

Part 6: General Fund (GF) Request: 2024-2026 Biennium
Institution Name

Instructions: Indicate items for which you anticipate making a request for state general fund in the 2024-26 biennium. The item can be a supplement to a strategy or item from the academic and financial plan or it can be a free-standing request for which no tuition revenue would be used. If it is a supplement to a strategy or item from the academic and financial plan, use the same title used in Part 4 and place it in bold print to draw attention to its connection to Part 6. Also, describe in the Notes column how additional general fund will enhance or expand the strategy. Requests for need-based financial aid appropriated in program 108 should be included here. If additional rows are added, please update the total costs formulas.

NOTE: In light of ongoing budget negotiations, please complete the template assuming only what has already been signed into law as the baseline 2022-23 and 2023-24 appropriation. In the event that a new budget results in additional funding for institutions in 2023-24, OpSix will provide guidance at that time on whether and how to modify or resubmit plans.

Priority Ranking	Strategies (Match Academic-Financial Worksheet Short Title)	Category (Select best option from dropdown menu)	Biennium 2024-2026 (7/1/24-6/30/26)				Notes/Explanation Please be brief; reference specific narrative question for more detail.
			2024-2025		2025-2026		
			Total Amount	GF Support	Total Amount	GF Support	
1	Deliver a distinctive and inclusive student experience that fosters lifelong engagement	Student Success					
	1a) Financial Aid		\$18,267,204	\$8,000,000	\$18,909,435	\$8,000,000	State Aid-10% annual increase over FY24 w/goal of moving towards meeting 100% of unmet need and extending MVP grants to all students who are Pell-eligible;1/3 of 5% tuition increase for add'l instit aid (Prog. 108 additional resources needed). See Section B; C1 & C2
	1b) Expand Access		\$2,365,000	\$1,182,500	\$2,365,000	\$1,182,500	1) Expand ADVANCE to more 2 yr instit-\$200K; 2) Scale up EIP-\$240K; 3) Launch pilot Direct Admissions to low income VA H.S. students-\$1.1M; 4) Expand Bachelors to Accel. Masters programs-\$300K;5) Increase online accessibility-\$525K- all 50% GF; See Sections B2 & C2.
	1c) Student Success Initiatives		\$20,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$16,800,000	\$13,400,000	1) New technologies (Salesforce)-consolidate into one platform \$10.2M FY25; \$3M-FY26;3) Integrated student support framework (advising; coaching; career)- Salesforce-\$800K; 4) one-stop shop shared services-\$1.5M; 5) Strengthen student wellbeing, mental health services-\$1.5M; (1-5 @ 50% GF) 6) Establish MasonWorks student employment program - \$6M FY25 ; \$10M-FY26 - 100% GF. See Section B2 & C2.
	1d) Unfunded Mandate-Virginia Military Survivors & Dependent Education Program		\$13,013,000	\$13,013,000	\$16,916,900	\$16,916,900	State support for VMSDEP tuition waivers & mandatory student fee waivers currently funded from reallocated tuition revenues (FY23-\$7.7M; Assume 30% annual increase given recent trends); See Section K1-Policy Change.
4	Expand the impact of Mason's research, scholarship, and creative enterprise	Research					See Section I1.
	4a)Support/ Infrastructure		\$9,850,000	\$9,850,000	\$3,850,000	\$3,850,000	Research compute: 1) Annual infrastructure refresh -\$1M/yr; 2) one-time server infrastructure replacement cost-\$6M (FY25); 3) Core Lab Mgrs-\$600K/yr; 4) Mgmt & student support-\$1.5M/yr; 5) Shared services operational support-\$750K/yr
	4b) Scholarship		\$2,750,000	\$2,750,000	\$2,750,000	\$2,750,000	Annual costs: Eminent Scholars (\$2M); Experiential Education-OSCAR (\$750K)
3	Expand partnerships for economic and social impact.	Economic Development	\$5,400,000	\$5,400,000	\$5,400,000	\$5,400,000	Annual costs: Coulter Program-Mason entrepreneurship training & support to commercialize Institute technology (\$4M); Small Business Development & Mason Enterprise Center Mentor funding (\$1.4M)
2	Invest in faculty and staff success	Cost efficiency					See Section D5.
	2a) Equitable Compensation		\$6,115,894	\$6,115,894	\$6,273,585	\$6,273,585	Variance to achieve 100% State match on 2% sal cost-share; address one-year compensation lag (See Section K1-Policy Change.)
	2b) Efficient systems, infrastructure, reduce manual processes		\$5,500,000	\$5,500,000	\$3,700,000	\$3,700,000	1) Reduce manual workflow-\$2M/yr; 2) New HR app tracking-\$1M/Yr1; \$200K/Yr 2 3) New identity mgmnt & access system-\$1M/Yr1; \$1.5M/Yr2 4) Budget Development & Planning Tool-\$1.5M-1x (NB: Salesforce in Strategy #1)
	2c) HEETF-Increased institutional support		\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	See Section E1.
			\$88,261,098	\$69,811,394	\$84,964,920	\$69,472,985	