

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Can Vuran, Chair, Academic Planning Committee

FROM: Rodney D. Bennett, Chancellor

DATE: November 8, 2023

SUBJECT: Budget Reduction Proposals

Dear Dr. Vuran and Members of the Academic Planning Committee,

As required by the procedures for significant budget reductions, I am providing the APC a specific plan for reducing UNL's budget. This plan has taken into account APC's feedback received during the process thus far. The reductions proposed here are consistent with the priorities of the university's strategic plan and the governance rules of the university and its organizational units.

REDUCTION	AMOUNT
Instructional Efficiency - Units across campus will employ measures to increase instructional efficiency while reducing instructional costs.	\$2,014,733
Operational Efficiency Opportunities will be identified to increase efficiencies in the job families of IT, Facilities, Communications, Business Services, and Student Success. The Zero-Based Budget exercise currently being completed will inform these decisions.	\$1,443,870



Diversity & Inclusion - UNL's Office of Diversity & Inclusion will be restructured to primarily support university-wide priorities and initiatives with a greater focus on DEI efforts occurring at the college and unit level.	\$800,000
Undergraduate Education & Student Success - Reduction of state-aided programming.	\$460,000
Student Affairs - Reduce state-aided budget.	\$139,496
Research & Economic Development - Reduce state-aided budget.	\$194,315
Administrative Costs - Reduce administrative positions, pools, and stipends across the university.	\$2,907,281
Executive Vice Chancellor Units - EVC state-aided budget rebasing and reductions.	\$2,890,305
IANR Units - IANR state-aided budget rebasing, reductions, and reorganizations.	\$1,150,000