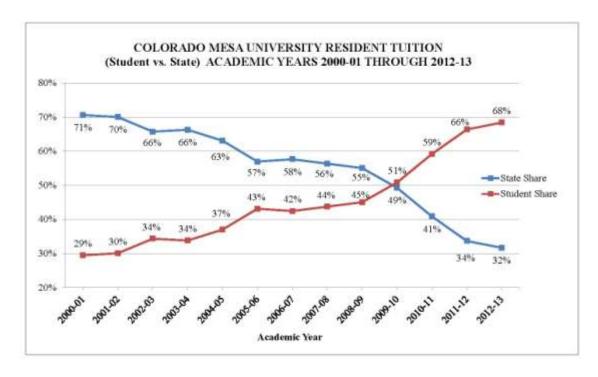


## HLC: 13 Days and Counting...Did You Know? November 5, 2013

Did you know that the University's financial support from the state has dwindled to 32% of the institution's revenues for fiscal year 2012-13, less than half of the proportion it provided a decade earlier?

**Self-Study Report, Criterion 5: Resources, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness, Introduction:** The long-term financial health of Colorado Mesa University has changed dramatically over the past decade... Faced with a budget deficit in fiscal year 2003-04, the new administration implemented a budgeting approach that recognized the shift in the University's funding from the State of Colorado to the student was accelerating... The financial scenario has been made even more challenging due to the University's commitment, as a regional public institution, to keep tuition and fee increases at their lowest possible levels.



In spite of these circumstances, however, the University has used its strategic planning process to keep budget priorities focused on CMU's core mission, thereby enabling it to expand and improve the quality of its educational offerings, give annual faculty and staff salary increases, renovate nearly every building on campus, build additional classrooms and residence halls, and invest heavily in technologies to support the work of faculty, staff, and students... In sum, the University has moved forward by evolving into a nimble, adaptable organizational culture that is proactive and responsive to its opportunities and challenges.

## To learn more:

- Click here to <u>read</u> more of the PDF version of the report.
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