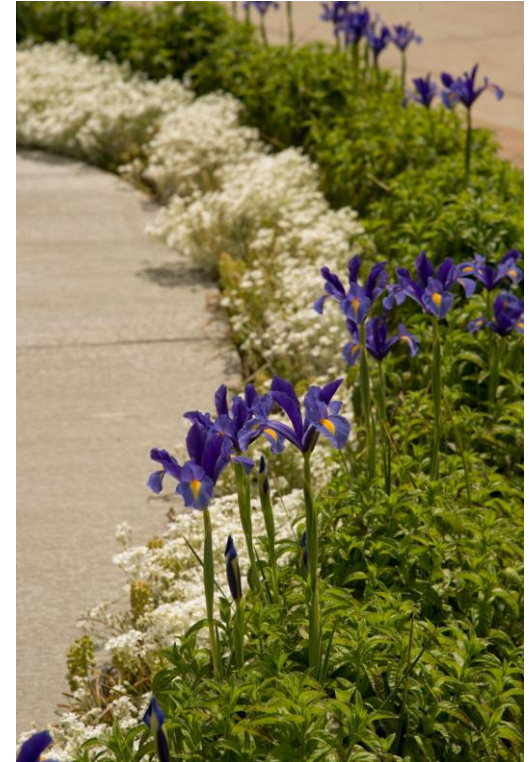




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# CoSE Spring Forum

April 30, 2026

Dean Jim Widmann

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# Agenda

Recognition: Awards, Retirements, New Faculty

Organizational Update

Development Update

Marketing and Communications Update

CoSE Budget

Structural Changes

Looking Forward

Reminders

Reception

# Congratulations



Distinguished Researcher  
Dr. Donna Delparte  
Professor  
Geosciences



Distinguished Teacher  
Dr. Kendra Murray  
Associate Professor  
Geosciences



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# Congratulations



Outstanding Researcher  
Dr. Mostafa Fouda  
Associate Professor  
Electrical & Computer Engineering



Outstanding Researcher  
Dr. Courtney (Cori) Jenkins  
Associate Professor  
Chemistry



Outstanding Teacher Award  
Dr. Derek Eckman  
Assistant Professor  
Mathematics & Statistics

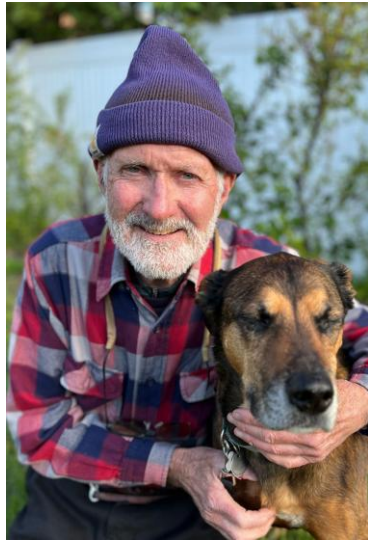
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# Retirements



Mary Hofle  
Senior Lecturer  
Mechanical Engineering



Ken Bosworth  
Professor  
Mechanical Engineering



Mikle Ellis  
Professor  
Electrical Engineering



Solomon Leung  
Professor  
Civil and Environmental Engineering



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# New Faculty



Bill Galik  
Assistant Professor  
Civil and  
Environmental Engineering

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# Special Thank You for Your Service



Mary Lou Dunzik-Gougar  
Associate Dean and  
Professor of Nuclear  
Engineering



Rene Rodriguez  
Associate Dean and  
Professor of Chemistry

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# Promotion and Tenure



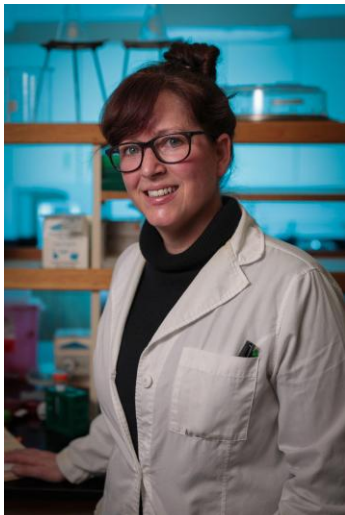
Anirban Chakraborty, Biosciences  
Promotion to Assoc Professor w/Tenure



Ryan Anderson, Geosciences  
Promotion to Clinical Assoc Professor



Todd Morris, Chemistry  
Promotion to Full Teaching Professor



Kristin Lane, Biosciences  
Promotion to Assoc Professor w/Tenure

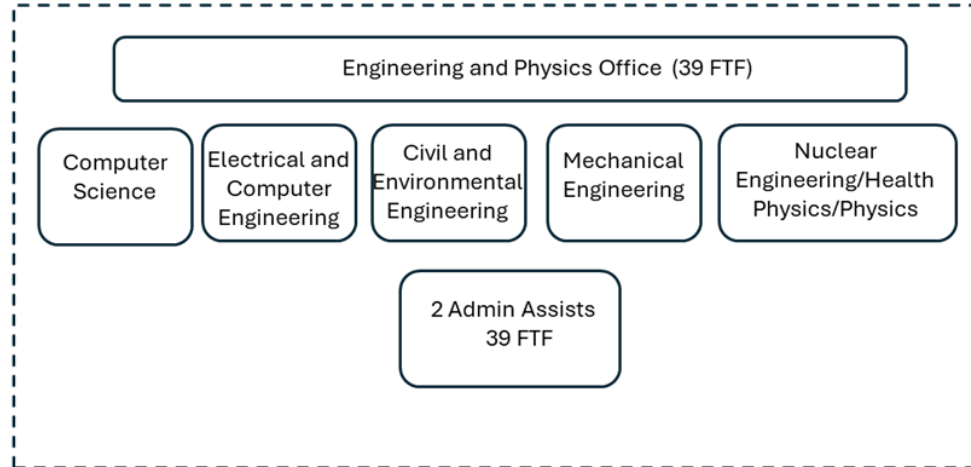
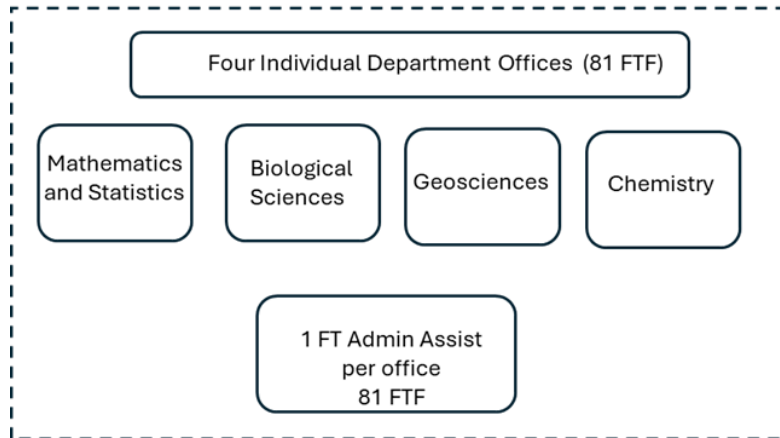
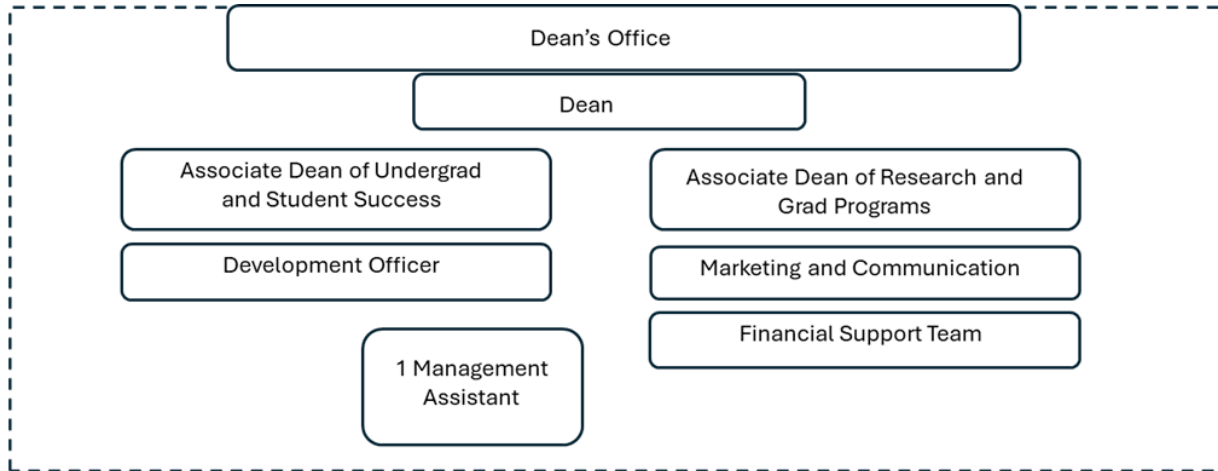


Farjana Eishita, Computer Science  
Promotion to Assoc Professor w/Tenure



Michael Swenson, Biology  
Promotion to Associate Lecturer

# CoSE Administration





# Program Prioritization

- Ongoing Process of evaluating program viability
- ISU will be discontinuing many programs considered underperforming
- This is a prelude to “Outcomes” based budgeting from the state



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# Development Update

## Blair Devenberg

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# Fundraising Priorities & Updates

## **Life Science Building**

Cornerstone project

## **Dean's Excellence Fund**

Momentum Scholarship, student clubs, travel, special projects

## **Donor Recognition Wall**

Celebrating impact

## **Scholarships**

Students support is always a priority

[Fundraising Request Form](#)



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# Bengal Giving Day

**Total Gifts: 152**

**New Donors: 50**

**Total raised: \$196,607**

*Faculty are **key partners** for these fundraising successes!  
**Thank You!***

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# Marketing

Presley Arrowood

# Communications

Logan McDougall

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# Marketing and Communications Reminders

- Participate in outreach events as you're able
- Follow, like, and share on social media
- Keep content/story ideas flowing
- Reach out to us if you need help with marketing materials

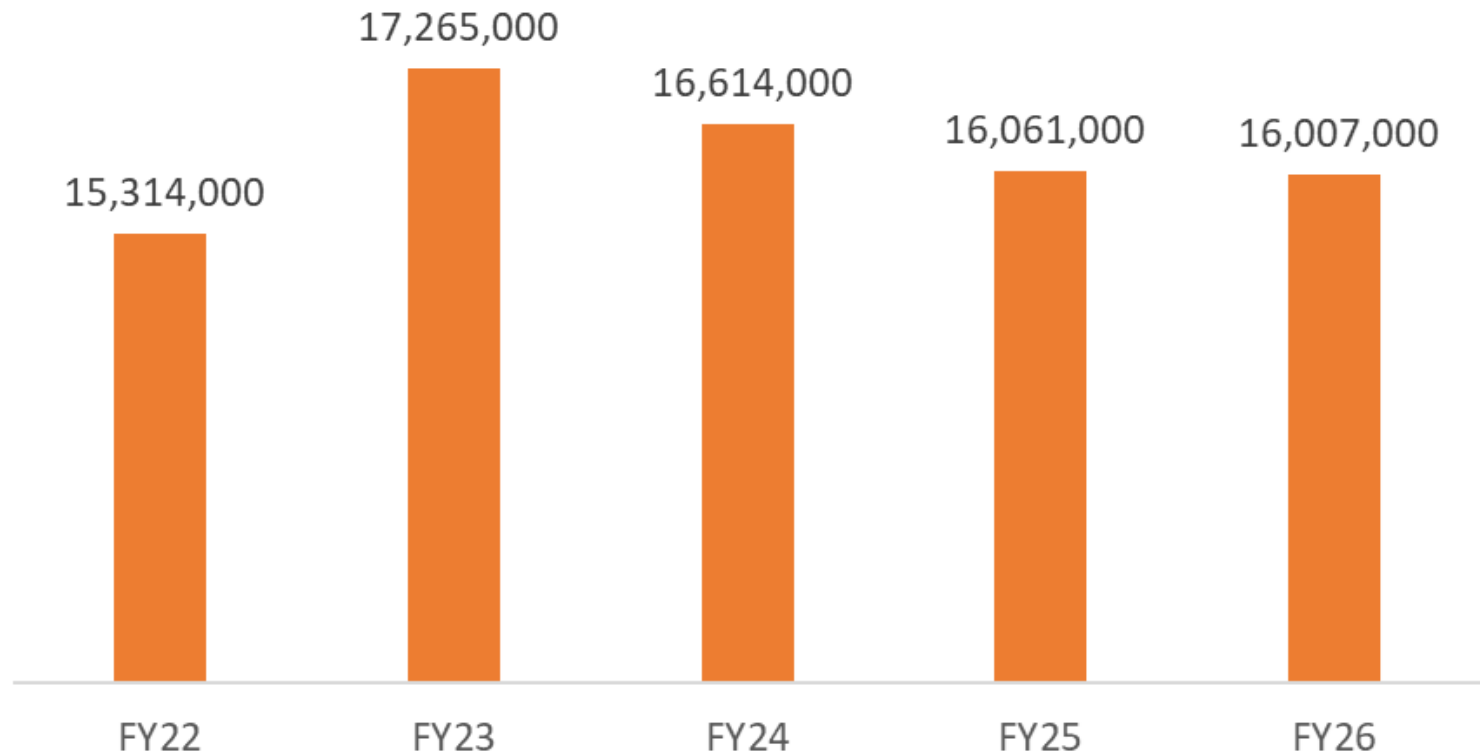
# CoSE Budget

## Fred Parrish





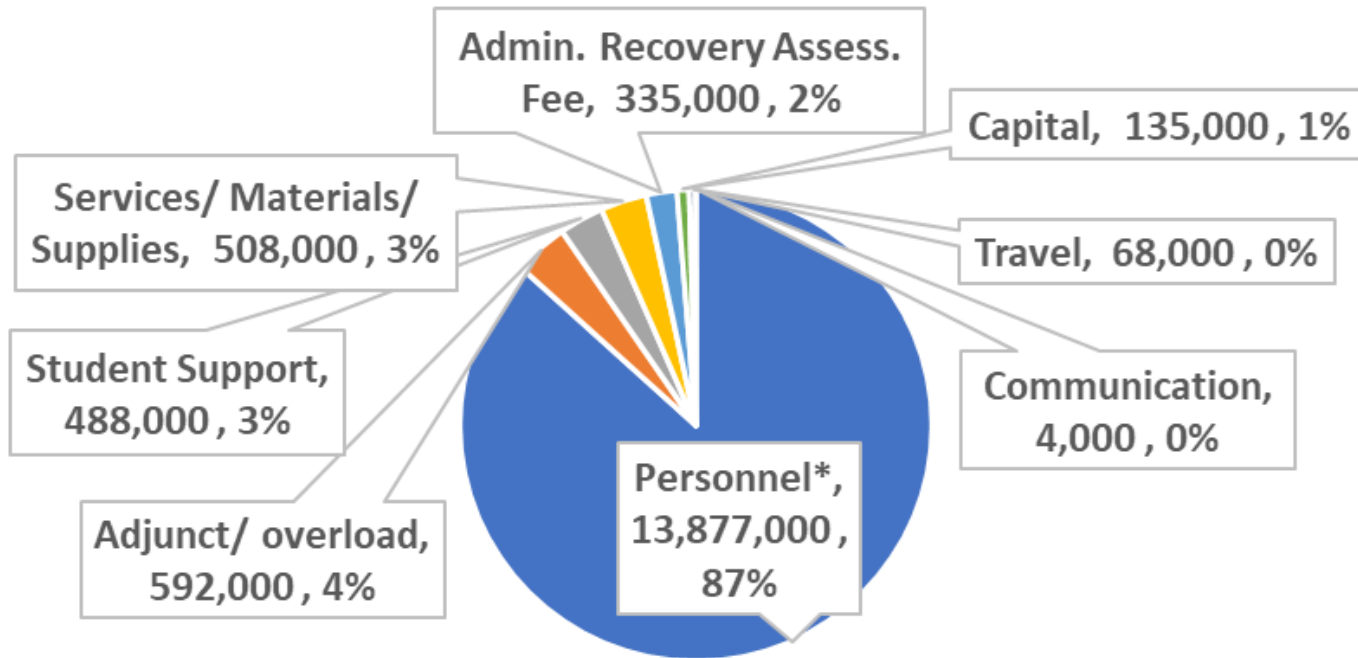
## CoSE Appropriated Budget by Fiscal Year



*Notes: Rounded to nearest thousand. FY23 includes the NE budget line items with 1x funds.*



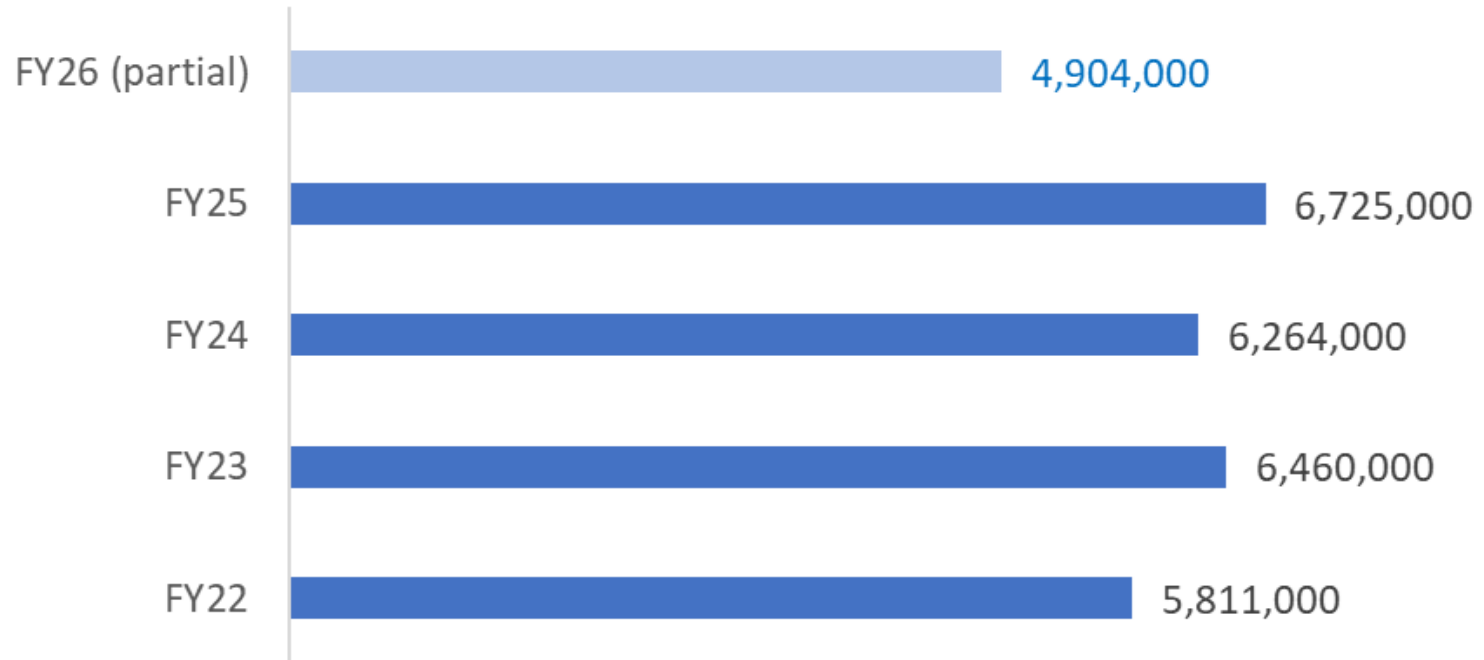
## FY26 Budget by Category



Notes: \*Personnel excludes adjunct/overload & student labor (they have their own categories).  
Rounded to nearest thousand.



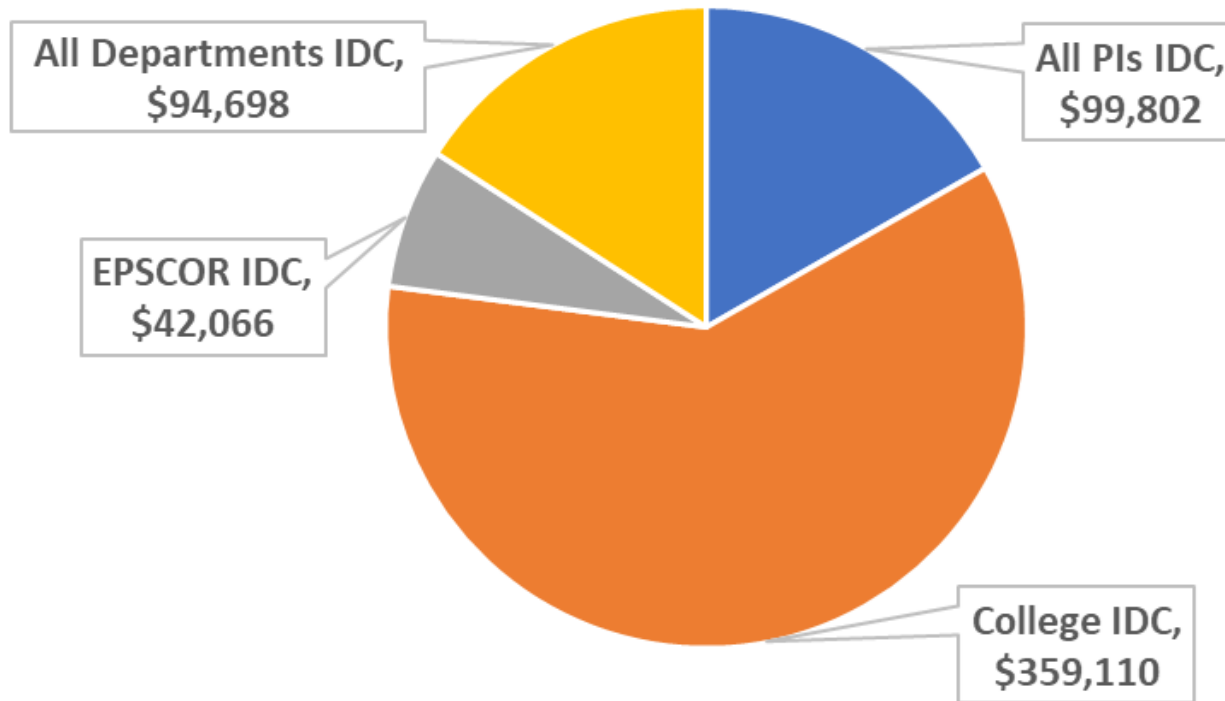
## CoSE Grant Expenditures by year



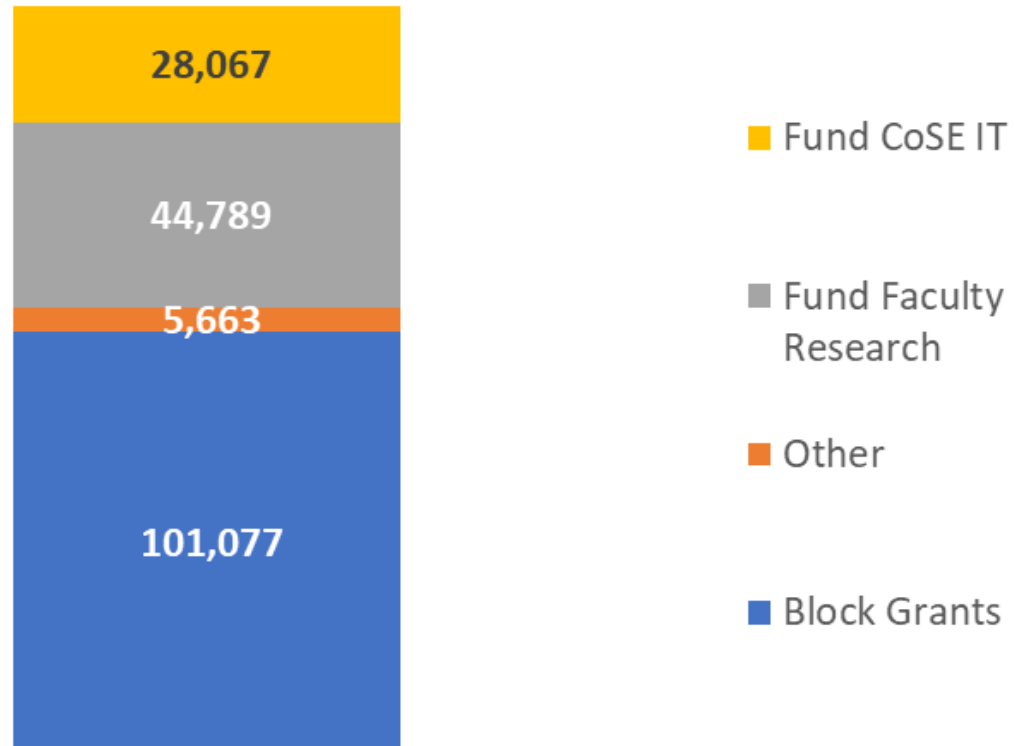
*Notes: FY26 is through now (April 28th) and is only part of the fiscal year.  
Rounded to nearest thousand.*



## CoSE FY25 IDC Breakdown



## CoSE FY25 IDC Funds Usage





# Capital Improvements AY26

- Colonial Hall first floor upgrades
- Classroom upgrade in Mathematics and Statistics



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# New Life Sciences Building



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# CoSE's 3-5 Year Vision (Draft)

- Enrollment Growth
- Enhance Programmatic Excellence and Infrastructure
- Expand External Partnerships
- Grow Research Activities
- Enhance the Faculty/Staff Experience

# Enrollment Growth

- Focus on Retention
  - Identifying barriers to student success
  - Creating a Sense of Belonging
- Provide multiple pathways for undergrads and graduate students



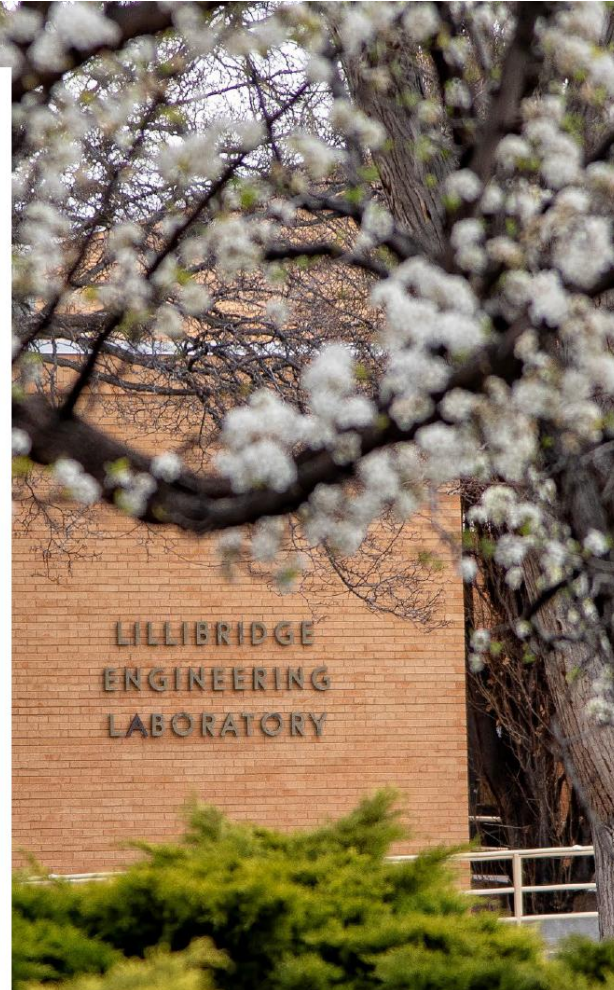
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# Enhancing Programs and Infrastructure

**Engineering Projects  
and Innovation Center**

**The EPIC**  
(Draft Plan)

A place for Bengals to  
Learn, Grow and Thrive



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# Executive Committee

- CoSE Policy Changes need to match changes at the University level
  - P&T
  - Third-Year Reviews
  - Five-Year PPR
  - Sabbaticals
  - Etc.
- Called upon to help draft KPIs for our strategic plan



# Important Dates

Dean's Faculty & Staff Evaluation due May 1

[Faculty and Staff Dean Feedback Survey 2025](#)

Pocatello Commencement, May 9

Meridian Commencement, May 11

CoSE College-wide Summer BBQ, August 20

Fall semester begins, August 24



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# Q & A

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**Join us for a  
Catered Social Hour  
Where: Atrium  
When: 4 pm**

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