



FY22 CAPITAL BUDGET TESTIMONY

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SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

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Sen. Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair

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Del. Ben Barnes, Chair



FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

Ronald Nowaczyk, President

Good Afternoon Chairman Barnes and Chairman Peters. Thank you for the opportunity to brief you on our capital projects. First and foremost, we are grateful to the Governor for including in the capital budget the remaining \$46.7 million for the Education and Health Sciences Center, which is currently under construction. We concur with your analyst's recommendation to approve this funding.

On average, FSU has the oldest buildings among the institutions in the USM. Almost 50% of our academic square footage is in buildings built or renovated in the 1960s or '70s. Only three academic buildings have been built in the past 40 years: Pealer Performing Arts Center (1993), Compton Science Center (2003), and the Gira Center for Communications and Information Technology (2014), soon to be followed by the Education and Health Sciences Building (2022). Brownsville Residence Hall, our first new residence hall in 44 years, was completed for the Fall 2020 opening.

FSU'S BUILDINGS AT A GLANCE

| Academic Building | Year Constructed |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Old Main | 1902 |
| Lowndes Hall | 1950 |
| Pullen Hall | 1959 |
| Gunter Hall | 1960 |
| Framptom Hall | 1965 |
| Dunkle Hall | 1969 |
| Fine Arts | 1969 |
| Ort Library | 1976 |
| PE Center | 1978 |
| Guild Center (remodeled) | 1986 |
| Performing Arts Center | 1993 |
| Compton Science Center | 2003 |
| Gira Center | 2014 |



Design for Education & Health Sciences Center.

EDUCATION & HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Existing space for education programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels, currently housed in part of an adapted library building built in 1965, is not able to accommodate adaptations to current technology, nor can the building be expanded. We believe our current facilities will not meet the future expectations of accrediting bodies. It is essential that we provide our teacher education students the opportunity to benefit from the new technologies that are transforming the landscape of education.

In the health sciences, our Bachelor of Science in Nursing completion program, which earned accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in 2012, is our fastest-growing program on the campus, enrolling 424 undergraduate students (fall 2020). We awarded the third-highest number of BSN degrees in the USM. We began an onsite BSN program in

fall of 2018. Our Master of Science in Nursing enrolled 77 (fall 2020) in its four concentrations – Family Practice Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric & Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, Leadership & Management, and Education. In addition, FSU has a Bachelor of Science in Health Science program, which began in fall 2016 and enrolled 149 by fall of 2020. Our plan over the next five years is to develop a Bachelor of Nutrition and Wellness and a Doctorate in Nurse Practice. We are also examining the workforce need for a Master of Public Health and a Master of Health Care Administration.

This building, along with the academic programs it will house, will allow FSU to build a focus and reputation in rural health care. It will allow us to partner with regional health care providers to focus on applied research and applications of medicine and health care in a rural environment, including the expansion of telehealth.

The design of the building began in 2018 by Ayers Saint Gross. The 95% construction design was submitted for approval on March 20, 2020. Barton Mallow is the construction management at-risk company and is scheduled to complete the building for the beginning of the 2022 fall semester.

SHOVEL-READY PROJECT

As Mr. Klein also noted in his analysis, Frostburg State University will be using its share of the System's funds for "shovel-ready projects" to replace the roof on Gunter Hall — which houses our Department of Geography and part of our Department of Biology — for \$437,000.

LOOKING AHEAD

Frostburg State University, which updated its facilities master plan in 2018, continues to carefully consider our facility needs to be prepared to respond to academic, regional economic development, maintenance, and health and safety matters. We also want to be nimble to respond to opportunities as they arise and, of course, we are preparing for the next transformative campus project.

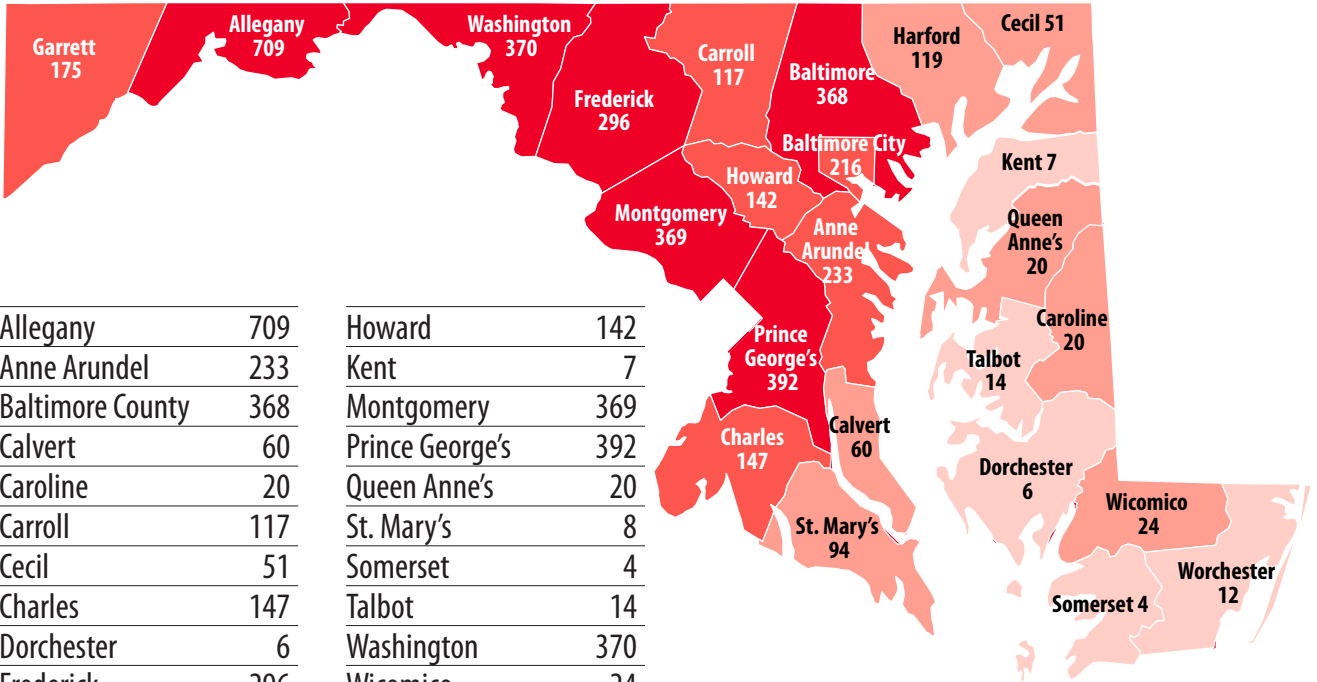
Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and I urge you to support the Governor's budget for Frostburg State University.





ADDITIONAL DATA

Student Enrollment by Maryland County Fall 2020



| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| Allegany | 709 | Howard | 142 |
| Anne Arundel | 233 | Kent | 7 |
| Baltimore County | 368 | Montgomery | 369 |
| Calvert | 60 | Prince George's | 392 |
| Caroline | 20 | Queen Anne's | 20 |
| Carroll | 117 | St. Mary's | 8 |
| Cecil | 51 | Somerset | 4 |
| Charles | 147 | Talbot | 14 |
| Dorchester | 6 | Washington | 370 |
| Frederick | 296 | Wicomico | 24 |
| Garrett | 175 | Worcester | 12 |
| Harford | 119 | Baltimore City | 216 |

Maryland Residents 3,965

78%

Maryland Residents

ADDITIONAL DATA

Number of Students in Majors to be Housed in the New Education & Health Sciences Center by Maryland County

Fall 2020

| Maryland County | Athletic Training (B) | Early Child./Elem Ed (B) | EdLeadership EdD | Education MED (M) | Ed Leadership Cert (D) | Elementary Ed (B) | Elementary Ed (M) | Elem/Middle Sch (B) | Secondary Ed (M) | Exercise & Sport Sci (B) | Health Science (B) | Nursing (B) | Nursing (M) | Total |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|
| Allegany | 1 | 23 | 14 | 47 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 17 | 30 | 21 | 14 | 201 |
| Anne Arundel | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 9 | 10 | 33 | 4 | 71 |
| Balt County | | 11 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | 4 | 1 | 19 | 8 | 68 | 7 | 124 |
| Calvert | | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | | 2 | 2 | 3 | | 16 |
| Caroline | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 2 | | 3 |
| Carroll | | 6 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | 2 | | 32 | 7 | 55 |
| Cecil | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Charles | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | 3 | | 3 | | 4 | 7 | 10 | | 32 |
| Dorchester | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Frederick | | 12 | 8 | 12 | | 4 | 6 | 7 | | 12 | 8 | 71 | 6 | 146 |
| Garrett | 1 | 12 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 12 | 6 | 60 |
| Harford | | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 1 | 4 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 34 |
| Howard | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | 5 | 5 | 13 | 4 | 37 |
| Kent | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | 3 |
| Montgomery | | 11 | 3 | 5 | | | 1 | 4 | | 16 | 15 | 34 | 6 | 95 |
| Prince Georges | 3 | 6 | 4 | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | | 26 | 16 | 10 | 8 | 77 |
| Queen Annes | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 6 |
| St. Marys | | 2 | | | | 1 | | | | 5 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 18 |
| Somerset | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Talbot | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Washington | 1 | 37 | 12 | 63 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 39 | 4 | 195 |
| Wicomico | | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Worcester | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 4 |
| Baltimore City | | 1 | 4 | | | 1 | | 2 | | 8 | 10 | 25 | | 51 |

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