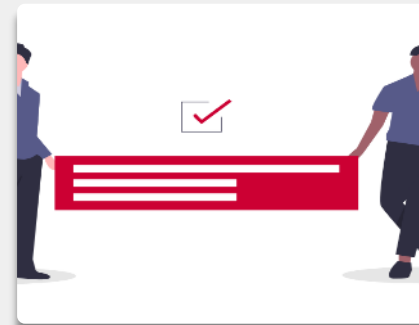
Understanding & Trust



How We Work



Strategic Alignment



Accountability



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TRENDS IN HIGHER EDUCATION
Financial Sustainability

J. Michael Gower

SYSTEM UPDATE
Introducing Concur
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Maggie Quinn
Lauren Ruiz

BUDGET UPDATE
Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

David B. Moore

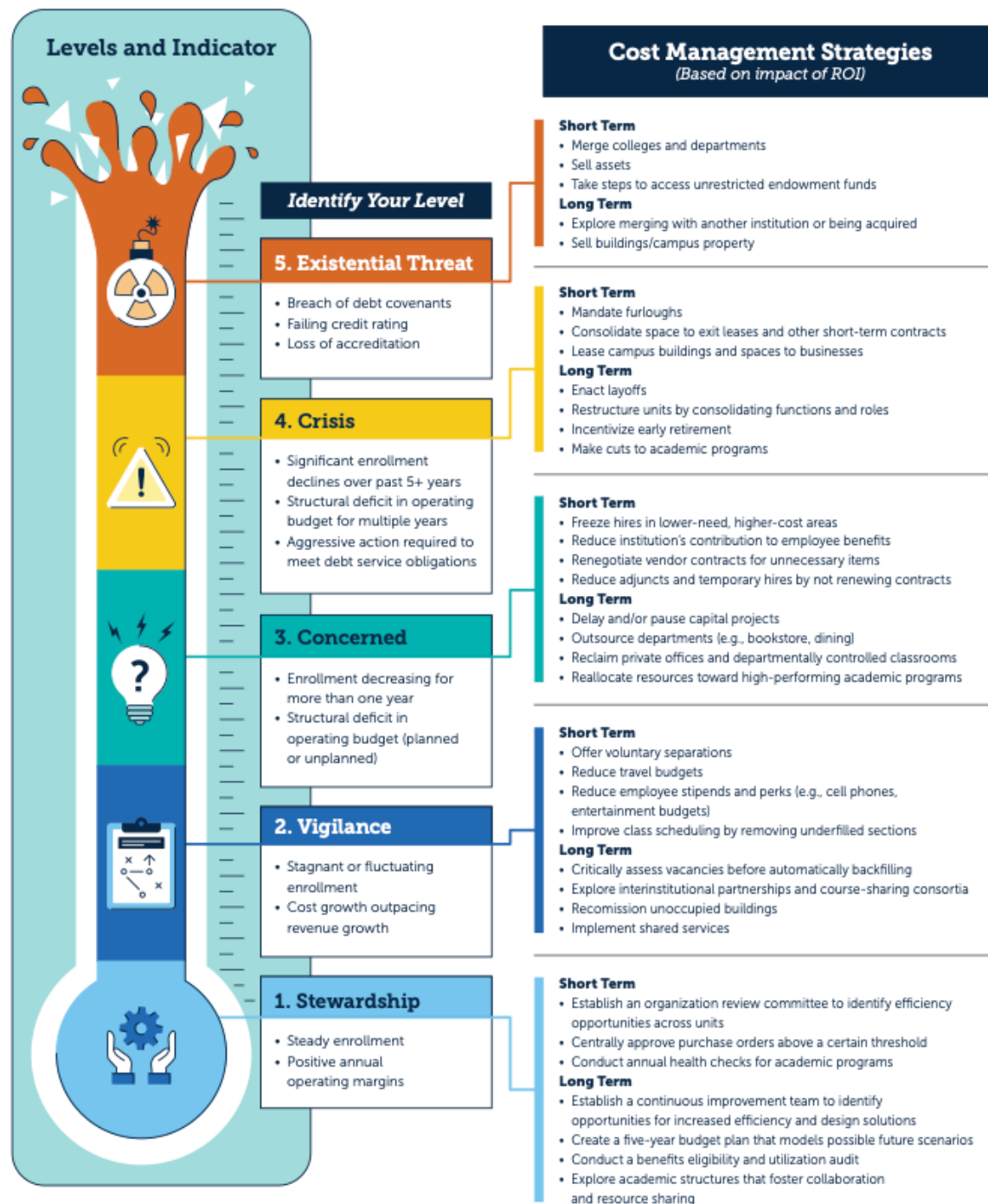
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Q&A
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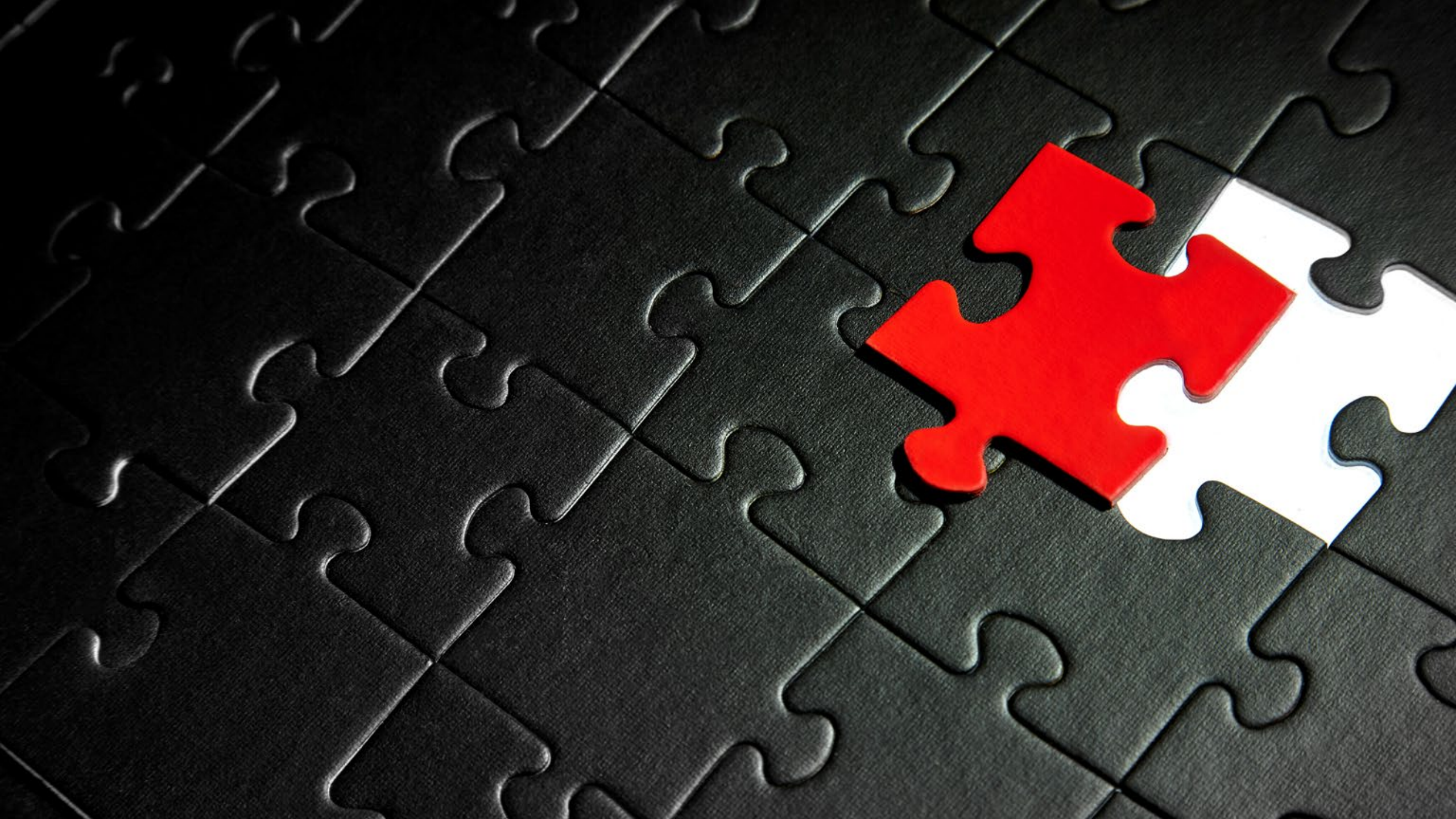
All presenters

Trends in Higher Education

The five levels of financial performance

to guide proactive planning in higher education





An iceberg floating in a blue ocean under a blue sky with white clouds. The visible tip of the iceberg is on the left, and the much larger, submerged portion is on the right, illustrating the concept of a structural deficit where the visible part is only a fraction of the total problem.

Structural deficit

Organization and program inefficiencies
Internal and external competition
Evolving workforce expectations
Changing market expectations
Shifting enrollment patterns
On-going inflation pressure
Under-optimized assets
One-time funding
Cost of benefits
Compensation
Duplication



Introducing a financial strategy for Rutgers

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Financial Strategy



RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY POLICY

40.1.4 Financial Strategy

Section Title: Financial Management
Approval Authority: President
Responsible Office(s): Off. of Administration & Finance
Responsible Executive(s): Exec. V.P. – Chief Financial Officer & University Treasurer
Adopted Date: 06/20/2024
Reviewed Date:
Contact Information:

1. Policy Statement

Rutgers University will operate in a financially sustainable and responsible manner, optimizing resources to secure long-term viability and success.

2. Reason for Policy

The Financial Strategy aims to establish a high level of financial capacity and stability for Rutgers University that enables it to fulfill its mission and sustain operations into the future. This requires prudent resource management to ensure long-term financial health and to uphold public accountability. This Strategy lays the groundwork for achieving these goals.

3. Who Should Read This Policy

The Financial Strategy should be read by leaders and managers throughout the university.

4. Resources

Financial performance metrics

Operating margin

Debt service coverage

Operating philanthropic support

Credit agency rating

Days cash on hand

Intergenerational equity

Spendable cash and investments to debt

Internal bank solvency

Capital renewal ratio



Meet the Presenter

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Maggie Quinn

Associate Vice President of Procurement and
Chief Procurement Officer

Maggie shapes the vision, mission, and strategy for University Procurement Services (UPS), a division in University Finance and Administration. She oversees strategic procurement programs and ensures that UPS maintains exceptional customer service practices and efficient procure-to-pay systems to support the needs of the both internal and external partners.

On the Agenda

Introducing Concur Travel and Expense



SYSTEM UPDATE

Introducing Concur
Travel & Expense

Travel, by the numbers

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Snapshot of travel activity at Rutgers

Types of expenses

Rutgers business travel

Travel-related expenses

Funding sources

University travel card

Reimbursement of personal funds

17K

Air tickets

\$9.6M

Air ticket spend

2,350

Rail tickets

\$350K

Rail spend

4,200

Car rentals

\$200K

Car rental spend

Approximate figures displayed

Card Services, by the numbers

15

Snapshot of card-related activities

Types of cards

Purchasing cards

600

Purchasing cards

\$11M

Purchasing card
spend

Travel cards

400

Travel cards

\$20M

Travel card
spend

Fuel cards

330

Fuel cards

\$320K

Fuel card
spend

Approximate figures displayed

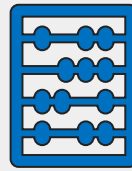
Expense Reports, by the numbers

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\$10.5M

Amount
reimbursed



20,800

Expense
reports



4,000

Audited
reports

Approximate figures displayed

Concur Travel and Expense unifies the online booking tool with expense management

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Travel Booking Tool

Adopted in 2022

Enabled online booking

24/7 customer service

Insights for units

Traveler care

Integration with loyalty programs

Concur Expense Tool *(replaces Oracle Expense)*

Launched July 1, 2024

Integrated access to pre-travel steps, travel booking, and expense reporting

Simplified expense reimbursement processes

Pre-populated expense reports for added convenience

Streamlined management of university cards, including the elimination of the need for journal entries

Mobile-friendly systems for on-the-go management



Meet the Presenter

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Lauren Ruiz

Travel Operations Manager

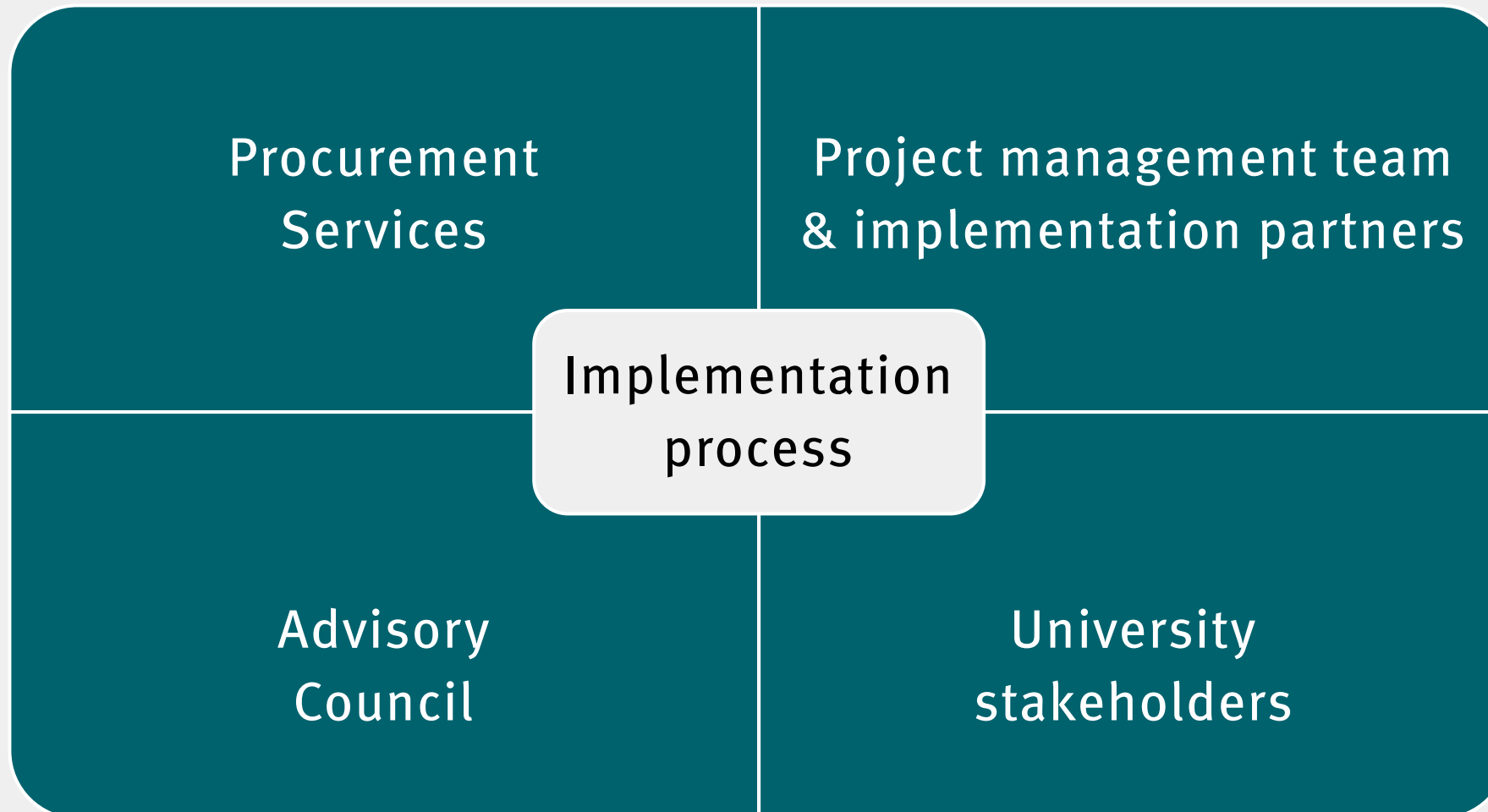
Lauren has worked in the travel industry for 14 years most recently with American Express Centurion. She joined Rutgers in January of this year and manages the University travel program. She also led the implementation of Concur Expense.

On the Agenda

Introducing Concur Travel and Expense

Concur Expense Implementation

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Concur Expense: Key Travel Features

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Pre-trip Approval

Required travel authorization requests now can be completed online in Concur when booking air, Amtrak, hotel, or car rental.



Personal Car Mileage

The new system automatically calculates the appropriate reimbursement rate for personal car travel, eliminating the need for uploading supporting documentation.



Per Diem Calculation

When incorporating a travel allowance into planning, users can automatically estimate a value tailored to their trip, based on duration and destination.

Create New Request ✕

* Required field

Request Type *

*Rutgers-General Travel ▼

Trip Name *

Trip Type *

None Selected ▼

Business Purpose *

None Selected ▼

Business Travel Start Date *

MM/DD/YYYY 

Business Travel End Date *

MM/DD/YYYY 

Main Destination City *

▼

Main Destination Country/Region *

Search by Country/Region ▼

Will this trip include personal travel? *

None Selected ▼

Personal Travel Dates

Project.Task *

(Not applicable) Not Applicable ✕ ▼

Cancel

Create Request

Pre-trip Approval (travel authorization requests)

Travelers must prepare and submit a travel request in advance of Rutgers business travel. In Concur, all pertinent information can be easily added, including appropriate charging instructions and flexibility for incorporating personal travel, when applicable.

Mileage Calculator

☐ Avoid Tolls ☐ Avoid Highways

Waypoints

A 77 Water St, Staten Island, NY 10304 21.7 MI
B LaGuardia Airport (LGA), Queens, NY 22.1 MI
C 77 Water St, Staten Island, NY 10304
D

☐ Personal ☐ Personal

Calculate Route

Directions

81 Water St, Staten Island, NY 10304, USA
21.7 mi. About 49 mins

1. Head northwest on Beach St toward Union Pl 240 ft
2. Sharp right onto Union Pl 341 ft
3. Turn right onto Bay St 1.6 mi
4. Turn right onto School Rd 0.3 mi
5. Slight left onto Livy Pond Ave 0.3 mi

TOTAL PERSONAL 0.0 MI TOTAL BUSINESS 43.8 MI

Map



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Add Mileage to Expense Cancel

Personal car mileage calculations

Travelers can calculate reimbursement for mileage and add it to an expense report directly in the system, eliminating the need for calculating separately and uploading backup documentation into the system.

Travel Allowance ✕

Adjustments

Here you can declare any free meals received to reduce your daily allowance. You can also claim additional allowances, for example if you stayed overnight with friends or family. Days can be excluded from your trip, for example if you are on personal leave. Always refer to your company policy guidelines.

View: **Adjustments** ▼ [Show Filters](#)

Date/Location	Exclude Day	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Lodging	Reimbursement Amount 🌐
All Days Dates: 4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Mon, 04/15/2024 Orlando, UNITED STATES	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	\$48.00
Tue, 04/16/2024 Orlando, UNITED STATES	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	\$64.00
Wed, 04/17/2024 Orlando, UNITED STATES	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	\$64.00
Thu, 04/18/2024 Orlando, UNITED STATES	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	\$48.00
						Total: \$224.00

Travel Allowance (per diem) calculations

By adding a departure and arrival destination and the dates of travel, Concur users can easily estimate their eligible per-diem allowance that aligns to location-specific rates and university policy.

Concur Expense: Key Card Features

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New Card Requests

Applications for **university cards** and **travel cards** can now be completed within Concur.



Changes & Adjustments

Changes to **card limits**, temporary **overrides**, and **corrections** to account for accidental, personal charges can be managed within the system.



Cancel, Close, Reinstate

When needed, staff can **cancel**, **close**, or even **reinstate** a university or travel card from within the Concur system.

Concur Expense: Learn More!

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Available resources

Live & pre-recorded training

Job aids and manuals

Office hour sessions

Frequently asked questions

Procedures manual & university policy (40.1.4)

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Live training
sessions

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Open office hour
sessions

2,711

Participants
in June-July
trainings

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Upcoming live
trainings



Questions & Comments



Meet the Presenter

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David B. Moore

Vice President for Financial Planning and Analytics
– Chief Budget Officer

David and his team develop and implement comprehensive financial strategies that support the mission, strategic plan, and core academic and administrative objectives of Rutgers. He provides universitywide leadership and broad strategic oversight of financial planning, budgeting, and data analytics.

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Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

FY 2025 Budget

Total University Budget

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Rutgers' annual budget reflects the values of the university in fulfilling its core priorities of outstanding teaching, research, service, and healthcare, while providing the best academic and research experience for our students.

The University's \$5.6 billion budget is a statement of our priorities and values that take steps to preserve access and affordability.

Total University Spending

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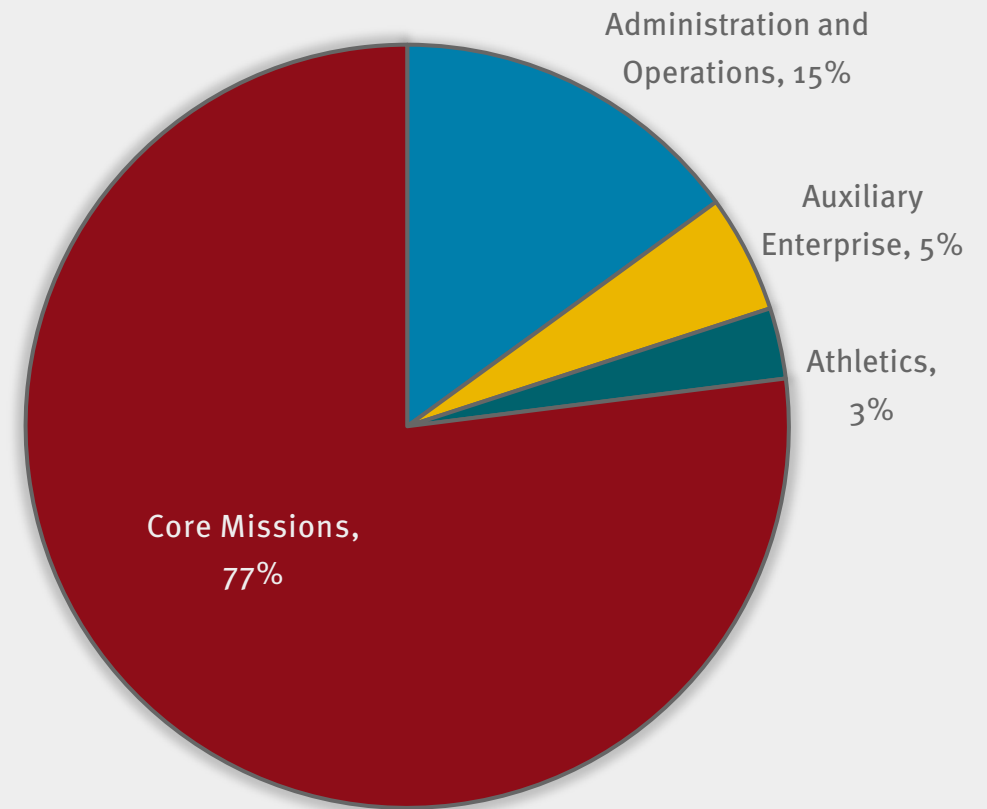
Total FY25 budget: **\$5.6 billion**

77% of the budget is spent on our core missions of student instruction, research, public service, and healthcare

15% is spent on administration, operations, and maintenance

5% is spent on auxiliary enterprise (housing, dining, and parking operations)

3% is spent on Athletics



Total University Spending

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The **77%** spent on “core missions” includes:

Classroom instruction and academic support (33%) – faculty compensation and staff support for academic units, libraries, and deans’ offices

Student services and scholarships (11%) – financial aid, admissions, and social and cultural events

Sponsored research and other sponsored programs (12%) – funds spent on research associated with federal, state, and nongovernmental grants and contracts

Public service, extension and healthcare (21%) – agricultural extension programs, delivery of health care, support for health clinics, and community services provided throughout the state

Total University Spending

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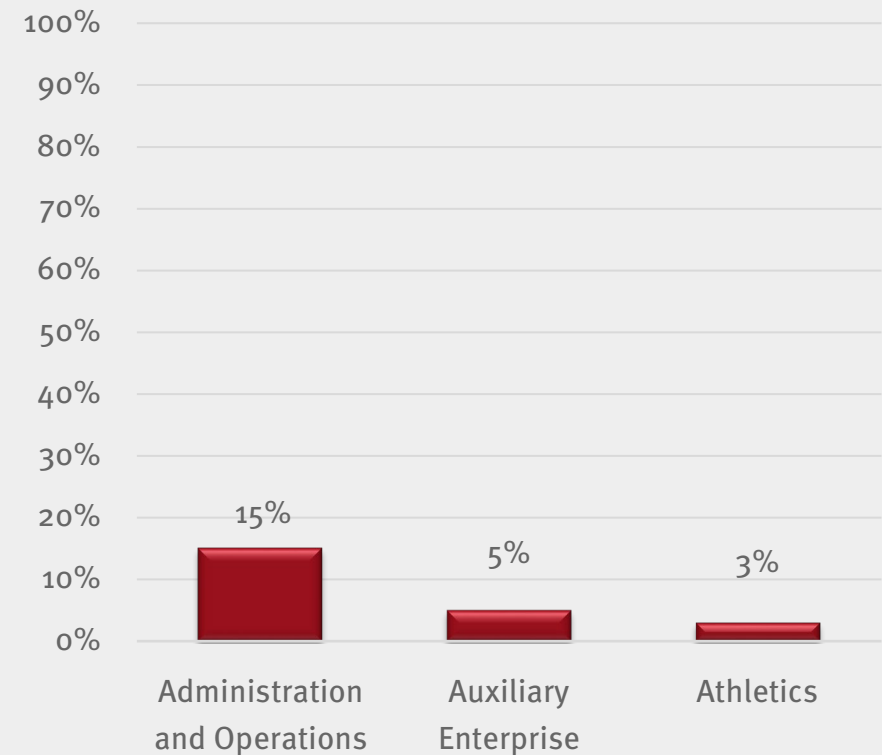
The remaining sections of the budget are:

Administration and Operations (15%) - support for central administrative offices and for Rutgers facilities, including upkeep and utilities costs.

Auxiliary Enterprise (5%) - housing and dining operations, parking, and transportation costs.

Athletics (3%) - 24 Division 1 programs within Rutgers–New Brunswick.

It is important to note that nearly three-quarters of this amount is supported through funds generated by Rutgers Athletics.





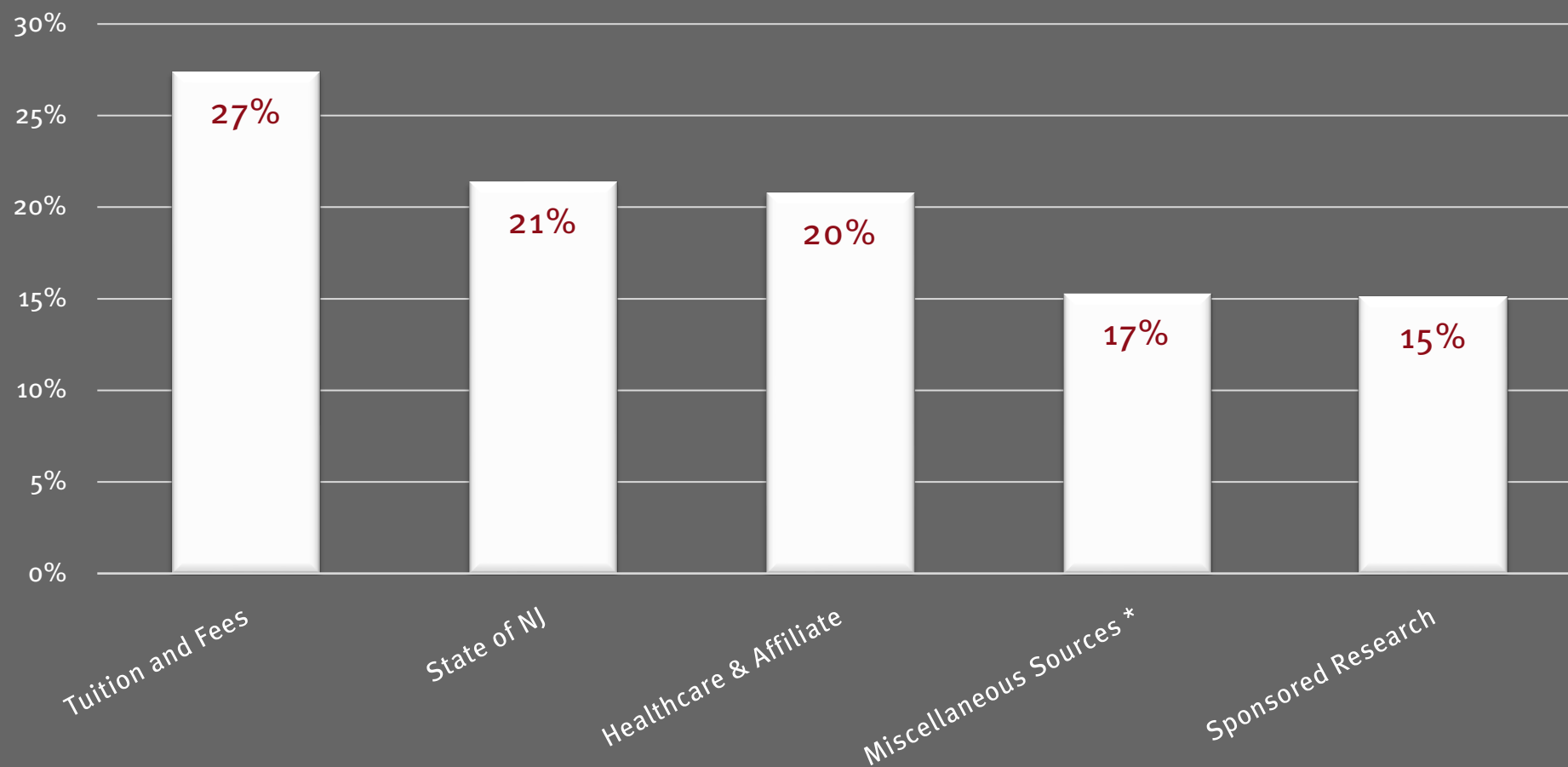
Upward pressure on costs

- Negotiated salary increases and associated fringe benefits
- Fringe Benefit increases for rising health care premiums and pension contributions
- Need-based student financial aid
- Inflationary pressures: supplies, travel, operating expenses, etc.

Total University Revenue

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Where does the funding come from? That, too, is a statement of institutional values.



* Miscellaneous Sources primarily includes Auxiliary Enterprise, Student Aid, Athletics, Gifts and Contribution, and Endowment and Investment Income.

Tuition and Fees

Rutgers remains among the **most affordable** major public research universities.

The FY 2025 budget includes a 4% increase in tuition and a 4% increase in mandatory fees for most undergraduate and graduate programs.

For a typical undergraduate arts and sciences student who is a New Jersey resident, these increases will equate, on average, to an increase of \$274 per semester for tuition and \$63 for mandatory fees.

Keeping Rutgers Accessible & Affordable



A high priority is keeping Rutgers affordable by providing our students with institutional student aid, qualifying for state and federal aid, and through grant programs.

Last year, 75% of Rutgers undergraduates received some form of financial aid.



BRIDGING THE GAP

Rutgers–Camden

RU-N TO THE TOP

Rutgers–Newark

SCARLET GUARANTEE

Rutgers–New Brunswick

Overview

Programs designed to make college more accessible and affordable, offering “last dollar” financial aid for students

Complements New Jersey’s *Garden State Guarantee*

Each program consists of three funding tiers:

	Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)	Out-of-Pocket Cost
Tier 1	\$0-\$65,000	\$0
Tier 2	\$65,001-\$80,000	No more than \$3,000
Tier 3	\$80,001-\$100,000	No more than \$5,000

Rutgers strives to provide an affordable, high-quality education for students and achieve academic and research excellence.

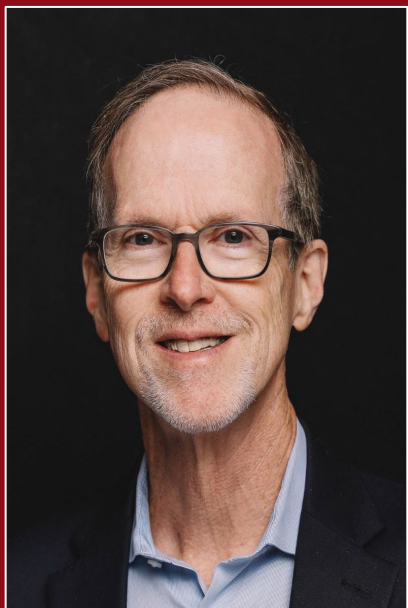
Financial sustainability is a strategic imperative and the best path forward.



Questions & Comments

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Thank you!



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office hours via Zoom

Controller's Office reporting
10:30 am - 11:10 am

Accounting and Cost Analysis
11:15 am - 11:55 am

Purchasing and Accounts Payable
12:00 pm - 12:40 pm

Travel, Cards, and Expense Reporting
12:45 pm - 1:25 pm

Budget Office
1:30 pm-2:10 pm

Research Financial Services
2:15-2:55 pm