

Stony Brook
Academic Equipment Replacement
Impact of Proposed Executive Budget Reductions
2009-10

Academic Equipment Replacement expenses fall in three broad categories: teaching laboratories on West Campus; Health Sciences Center laboratories and instructional equipment, and classrooms (desks, supplies, and teaching technology - i.e., electronics)

For the last three years, the expenses in each of the categories have been:

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West Campus teaching labs	\$ 300,000	\$ 575,000
Health Sciences labs and equipment	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Classrooms	\$ 75,000	\$ 225,000

Both the amounts and reasons for the expenditures vary from year to year as needs arise. The undergraduate teaching labs (Biology, Chemistry, Engineering and Physics) accommodate thousands of students each year. Our classrooms, of course, accommodate 15,000 U/G students per year. The ability to replace worn equipment, to upgrade and modernize equipment is necessary to maintain our teaching standard as a SUNY Research University Center and as a member of the 60 institution American Association of Universities.

The Governor's Executive Budget proposes a 50% cut to this important resource.