


# Faculty Meeting

President's Report  
October 25, 2001



# Agenda

- Middle States Reaffirmation of Accreditation Site Visit
  - Update on FY 2001/2001 Budget
  - New York Times Magazine Article (10/7/01) on Emanuel Carter
  - Homeland Defense Research Topics
  - ESF Strategic Planning Update
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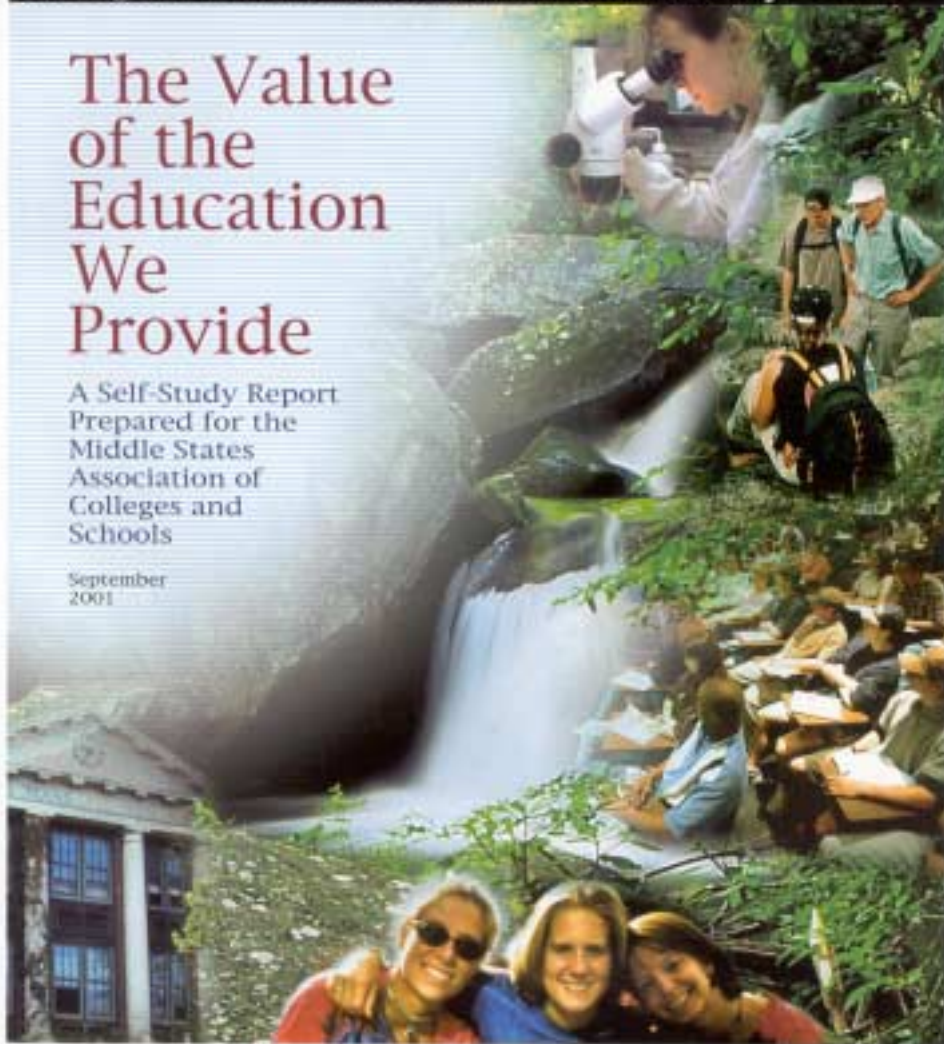


State University of New York  
College of Environmental Science and Forestry


## The Value of the Education We Provide

A Self-Study Report  
Prepared for the  
Middle States  
Association of  
Colleges and  
Schools

September  
2001



## Middle States Reaffirmation of Accreditation Site Visit



# Middle States Reaffirmation of Accreditation Site Visit -- 10/14-10/17/01

- We faired very well


- Comments from Chair (President) Saul Fenster

“You have a fine institution in ESF, a great platform to take it to the next level.”


“Your Visibility Initiative; ‘Daring to Dream’ Strategic Planning process; and addition of a Marketing Vice President are all important initiatives in the eyes of the site visitation team.”


“You have a fine faculty, bright and engaged students, supportive alumni, knowledgeable and supportive Board of Trustees and a dedicated staff.”





# Middle States Reaffirmation of Accreditation Site Visit -- 10/14-10/17/01

- We still have a lot to do! A significant number of issues were reaffirmed by the Site Evaluation Team.
    - Increased diversity of student body and faculty
    - Comprehensive approach toward administrative and academic computing
    - Greater emphasis in developing a sense of community
    - Need to see that the recently completed plan for outcomes based assessment is implemented
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# Middle States Reaffirmation of Accreditation Site Visit -- 10/14-10/17/01

- Expect a written report by November 14, 2001 and Reaffirmation of Accreditation by the Middle States Commission in March 2002
- Special thanks to Dean Bob Frey and Dr. Maureen Fellows

## Subcommittee Chairs:

Betsy Elkins

George Curry

Donald Leopold

Susan Senecah



# Update on FY 2001/2002 Budget

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) – Gov. George Pataki ordered state officials Tuesday to halt all hiring and cut all nonessential spending because of economic problems created by the World Trade Center attack.[PARA]Pataki said his order, including a refinancing of some state debt, was designed to save about \$3 billion over the next 18 months. Pataki budget aides have said the terrorist attacks could cost the state up to \$9 billion in lost revenue over the same period.[PARA]The state operates on an annual budget of more than \$80 billion.[PARA]The Republican governor also said he would ask state lawmakers to approve an early retirement plan. Aides said the hiring freeze and early retirement plan would cut 5,000 jobs from the state government work force of more than 190,000 people.[PARA]Pataki said he would try to avoid forced layoffs or tax increases, though he refused to rule out delaying some approved tax cuts scheduled to take effect over the next several years.[PARA]He also warned local governments and school districts that they shouldn't expect extra aid this year.[PARA]Pataki said that he had asked the federal government for a \$54 billion rebuilding and recovery aid package, \$20 billion of which has already been approved by Congress and President Bush.



# Downturn in Economy Threatens State Spending on Colleges


**Chronicle of Higher Education**  
**10/19/01**

Arizona – proposed 4% mid-year rescission in spending

Colorado – halted \$350M of campus construction

Generally mid-year rescission in the range of 1 to 7%

Louisiana Tech adopted an energy surcharge of \$7 per credit hour






# Preliminary Preview of 2001-02 Operating Budget w/2000-01 Base Year as Comparison

REVENUE	ESF Budget 2000-01 (as of 7/1/00)	ESF Budget Preview 2001-02 (as of 9/7/01)	ESF Budget 2001-02 (as of 10/23/01)
Base State Allocation	23,313.9	24,121.5	24, 121.5
Tuition Revenue	5,702.0	5,771.1	5,771.1
Interest and Fees Retained	158.5	146.0	146.0
Student Services Fee Revenue	300.0	300.0	300.0
Mission Review (Urban Initiative)	80.0	40.0	40.0
Council for Community Design Research	--	100.0	100.0
Legislative Member Items			
Great Lakes Research Consortium	100.0	100.0	0
Forestry R&D Center	250.0	250.0	0
Chestnut Research	150.0	150.0	0
Roosevelt Wild Life Station	275.0	350.0	0
Stabilization Fund Reserve	198.3	260.0	260.0
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUE</b>	<b>30,527.7</b>	<b>31,588.6</b>	<b>30,738.6</b>

EXPENSE	2000-01 (as of 7/1/00)	2001-02 (as of 9/7/01)	2001-02 (as of 10/23/01)
Personal Service Regular	17,934.8	18,668.1	18,514.8
Temporary Appointments	328.0	388.6	406.1
Temporary Service	173.8	173.8	173.8
Office Expenses, Equipment, etc. (Other Than Personal Service)	1,739.6	1,897.6	1,907.0
Graduate Stipends	609.2	609.2	609.2
Graduate Tuition Waivers	820.0	820.0	820.0
General Chemistry Labs (Graduate Assistants)	--	54.0	54.0
Financial Aid - Undergrad. (incl. Minority Scholarships)	315.0	386.2	386.2
Accessory Instruction (SU)	4,785.1	4,785.1	4,785.1
Utilities	1,868.1	2,280.4	2,280.4
Mail	277.4	250.0	250.0
Telephone	125.0	135.0	135.0
Computer Network/Infrastructure	100.0	80.0	50.0
Advertising/Visibility	50.0	50.0	45.0
Enrollment Management	--	30.0	0
Mission Review (Urban Initiative)	--	40.0	40.0
Council for Community Design Research	--	100.0	100.0
Legislative Member Items			
Great Lakes	100.0	100.0	0
Forestry R&D Center	250.0	250.0	0
Chestnut Research	150.0	150.0	0
Roosevelt Wildlife Station	275.0	350.0	0
Contingency	200.0	--	--
Commitments from Prior Year	40.0	182.0	182.0
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSE</b>	<b>30,140.9</b>	<b>31,780.0</b>	<b>30,738.6</b>
<b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>386.8</b>	<b>(191.4)</b>	<b>0</b>



“The marvelous richness of human experience would lose something of a rewarding joy if there were no limitations to overcome. The hilltop hour would not be half so wonderful if there were no dark valleys to traverse.”

*Helen Keller*



# The New York Times Magazine

October 7, 2001  
Section 6



EMANUEL CARTER

## Emanuel Carter

SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF)

Landscape architecture is not just about pretty gardens anymore. It's about human habitats. "Human beings are animals just like any

others," says Emanuel Carter, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Landscape Architecture. "And like other creatures, people tend to move on to where they can maximize their potential in terms of food and shelter." The aspirational adjective all cities want to achieve these days, he explains, is "sustainable"—environmentally, economically, aesthetically, recreationally and culturally in balance. For instance, if a young couple feels they need to move from a city to the suburbs so they can afford to raise their children in a pleasant home with good schools, it means that where they're currently living is flawed—a healthy habitat should be able to foster another generation.

Professor Carter's classes literally bring the academy to the streets. In his studios, he presents real-world community development problems for towns like Syracuse

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## GREAT COLLEGE TOWNS

"I could never  
have made a  
better career  
move than  
coming here  
16 years ago"

—EMANUEL CARTER

(SUNY ESF's hometown) and Philadelphia (where Professor Carter grew up) for his students to solve. Then they can present their ideas to the planning councils, with the potential to effect real change from their drawing boards. Perhaps the solution will be a new aesthetic code, or a new park building, or new tax incentives for developers to provide housing for low-income families and artists, or narrowing a street to make a downtown feel more intimate and less like an interstate strip.

"I could never have made a better career move than coming here 16 years ago," says Professor Carter. "The students and faculty are committed to making the world a better place. At the teachers you can see that these people stay as committed when they are 50 with gray hair as when they were 18. I know it sounds corny, but I really am as happy to wake up on Monday as on Friday to do my job."




Ontario County



# Homeland Defense Research Topics

## Homeland Defense Meeting

- Albany, 10/22 @ 3:00 pm – 5:45 pm
  - Campus capabilities with respect to:
    1. Biological/environmental threats
    2. Infrastructure threats (bridges, tunnels, buildings, etc.)/cyberterrorism
  - Representatives from:

HSC Syracuse	Binghamton engineering
HSC Brooklyn	Buffalo engineering
ESF	Stony Brook engineering
Morrisville	New Paltz
HS Stony Brook	Alfred engineering and material science
HS Buffalo	Albany
  - 18 Bills before Congress
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# SUNY


## Research & Development in the Area of Detection, Prevention and Remediation of Chemical and Biological Terrorism

- “Virtual Center of Excellence” *aka* SUNY Center for Domestic Preparedness
  - Focus on Research, Development, Education and Training
  - Immediate Aim on Detection, Identification, Response and Remediation of Acts of Terrorism
  - Formation of a “Domestic Security Research and Development Council”
    - Announced by the Governor
    - Headed up by Chancellor King
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# SUNY

## Research & Development in the Area of Detection, Prevention and Remediation of Chemical and Biological Terrorism

- ESF Focus on Protection of Municipal Water Supplies and protection of Tunnels, Subway Systems and Air Ventilation Systems
  - R&D Topics
    - Local and Remote Sensing and Alertment of Pathogens in Water
    - Polymer Templates for Bio-Screening of Micro-Organisms in Water
    - Local and Remote Sensing Applications of Airborne Pathogens
    - Laser Borne Hyper Spectral Detection of Airborne Toxins
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# ESF Strategic Planning Update

- 10/18/01 Status of Planning Reports Received to Date
    - 46 out of 54 received
    - Currently compiling issues on common basis
      - Faculty Requirements
      - Information/Dissemination
      - Entrepreneurial Needs
      - Conference Needs
      - Personnel
      - Cross- or Inter-Discipline
      - Unique Notes
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# ESF Strategic Planning Update

## ● Strategic Planning Council

- 12:00 pm – 4:15 pm, Friday, 11/2/01
- Alumni Lounge/Marshall Hall

## ● Summary

- Where We Are and What We've Learned
  - Future Search – Completion of College-wide Taking Stock
  - Creative Consensus – Generating ESF's Strategic Goals
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