

Request: \$10 Million in College Mission Adjustment

2,083 - Total Students

Academic Departments

Chemical Engineering
Chemistry
Environmental Biology
Environmental Resource Engineering
Environmental Science
Environmental Studies
Landscape Architecture
Open Academy
Ranger School
Sustainable Resources Management

Undergraduate Population	1,733
Masters Degree Candidates	195
PHD Candidates	155

Our graduates are the workforce for:

New York State DEC (662 Current Employees)
New York State Office of Parks Recreation and
Historic Preservation
The Adirondack Park Agency
NYS Greenway
Tug Hill Commission

Operating Budget:	\$63.1 million
In State Tuition:	\$7,700
Out of State Tuition:	\$18,900

Tuition Revenue:	\$18.9 million
Tuition as % of Spending:	30%

Critical Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) Funding

- Climate and Applied Forest Research Institute (CAFRI) - **\$1 Million**
- Timbuctoo Summer Climate Program - **\$2.1 Million**
- Center For Native People's – **\$1.142 Million**
- Center For Sustainable Materials Management - **\$3 Million (Requested)**

The College of Environmental Science and Forestry is a 113-year-old research institution that is critical to advancing New York State's Climate Goals as enumerated in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

Given the seriousness of our mission as New York's leading Environmental Public Research institution, the College **requests restoration of the legislative Mission Adjustment in the amount of \$10 million.**

As a 100% Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) college, we are training and developing New York State's and the nation's future climate leaders in engineering, biology, resource management, policy, chemistry and landscape architecture.

Training future leaders in these hard sciences comes with a higher cost than traditional liberal arts education, particularly where a doctorate is offered. Course work is laboratory intensive, and classes are smaller.

Moreover, ESF was at one time a College within Syracuse University and remains inextricably linked to Syracuse University via systems, processes and most importantly via our long-standing accessory instruction agreement, which permits ESF and SU students to study at each institution as "natural" students rather than via transfer credits.

As a STEM college, we focus on experiential learning, leveraging our more than 25,000 acres of regional campuses and forests, which also bring with them extraordinary maintenance and operating expenses.

Historically, ESF was recognized as a specialized college, within SUNY, much like Cornell and Alfred Ceramics, and was compensated with a Mission Adjustment. Additional funds were targeted to offset the expense of accessory instruction and forest property management. We are seeking a restoration of this funding as our **Mission has never been more important and these resources will help to ensure we continue to produce the workforce New York State needs to address global climate change.**

2023/2024 Budget – Highlights

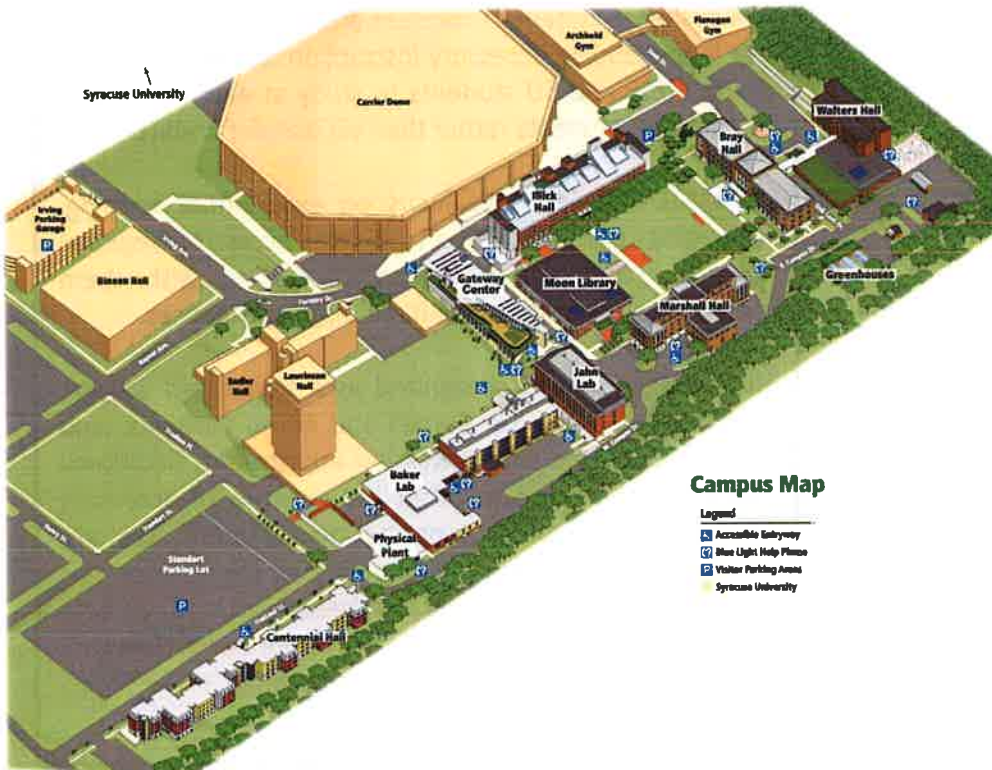
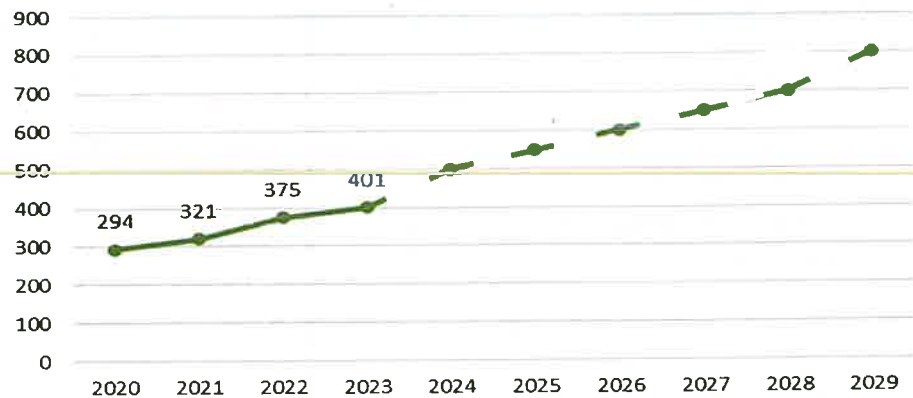
ESF's Mission is unique and critical to advancing New York State's aggressive and critically important climate goals and objectives .

	22-23 (Actual)	23-24 (Proposed)	
Beginning Cash Balance	(6,449,738)	(8,802,670)	Difference
Revenue	\$ 47,798,309	\$ 54,663,676	\$ 6,865,367
Expenses	\$ 56,385,103	\$ 63,095,655	\$ 6,710,551
Surplus/Deficit	<u>\$ (8,586,794)</u>	<u>\$ (8,431,978)</u>	<u>\$ 154,816</u>
Loan Proceeds	\$ 6,449,794	\$ (1,697,595)	
Cash Balance/Change	<u>\$ (2,137,061)</u>	<u>\$ (10,129,573)</u>	
Ending Cash Balance	\$ (8,802,670)	\$ (18,932,243)	

If ESF's current Out-Of-State students paid the Alfred Ceramics Out-of-State tuition (\$38,720), the College would generate:

\$8.6 Million in additional tuition revenue.

ESF First Year Enrollment/Projections



Regional Campuses/Forest Properties:

- Heiberg Memorial Forest – 3,800 acres
- Tully Field Station – 60 acres
- Lafayette Road Experiment Station – 20 acres
- Wanakena Campus/Dubar Forest – 2,800 acres
- Cranberry Lake Biological Station – 1,000 acres
- Newcomb Campus – 15,000 acres
- Pack Demonstration Forest – 2,500 acres
- Thousand Island Biological Station