



House Appropriations Committee 2007 Session Budget Amendment Form

Proposed by Delegate: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Requests can be made by completing this form and submitting it to the House Appropriations Committee staff office on the 9th floor of the GAB.

Agency Name: Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Agency 208)

Increase/Decrease

Use this section to indicate whether your amendment would require an Increase or Decrease in appropriated funds.

General Fund (GF) monies are derived from taxes levied on individual and corporate income, sales, public service corporations, and insurance companies. The General Fund is the major source of support for many State functions.

Nongeneral Fund (NGF) monies consist of special fund revenues, higher education operating monies (tuition, special revenues and federal grants), highway maintenance and construction funds, trust and agency funds, and federal trust funds.

<u>Funding</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase	GF \$ <u>0</u>	GF \$ <u>6,500,000</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	NGF \$ <u>0</u>	NGF \$ <u>0</u>

Employment Level

Use this section to indicate if a change in the employment level of the agency is desired or necessary. The employment level is the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions dedicated to a specific program activity or agency. If you are unsure, leave the space blank.

<u>Employment Level</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	GF FTE <u>0</u>	GF FTE <u>0</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	NGF FTE <u>0</u>	NGF FTE <u>0</u>

Explanation of Amendment

Please explain the purpose of your amendment or attach explanatory materials. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF REQUESTING AN AMENDMENT as it ensures the staff has adequate background information to draft your budget amendment request.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: (Explain or Attach Materials)

The Liberal Arts Building was built in 1899 as a YMCA building and is located in the heart of the academic campus. It is one of the most outdated buildings on campus with a deteriorating wooden support and floor structure and extensive egress and ADA deficiencies. This renovation project will include major interior refurbishment, exterior envelope repairs, HVAC and ventilation systems replacement, plumbing system replacement, electrical system replacement, hazardous material abatement, and provision of accessible circulation and exiting that meets life safety requirements.

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**VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY
(Agency 208)**

**Capital Expenses
Budget Amendment Proposal**

	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>Biennium</u>
Additional Funds Requested:			
General Fund	--	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000
Nongeneral Fund	--	--	--

Title: Renovate Liberal Arts Building

Justification Statement:

The Liberal Arts Building was built in 1899 as a YMCA building and is located in the heart of the academic campus. It is one of the most outdated buildings on campus with a deteriorating wooden support and floor structure and extensive egress and ADA deficiencies. This renovation project will include major interior refurbishment, exterior envelope repairs, HVAC and ventilation systems replacement, plumbing system replacement, electrical system replacement, hazardous material abatement, and provision of accessible circulation and exiting that meets life safety requirements.

The Liberal Arts Building currently houses the Theater Arts programs and the School of the Arts instructional spaces, which will move to a newly renovated Henderson Hall in 2008 (Henderson Hall renovation is funded as part of the 2002 General Obligation Bond Program). This move will present a one-time window of opportunity for a complete interior renovation of the Liberal Arts Building to provide critical academic space for three new programs and to alleviate serious overcrowding in the English department.

The programs envisioned to occupy a renovated Liberal Arts Building include a new, approved interdisciplinary program in the liberal arts -- the innovative Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought (ASPECT) and two proposed graduate writing programs in the English department: a master's degree in creative writing and a PhD in rhetoric and writing, the first to be offered in Virginia. These programs currently have no formal space. The ASPECT program includes 12 faculty who are scattered across various departments and buildings, occupying whatever space is available from faculty on leave or who have left and not yet been replaced. The graduate teaching assistants involved in the program work from their homes and sign up to meet with students in a central room or are squeezed into already crowded offices.

A renovation of the Liberal Arts Building will modernize a seriously deficient, but historically significant, facility located in the prime academic area of campus. The renovation will produce a substantial enhancement in the instructional program at a lower cost than is otherwise available. The renovated building will provide critical space for faculty and graduate teaching assistants to work with students, instructional classrooms, and computer laboratories. In addition, this renovation will achieve a part of the University's Master Plan since it will co-locate the intended occupants adjacent to the main buildings housing the English department and the departments involved in the ASPECT program - history, philosophy, political science, and interdisciplinary studies.

This project, which will fully renovate the 15,900 gross square foot Liberal Arts Building, has been on the University's plan since 1993. The proposed program will be 100 percent Educational and General; thus, the funding plan calls for 100 percent state support.

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