



Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE)

2026-27 Recommendations

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Background

Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund



Incentivize

Collaboration between nursing education programs & university partners

Authority

The Board of Governors is responsible for evaluating & approving program proposals

Appropriation

The Legislature provided \$6 million in LINE funds for FY 26-27

Match

Provides a dollar-for-dollar match for monetary/non-monetary contributions from university partners

Allowable Uses of LINE Funds

Section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes



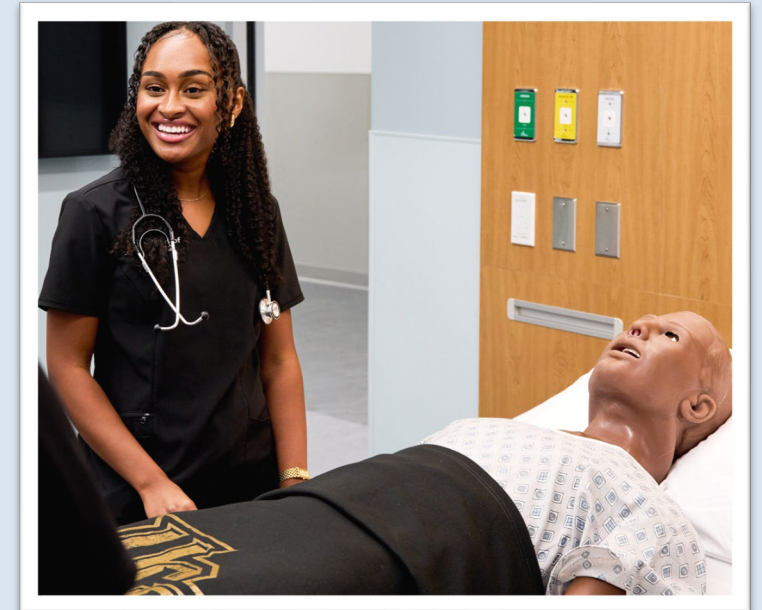
**Student
Scholarships**



**Faculty
Recruitment**



Equipment



**Simulation
Centers**

Funds may **not** be used for the construction of new buildings

Overview of LINE Funding Proposals

FY 2026-27



**The Florida
Legislature
allocated
\$6 million in
2026-27**



**31 proposals
from
10 universities**



**Total requested
\$9,334,334**

Monetary \$7,707,071	Non-Monetary \$1,627,263
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LINE Funding Proposals

FY 2026-27



University	Healthcare Partner	Request	Proposed Funding	Anticipated Impact
FAMU	Donors (9)	\$1,000,063	\$900,128	Scholarships, Equipment, Curriculum Development
FAU	Palm Beach Health	\$200,000	\$200,000	Scholarships
FGCU	Lee Health System	\$325,000	\$325,000	Scholarships, Salary, Equipment
FIU	Baptist Health	\$960,000	\$951,465	Scholarships
FIU	Memorial Healthcare	\$100,000	\$100,000	Faculty
FIU	Memorial Healthcare	\$30,000	\$30,000	Scholarships
FIU	Riviera Health	\$20,000	\$20,000	Scholarships
FSU	4 Healthcare Partners	\$2,277,000	\$947,000	Scholarships, Faculty, Clinical Preceptors, Curriculum Development
UCF	Advent Health	\$200,000	\$200,000	Scholarships, Faculty Salary
UCF	Nemours Children's	\$37,500	\$37,500	Faculty Salary
UCF	Orlando Health	\$200,000	\$200,000	Scholarships, Faculty Salary
UF	UF Health	\$2,800,000	\$1,101,464	Scholarships, Faculty, Equipment, Clinical Preceptors
UNF	HCA Healthcare	\$195,000	\$195,000	Scholarships, Equipment
UNF	Baptist Health	\$52,500	\$52,500	Scholarships, Faculty
USF	Empath Health	\$25,000	\$25,000	Scholarships
USF	John Hopkins	\$32,856	\$17,143	Scholarships, Faculty, Equipment
USF	Moffitt Cancer Center	\$50,000	\$50,000	Curriculum Development
USF	Orlando Health	\$25,000	\$25,000	Scholarships
USF	Sunshine Health	\$25,000	\$25,000	Curriculum Development
USF	Tampa General	\$500,000	\$500,000	Scholarships, Equipment, Curriculum Development
UWF	Baptist Health	\$20,000	\$20,000	Scholarships, Curriculum Development
UWF	Ascension	\$155,240	\$40,000	Scholarships, Faculty, Curriculum Development
UWF	Santa Rosa	\$104,176	\$37,800	Scholarships, Curriculum Development

Expected Impact of LINE Funding

FY 2026-27



2,141

**Scholarships
expected from
LINE funds**



996

**Additional students
expected in nursing
programs across the
System**



10

**Proposals plan to
support nursing
faculty**





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