
STRATEGIC PRIORITY

5.0 Infrastructure and Support

SUB-PRIORITY

5.5

Enhance our infrastructure with a multiyear capital plan that promotes environmentally sustainable development

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RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

5.3,5.6

DESCRIPTION

The university's infrastructure represents the largest asset managed by the university. The funds for operation, renewal, replacement or expansion of major elements of that asset must be managed strategically in order to efficiently and effectively support the university's mission.

Given the age and physical condition of our campus, and the need to provide a supportive environment for our academic mission, it is clear that Dalhousie will continue to make significant investments in physical and IT infrastructure in the years ahead. The challenge is defining the priorities and obtaining the financial support for them.

While the Campus Master Plan guides the university's long-term planning, a 5 to 10 year capital plan for buildings, grounds, heating and cooling systems, and IT infrastructure is required. The capital plan will align our academic and research priorities, fit within our financial realities and debt capacity policy and support our sustainability objectives.

SPECIFIC GOALS

1. Update the capital project program annually.
2. Develop a draft multiyear capital plan in 2015 to be finalized by 2016-17.