PSU's funding request now before you is built on an integrated workforce strategy. There are four areas to our request:

1. Health care needs of the state, focused on healthy aging, adaptive programs, and community health and wellness;
2. Technology, centered on electromechanical technology and robotics;
3. North Country economic and community development, aimed at connecting the northern and southern sections of the state's economy; and
4. Career and workforce development, preparing students for life after college and integrating them into New Hampshire's economic base.

**Nursing Highlight**

To better meet the pressing health care needs of the state, PSU seeks to expand the Nursing Simulation Lab, amplify our focus on rural health nursing, and increase clinical partnerships. Nursing faculty and students will lead and take part in Cluster projects that focus on and take place in the North Country—an area that contains many of the state's most economically challenged communities and where many PSU students are from—to help transform these communities and their businesses.

The PSU Nursing Program was just awarded 10-year accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education after a three-day visit to campus and with our clinical partners. In the spring of 2018, our sixth class graduated and went on to a 100 percent pass rate on its nursing exam. The Department of Nursing is poised and ready for expansion.

Happy 200th anniversary to the New Hampshire State House from PSU!