

**SUNY Oswego Faculty Assembly Resolution 202312-3**  
**Support for UFS Resolution 195-03-1 Resolution to Endorse Potsdam Faculty**  
**Senate Resolution to freeze the Financial Stability Plan**  
Submitted on behalf of the Oswego UFS Senators

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2023, the SUNY Potsdam President, Dr. Suzanne Smith, released a [financial stability plan](#) announcing drastic cuts to 14 academic programs; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2023 the SUNY Potsdam Faculty Senate passed a [Resolution to Freeze the Financial Stability Plan](#) (see Appendix), noting that the plan:

has been carried out in a way that severely deviates from academic professional norms and principles that are designed to preserve the integrity of the institution and discourage corruption, where the expertise of the faculty, chairs, and directors are respected, employee time and effort spent on mandated tasks are respected, and faculty are meaningfully included in the process of developing potential solutions; and

WHEREAS, [SUNY UFS resolution 195-03-1 in support of Potsdam](#) further asserts that the “process used to determine the program cuts was developed without input from shared governance or from the faculty as a whole,” and that “the administration has failed to provide budget data showing how these cuts will improve Potsdam’s financial situation;”

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SUNY Oswego Faculty Assembly endorses SUNY UFS Resolution 195-03-1 and the Potsdam Faculty Senate Resolution calling for an immediate freeze to the Financial Stability Plan and for the implementation of a transparent process with the “inclusion of significant faculty, staff, and student voices regarding curricular needs and opportunities at SUNY Potsdam;” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SUNY Oswego Faculty Assembly joins with the SUNY Potsdam Faculty Senate in the expectation of meaningful consultation and transparency in budget and financial planning matters.