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INVESTING IN THE ECC

The core of CSU student and faculty success.

WHAT IS THE ECC?

Electronic Core Collection

A CSU collection of subscription databases including scholarly articles, popular news and magazine articles, business data, and e-books. It spans a range of disciplines including business, humanities, social sciences, law, technology, music, physical sciences and life sciences.

HOW IS THE ECC BEING USED?

17 million full-text downloads per year*

The ECC is used to power faculty and student research, course assignments, information literacy instruction and creative projects that reinforce the CSU reputation for quality higher education.

*17 million full-text downloads from all library databases procured by the CSU Chancellor's Office, including the ECC.

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE ECC?

Equal Access Across all CSU

System-wide subscriptions save money and guarantee equal access across all 23 CSUs. However, since 2008, subscription prices have exceeded inflation and the ECC's current budget imposes information access inequities. By increasing the budget to \$10 million dollars, we provide ALL CSU students and faculty the resources they need to be successful.

OPPORTUNITY TO INVEST

Small Price for Success

Increasing the ECC to \$10 million (equivalent to \$20 per CSU student) would help recoup our losses over the last 10 years. A \$15 million increase would allow CSU to expand access for new content like streaming media and e-books.

LET'S CLOSE THE RESOURCE GAP

Emerging and in-demand Content

Equitable access and providing the resources needed for student and faculty success is our priority. The ECC is facing more than \$600,000 in cuts for 2019-20. This will translate to cancelled subscriptions to core research databases and a widening of a gap that needs to close.

**Equitable Access for
all CSU campuses**

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CSU Excellence**

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