

AN OPEN LETTER TO GOVERNOR WALKER

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Dear Governor Walker,

As employers and community leaders, we recognize the importance of higher education in driving Wisconsin's economy. In order for us to be successful, we need well-rounded, educated graduates in the workforce and in our communities. We write today to encourage you to make higher education a priority in your budget for the 2017–19 biennium.

The University of Wisconsin–Madison ranks among the nation's top public universities, providing an outstanding education to students. It has also been a hub for research, innovation, and technology, and it has a total economic impact of \$15 billion, contributing hundreds of millions in state and local revenues and employing almost 200,000 people around Wisconsin.

We ask that you support higher education in your 2017–19 executive budget proposal. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Members of UW–Madison Boards of Visitors

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