UT System Priorities for the 85th Legislative Session

BUDGET

Maintain the integrity of formula funding and preserve the funding of special items through general revenue

Adequately fund new medical schools at UT Austin and UT Rio Grande Valley

Adequately fund correctional care within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, allowing UTMB to continue its partnership with the state

Protect the competitive position and financial stability of state health institutions in the marketplace by not mandating rate reductions for ERS

Provide additional funding for behavioral and mental health care

Adequately fund the Governor's University Research Initiative and the Texas Research Incentive Program

LEGISLATION

Continue the current tuition-setting process and the authority granted to boards of regents to set tuition

Preserve the ability of institutions to use a portion of tuition for critical student financial aid

Address the problem of campus sexual assault

Reform the Legacy exemption under the Hazlewood Act

Do not transfer Lions Municipal Golf Course to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Consider changes to the Top 10% Law that will increase the diversity of the student body at institutions