

## Resource Principles

Resource principles provide the framework for budget/resource allocation decisions. These principles recognize the variety of funding and resources that support UW-Stout functions and encourage creativity and flexibility in financing strategic plans. They also require an awareness and integration of campus planning at all levels in order to effectively allocate budget and resources.

- Identify budget priorities through the use of participatory processes, guided by the mission statement and strategic planning.
- Fund activities that are central to the mission, add value, or are required.
- Protect the integrity of the undergraduate and graduate mission.
- Protect the integrity of services supporting the central university mission.
- Maintain flexibility at all levels of the organization through the use of reserves to fund strategic initiatives, emergencies and other discretionary purposes.
- Reallocate resources and redesign functions to provide funding for high priority strategic initiatives.
- Ensure near-term allocation decisions complement longer term planning.
- Manage operations within allocated resources.
- Make informed budget decisions through the use of data, analyses and projections.