



NC Community College System Presentation to the Joint House & Senate Education Appropriations Committees

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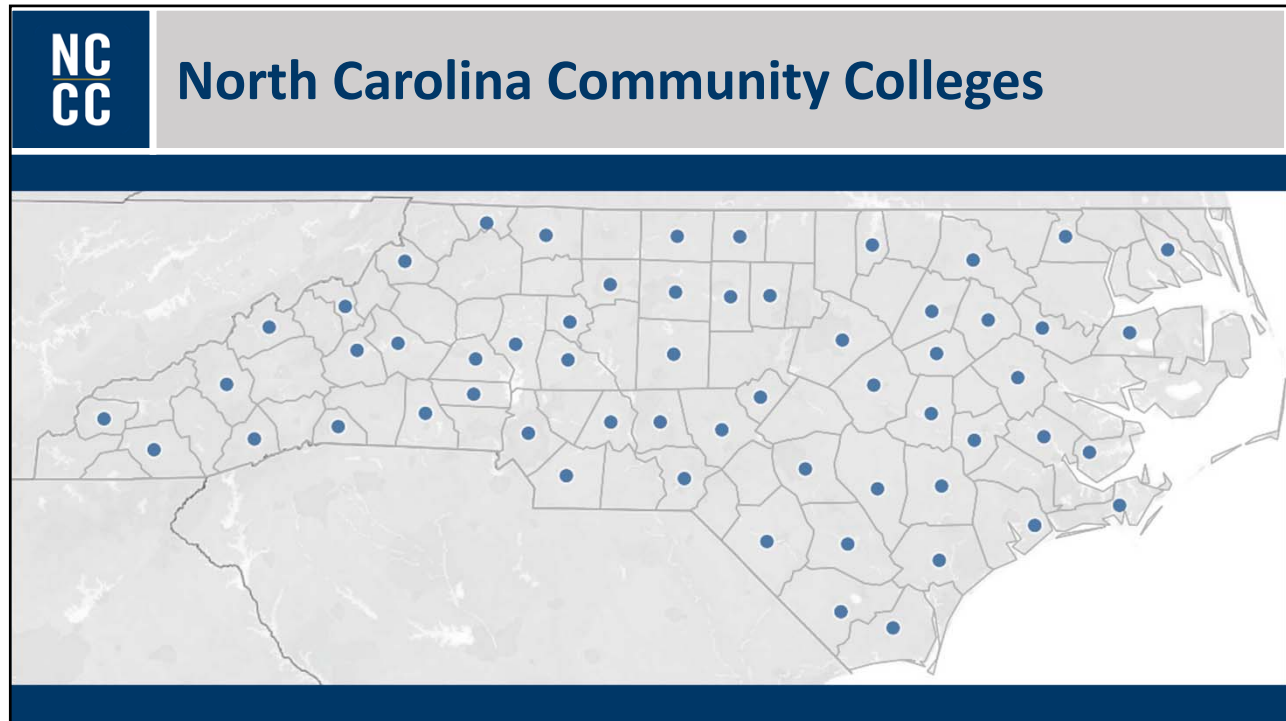


Mission

The mission of the North Carolina Community College System is to open the door to high-quality, accessible educational opportunities that minimize barriers to post-secondary education, maximize student success, develop a globally and multi-culturally competent workforce, and improve the lives and well-being of individuals by providing:

- **Education, training and retraining** for the workforce including basic skills and literacy education, occupational and pre-baccalaureate programs.
- **Support for economic development** through services to and in partnership with business and industry and in collaboration with the University of North Carolina System and private colleges and universities.
- **Services to communities and individuals** which improve the quality of life.

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The 'Our Students' section features three student profiles, each with a photo, name, title, college, and a quote. The profiles are set against a background with a yellow vertical bar on the left and a dark blue header with the 'NC CC' logo and the title 'Our Students'.

Student Name	Photo Description	Current Role	College	Quote
Chad Robinson	Portrait of a young man in a blue shirt	Assistant Apprenticeship Manager at Siemens Energy	Central Piedmont Community College Grad	"The networking I've been able to do has been incredible. I've had amazing opportunities that I never thought I would be able to have."
Kris Johnson	Portrait of a person in medical scrubs and a mask	Nurse	Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College Grad	"This really stressful and really hard, and I'm thankful that I went to a school that prepared me for something like this."
Shantal Grullon	Portrait of a woman in a dark jacket with a Lenovo logo	Business Transformation Specialist at Lenovo	Wake Tech Community College Grad	"I was able to do this. I went to school. I worked. I was able to help my family... The flexibility of it is something that can't be beat."

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	<h2>Our Students</h2>		
			
	<p>Quentin Sweeney Lead Manufacturing Engineer at GE Aviation <i>Cape Fear Community College Grad</i></p> <p><i>"I wish people could really see what they could be doing with their lives—and the money they could be making—with just a two-year degree."</i></p>	<p>Demetrius Deloatch Consultant at APCO Worldwide <i>Attended Halifax Community College</i></p> <p><i>"Attending a community college prepared me to enter my four-year institution. I was able to become acclimated with college work, gain professional development and transfer my credits..."</i></p>	<p>Jared Ballew Government & Industry Liaison at Drake Software <i>Southwestern Community College</i></p> <p><i>"To have control over my career path over the long haul was a definite advantage for me, starting at a community college."</i></p>

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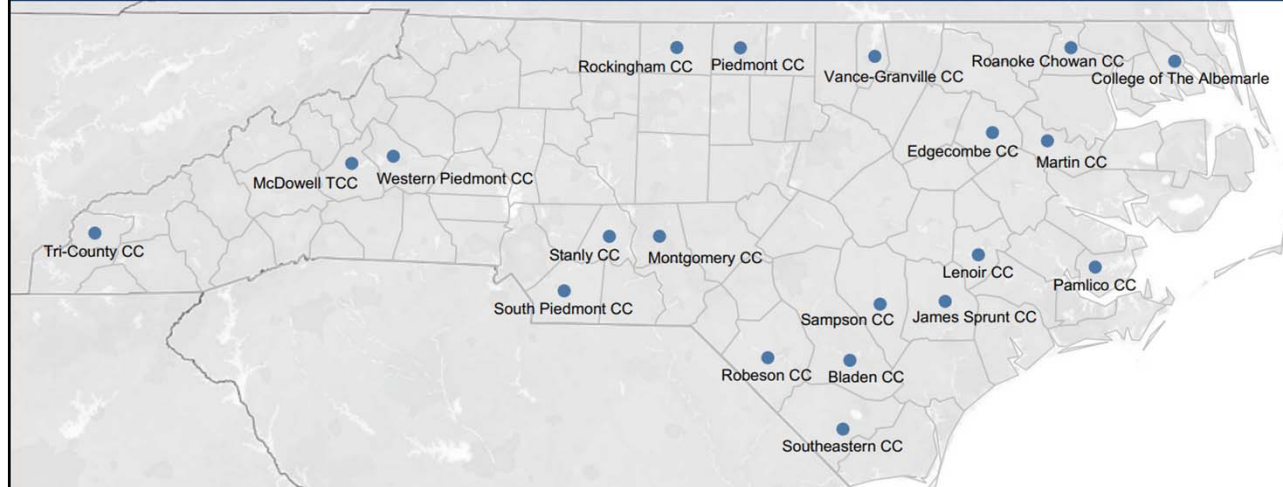
	<h2>Responding to COVID-19</h2>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community colleges have remained open • During lockdown, continued in-person instruction for frontline public health and safety personnel. • Blend of online and in-person instruction • In-person instruction following CDC guidelines

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Rural College Broadband Access Project

Enhanced capacity for online learning and address the cost of expanded demands on IT at 20 community colleges in rural areas



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Budget Priorities

REQUEST	FY 21-22
Faculty & Staff Salary Increase of 5%	\$60.2M R
Budget Stabilization	\$61M NR
Continue Funding for Modern & Secure IT System	\$28.5M NR \$3.5 R
Fund Cybersecurity Positions and Security & Planning Assessment & Implementation Resources	\$1,497,301 R 9 positions \$2,250,000 NR
Fund Approved Multicampus Center at Yadkin Campus of Surry CC	\$579,413
Include Community Colleges in Capital Funding Proposals – Colleges have identified over \$2.2B in capital needs, including new construction and R&R	

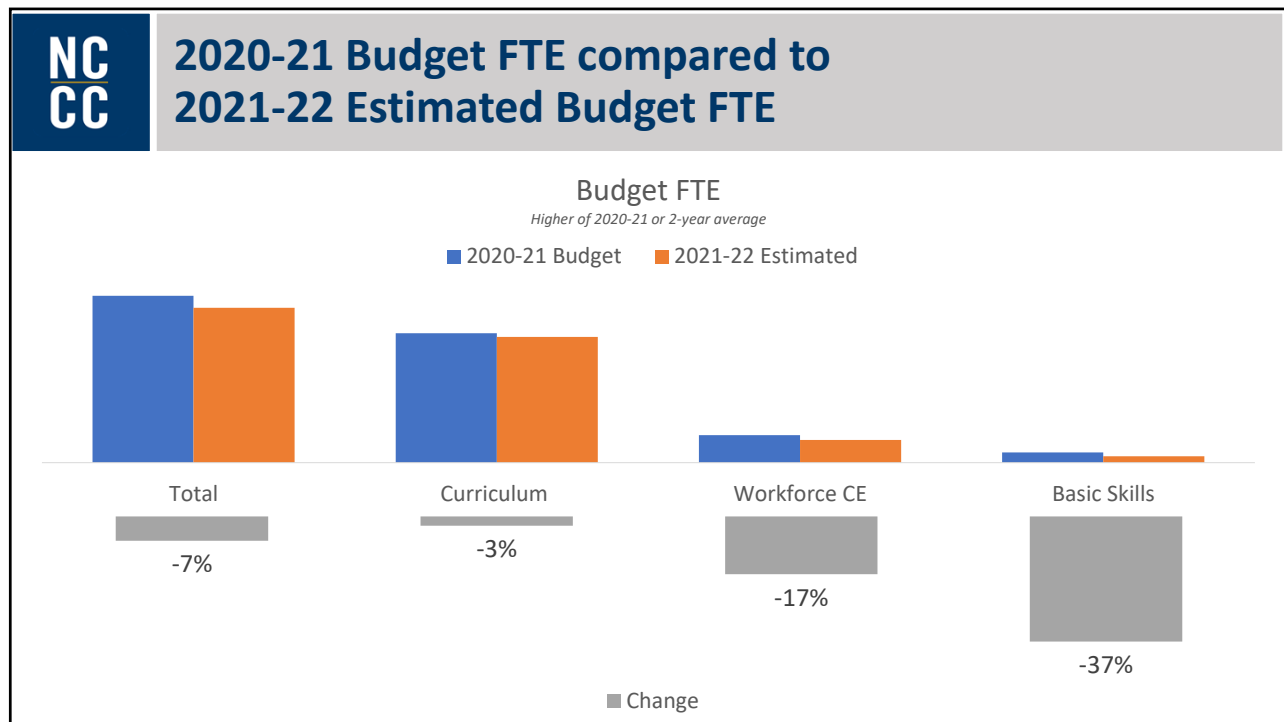
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NC CC	Funding for Cybersecurity
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major cyberattacks involving ransomware at 4 colleges since 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entire networks have been compromised and had to be rebuilt • Over 790 servers impacted • Significant negative impacts on operation of critical IT functions and systems needed by faculty, staff, and students • Recovery takes at least 2 weeks • Investigation and recovery involves not only NC Community College System Office but SBI, FBI, DPS, DIT, NCNG • Costly to colleges

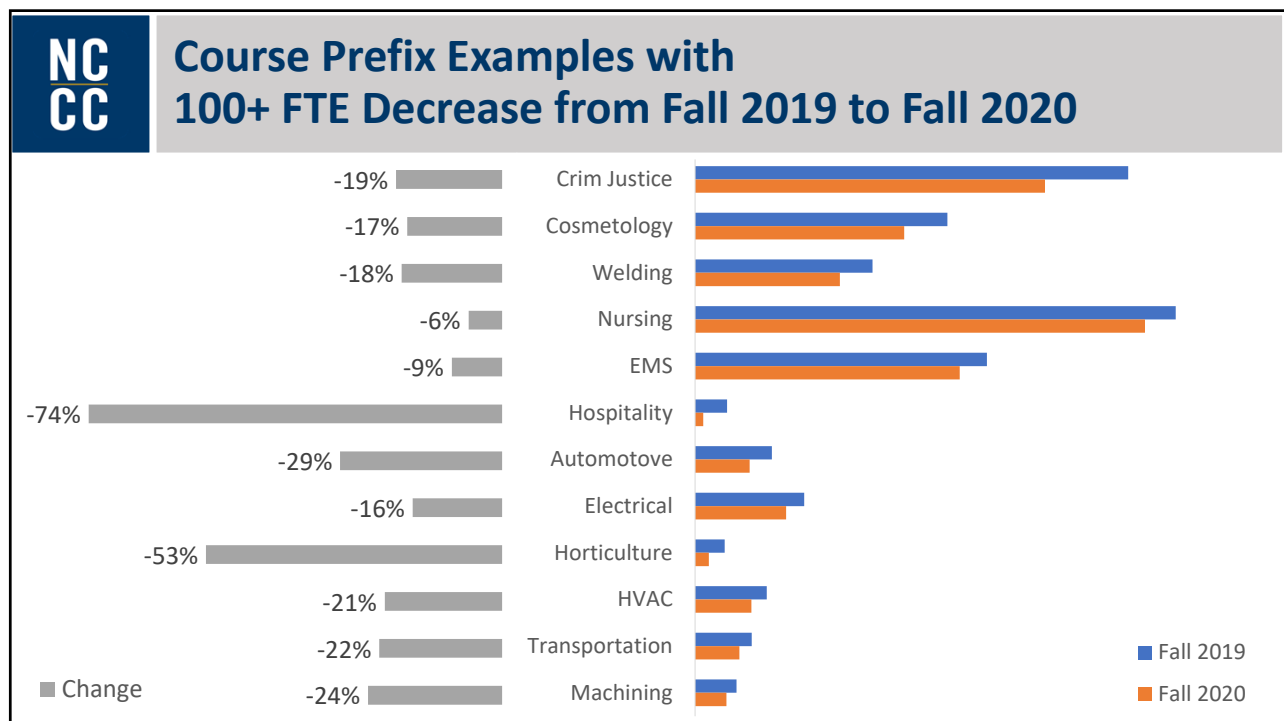
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NC CC	Faculty & Staff Salaries
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attracting & retaining staff is a significant challenge, especially in high-demand, high-skilled areas • Unlike State employees, community college faculty & staff did not receive raises in 19-20 & 20-21 • Community college faculty rank 40th in the nation among public 2-year colleges • Colleges have lost faculty and staff to private industry, four-year colleges, and public schools

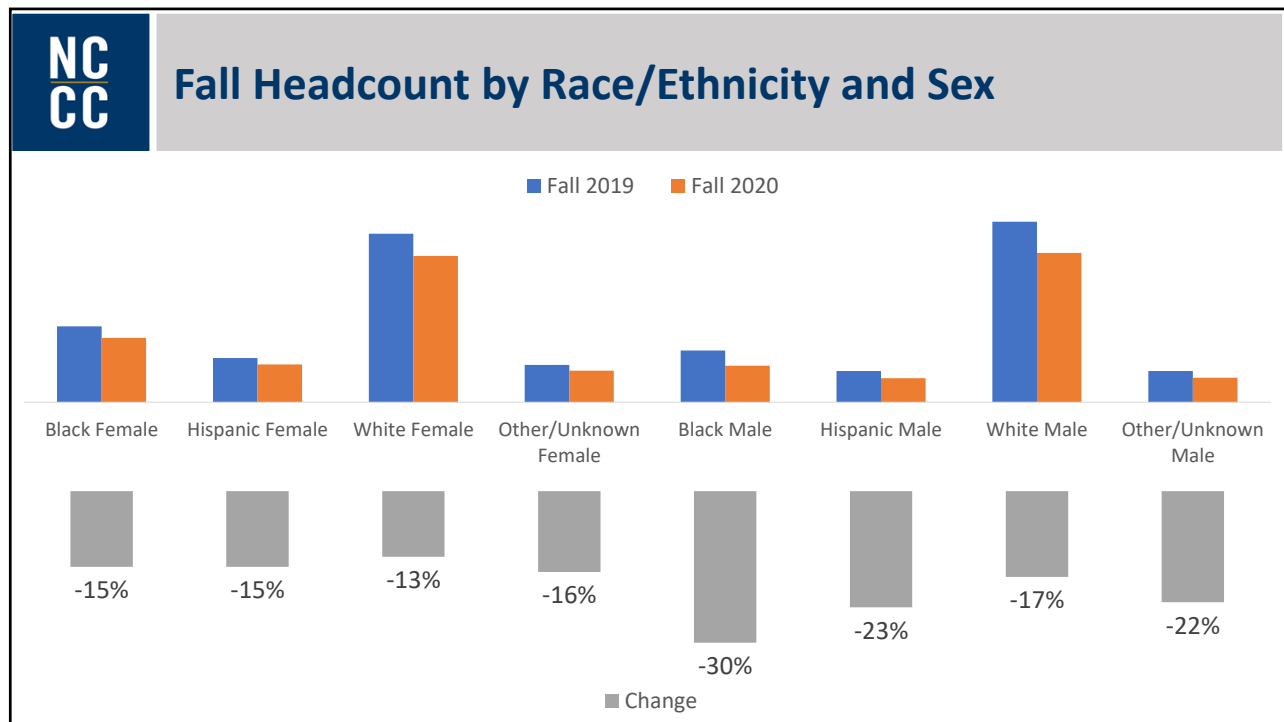
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NC CC **Ongoing Challenges Impacting Enrollment**

- Loss of prison instruction
- Students taking fewer courses
- Manufacturers unable to allow students into facilities
- Students or family members having COVID
- Struggles with online learning
- High school students not enrolling in Career & College Promise
- Students either having to get jobs or working more hours because family member laid off
- Student reluctance to attend in-person classes
- No access to computers or internet
- Parents unable to enroll because of children's remote learning
- Students taking gap year

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NC CC	Joint Request of SBCC and UNC-BOG
	<p>Consolidate & Simplify State-Based UNC & CC Grant Programs Into One NC Scholarship</p> <p>UNC-Need Based Grant, the Community College Grant, and Education Lottery Scholarship are currently three separate programs with different eligibility criteria. Consolidation of these programs would result in a more-streamlined and efficient state aid system.</p>

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<h1>Thank you</h1>

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