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UB presses Albany for tuition policy change to save UB 2020

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BUFFALO, NY (WBFO) - University at Buffalo president John Simpson says UB's 2020 plan is in "serious jeopardy".



UB president John Simpson WBFO News photo by Eileen Buckley

Simpson met with reporters in downtown Buffalo late Monday morning at UB's Center of Excellence.

Simpson outlined and discussed the threats the State's fiscal crisis is having on the University's effort to move 2020 forward. Simpson says the future of Buffalo and UB are at stake.

Simpson says the UB 2020 plan is a strategy for the future of Western New York.

"It means 6,700 direct jobs, 20,000 construction jobs, and \$2 billion in additional economic impact," said Simpson.

Click the audio player above to hear John Simpson's remarks now or use your podcasting software to download it to your computer or iPod.

Simpson says UB is calling on elected officials in Albany to change policy that would allow UB to follow the same rules that virtually every other major public university in the U.S. is allowed.

Simpson says they are asking for changes to policy, not financial.

One of the policy changes UB is seeking is flexibility on tuition, to be allowed to set its own tuition rate. Simpson says this would allow UB to keep the tuition students pay right here in Buffalo, and allow the University the ability to enter into partnerships to leverage private sector funding.

Simpson is calling on every Western New Yorker to demand Albany change the policies to pave the way for UB 2020.

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