



UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

FY2026 Operating Budget Development Narrative Prompts

[UW Bothell]

OPERATING BUDGET PROPOSAL NARRATIVE PROMPTS DUE 2/24/2025

Programmatic & Academic Vitality Narrative

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Where possible, you are encouraged to leverage published materials already created

- 1) Please list your operating budget priorities for the upcoming period (bullet format) and how your campus/unit is aligning available resources with strategic programmatic goals and university initiatives (e.g. Diversity Blueprint, Population Health, etc). *Word Limit: 500*

Our budget priorities focus on supporting the UW Bothell Husky experience, both in and out of the classroom, for our diverse student population. The pillars of our current strategic plan include enhancing campus and community engagement, advancing cross-disciplinary teaching and scholarship, and strengthening diversity and equity, as well as continuing our longstanding commitment to environmental sustainability. We are beginning a new strategic planning process this academic year.

Key budget priorities for the upcoming year include:

- Investing in our student success efforts, including peer to peer mentorship, career preparation, experiential learning, and constructive dialogue programming. Led by our Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, our long-standing work on constructive dialogue expands to faculty and staff in our effort to create a more inclusive and equitable environment for all (and in alignment with the Diversity Blueprint). Constructive dialogue is also embedded in our work with student peer advisors and orientation leaders.
- Supporting campus and community engagement efforts, both for our new residential student population and our commuting students. This aligns with our tri-campus work on community engagement and the Carnegie Classification as well as important strategic efforts to support faculty and staff engagement (for example, through our work with Gallup).
- Supporting our outstanding faculty. Over the last biennium we made investments in our faculty and the division of academic affairs, including the establishment of the Office of Faculty Success, led by an associate vice chancellor of faculty success. These remain key priorities. Our faculty hiring plan includes a modest number of faculty hires in critical academic areas.
- Continued support of our first-year and pre-major programs, as we continue to provide academic and other resources for the growing number of students who begin their higher education experience at Bothell. This aligns with the priority to enhance the UW Bothell Husky experience and the strengthening of cross-disciplinary teaching and learning for our incoming students.
- Supporting growth of our advancement team and philanthropic efforts in preparation for UW's next comprehensive fundraising campaign.
- Investing in the work of enrollment management, including efforts to expand our graduate enrollments through a contract with EAB and through support of graduate advisors in the schools.
- Continued investment in the maintenance and upkeep of our physical plant, including improved classroom technology to accommodate multiple modes of teaching and learning, and renovation of the space in LB2 (vacated by the University Bookstore) to provide enhanced space for commuter students along with several other student-facing services. This investment aligns with our capital planning strategic initiative to cluster student support services along the promenade so that they are more easily accessed by students.



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Required Budget Development Consultative Process Summary – Faculty, Staff and Students

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-- If specific questions are not applicable to your unit, simply indicate n/a --

Consultation with your elected faculty councils, student councils and unit/campus staff, regarding your unit's/campus's budget proposal materials, including your proposed FY26 operating budget, narrative responses, tuition rate recommendations and fee-based rate recommendations are an important and necessary component of the UW's budget development process. Your responses to the questions below will be documented and included as part of the FY26 operating budget development review materials provided to Executive Leadership of the UW.

PLAN NOW to ensure that all unit/campus review and consultative processes are completed by the February 24, 2025 due date.

- 1) Please indicate the date that FACULTY leadership within your unit/campus was consulted and provided the opportunity to provide input as part of this budget planning exercise
February 18, 2025
- 2) Please list a point of contact for your FACULTY leadership (name and UW email address).
Professor Linda Watts; Chair, GFO; ls watts@uw.edu
- 3) Please indicate the date that STUDENT leadership within your unit/campus was consulted and provided the opportunity to provide input as part of this budget planning exercise.
February 19, 2025
- 4) Please list a point of contact for your STUDENT leadership (name and UW email address).
ASUWB President - Fernanda Armas asuwbprs@uw.edu
- 5) Please discuss how you involved campus or unit staff in the consultative process.
We do not have a formal staff consultative process, but campus staff were closely involved in the process of developing the FY26-FY30 budgets along with unit leadership.
- 6) Since submission of your tuition and/or fee-based rate recommendations on January 24, 2025, has your campus or unit received any additional feedback from students? If so, please summarize here.
None received