



UNIVERSITÉ DE MONCTON
EDMUNDSTON MONCTON SHIPPAGAN

Budget 2026-2027 :

Université de Moncton

**Stays the Course on
its Mission and
Student Success**

BUDGET SITUATION UPDATE

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Moncton, N.B., April 27, 2026 – Université de Moncton is part of a national movement: like several post-secondary institutions — including the University of Prince Edward Island, the University of British Columbia, the University of Toronto, and Vancouver Island University — it is navigating a demanding financial context marked by significant structural pressures. Against this backdrop, the 2026–2027 budget, adopted today by the Board of Governors, reflects responsible choices aimed at ensuring the institution's sustainability while maintaining its investments in its mission and student success.

A Budget Balancing Rigour and Commitment

The 2026–2027 budget shows an anticipated deficit of \$1.143 million, with expenses of \$154.8 million and revenues of \$153.7 million. By campus: Moncton (\$271,000), Edmundston (\$13,000), and Shippagan (\$859,000).

This financial picture reflects a well-documented context: a freeze on government grants, a 41% decline in international enrolment, and more than 15 years of structural underfunding, with revenue growth averaging 1.5% per year against inflation of 2.8%.

In this context, the University has made difficult but responsible choices:

- A 4% tuition increase, accompanied by a \$947,000 enhancement to the scholarship program;
- Infrastructure and student space investments of \$5M in 2026–2027 and \$2.5M in 2027–2028;
- Maintained investments in technology, student success, and growth sectors.

"The decisions made today by the Board reflect a clear commitment to our mission and to the communities we serve. In a demanding financial context, we are choosing to invest in our spaces, in the quality of teaching, and in the success of our students."

Denis Mallet, Chair, Board of Governors

Cap sur l'avenir: Concrete Results for the Student Community

Now entering phase 2 of its Cap sur l'avenir 2023–2028 strategy, the University is focused on the concrete impact of its actions. Investments made are translating directly into the student experience:

- Creation of the Program Evaluation Committee (CEP) and implementation of a quality assurance framework to strengthen teaching quality;
- Expansion and modernization of the CEPS (Class C phase completed), transforming campus life and the student experience for both the university community and the broader community;
- Launch of a new scholarship program;
- Progress on structural projects, including a social resolution incubator and a centre of excellence in pedagogy.

These initiatives reflect a clear commitment: today's investments are visible in the daily lives of students.

Strong Indicators Despite the Pressures

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enrolled students
(-1% compared
to 2025)

87%

Retention rate from
1st to 2nd grade

92%

graduates employed
within 6 months

2nd

Student-to-faculty
ratio in Canada
(Macleans)

1st

in Canada, income,
research, non-profit
organizations

The University also stands out for ranking 2nd in Canada for student-to-faculty ratio according to Maclean's, and 1st in Canada according to **Infosource** for the proportion of research revenue derived from nonprofit organizations. These results confirm that, even in a challenging environment, the University continues to invest in promoting student success and supporting the development of research and innovation for the benefit of New Brunswick, and in particular the Acadian and Francophone communities.

"Today, many universities across Canada are facing similar pressures, and our university is no exception. Despite this, we have chosen to move forward with determination. We are choosing to invest in order to fulfill our mission: to advance knowledge and to educate creative, engaged individuals who will contribute to the development of Acadie, of our province, and of Canada's francophone community."

Dr. Denis Prud'homme, President and Vice-Chancellor, Université de Moncton.

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