Legislative Calendar At-A-Glance

January-December 2023: 1st Session | 118th Congress

May 5, 2023: Florida Session Adjourned

July 14, 2023: Fiscal Year 2024-2025 LBR Submission

September-December 2023: Florida Interim Committee Weeks

January 9, 2024: Florida Session Convenes

February 21, 2024: FAMU Day at the Capitol
### Florida Legislative Budget Allocations FY 2023-2024

**Elevating and Sustaining Student Success**

**$10 million Recurring**
- Increase graduation rates and first-time licensure pass rates.
- Increase undergraduates and post-graduates in Programs of Strategic Emphasis.
- Recruit, develop, and retain world-class faculty.
- Increase research productivity.

**Chemical & Biological Research Laboratory Center**

**$9.2 million**
- Position FAMU as a leader in research, healthcare education, and service.
- Increase research productivity for interdisciplinary research in STEM and health-related disciplines.
- Enhance cadre of competitive graduates for employment in high-need STEM disciplines.

**Peaden Education Center, Crestview, FL**

**$1.5 million Recurring**
- Since its beginning in 2012, the Peaden Campus has seen tremendous growth and retains students and faculty whose economic contribution to the Crestview community is approximately $1 million annually.
- Graduates contribute more than $10 million to the Panhandle economy.

**Howard Hall**

**$13.5 million**
- The completely renovated facility will support robust collaboration, learning, information dissemination, visualization, operations, mission support, and logistical coordination internally and externally with organizational partners.
FAMU Day at the Capitol

Not Enacted
## FY 2023-2024 Education Policy Proposals

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- Nursing Education Pathway | SB 274
  Approved by Governor on May 26, 2023

- Emergency Response Mapping Data | HB 301
  Approved by Governor on May 17, 2023

- Individual Education Plans | HB 19
  Approved by Governor on May 12, 2023

- Employee Organizations | SB 256
  Approved by Governor on May 9, 2023

- Technology in K-12 Public Schools | HB 379
  Approved by Governor on May 9, 2023

- Name, Image, and Likeness | HB 7
  Approved by the Governor on February 16, 2023

- Retirement | SB 7024
  Awaiting Approval

- Student Information Protection | SB 662
  Awaiting Approval
State Engagement
Federal Engagement
FY 2024 Federal Budget Priorities

Testimony of President Larry Robinson, Ph.D.

United States Senate
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies

Fiscal Year 2024 Funding for the Department of Education and Department of Health and Human Services

May 18, 2023

Chair Murray, Chair Baldwin, Vice Chair Collins, Ranking Member Moran, and Members of the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, thank you for the opportunity to submit public testimony on the Subcommittee’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 appropriations bill. Florida A&M University (FAMU) is grateful for the historic support of Congress during the pandemic. Maintaining or enhancing funding is critical for programs of interest to the University and our students, including the Department of Education’s Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) programs, the HBCU Capital Financing Program, and the federal Pell Grants program. FAMU also supports two programs at the Department of Health and Human Services— the National Institutes of Health’s Research Centers in Minority Institutions and the Health Resources and Services Administration’s Health Careers Opportunity Program. These federal programs provide significant support to the University, our students as well as other institutions of higher education across the nation.

Florida A&M University, based in the State capital of Tallahassee, Florida, was founded in 1887 with only 15 students and two instructors. Today, FAMU offers 98 undergraduate, graduate, postgraduate, and professional degree programs to nearly 10,000 students. We are proud to be the highest ranked among public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) for four consecutive years, according to the 2023 U.S. News and World Report National Public Universities. The University is a leading land grant research university with an increased focus on science, technology, engineering, mathematics, agriculture and health. As noted by Diverse Issues, FAMU is a top producer of African American undergraduates degrees and doctoral degrees in pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences and Bestcolleges.com recently ranked FAMU first among HBCUs for health science majors.

Federal support is critical for institutions of higher education, particularly HBCUs, which are historically under-resourced. Robust federal funding for programs that help to improve our institutions, broaden access for students, and enhance student success is paramount. The Department of Education HBCU programs help us achieve these goals and the federal Pell Grant program is an imperative resource for our students as the majority of our students are Pell-eligible. Furthermore, the Department of Health and Human Services’ research and career development programs that support
FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1887 as the State Normal College for Colored Students, Florida A&M University (FAMU) is the only historically state supported educational facility for African Americans in Florida. It has always been co-educational. In 1890, the second Morrill Act was passed. This enabled the school to become the Black Land Grant College for the State of Florida.

In 1891, the college was moved from its original location in Tallahassee to its present location which was once the site of "Highwood," Territorial Governor W.P. Duval's slave plantation. The site is one of the highest hills in Tallahassee. The school was known as Florida A&M College from 1909 until 1953 when it attained university status.