

Consolidated Financial Statements

June 30, 2021 and 2020

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Board of Trustees Clarkson University:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Clarkson University (the University), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Clarkson University as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.



## Other Matter - Supplemental Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The accompanying information included at Schedule 1 is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.



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# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

June 30, 2021 and 2020

Assets	-	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,369,103	918,109
Accounts receivable, net	•	8,635,615	8,304,534
Deposits with trustee		16,460	299,917
Pledges receivable, net		11,788,226	11,115,196
Notes receivable – students, net		5,393,892	6,295,960
Other assets		3,489,981	3,169,103
Annuity and life income funds held in trust		12,187,993	10,000,304
Investments		232,705,388	190,501,898
Property and equipment, net	_	220,369,957	220,023,616
Total assets	\$ _	497,956,615	450,628,637
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	5,568,474	8,878,072
Deposits and advances		6,362,784	8,970,985
Bank line of credit outstanding		4,800,000	11,500,000
Other liabilities		7,706,302	7,510,590
Accrued postretirement benefits		10,197,153	12,180,475
Long-term debt		81,979,123	73,022,039
Asset retirement obligations		6,296,246	5,951,875
Federal and other loan advances	_	5,726,239	6,729,624
Total liabilities	_	128,636,321	134,743,660
Net assets:			
Without donor restriction		157,934,261	142,396,745
With donor restriction	_	211,386,033	173,488,232
Total net assets	_	369,320,294	315,884,977
Total liabilities and net assets	\$_	497,956,615	450,628,637

### Consolidated Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2021 (with comparative totals for the year ended June 30, 2020)

	1	Without donor	With donor		Total
	_	restriction	restriction	Total	2020
Operating revenues:					
. •	\$	64,164,483	_	64,164,483	69,396,509
Housing, dining, and other auxiliary services	·	28,250,834		28,250,834	28,348,090
Net tuition, fees and other services		92,415,317	_	92,415,317	97,744,599
Government contracts and grants		16,127,041	_	16,127,041	14,737,546
Private gifts and grants		5,887,709	2,057,745	7,945,454	8,598,190
Other sources		2,221,306	_	2,221,306	4,231,698
Allocation of endowment return for spending		8,768,455	_	8,768,455	9,206,083
Net assets released from restrictions	_	272,213	(272,213)		
Total operating revenues		125,692,041	1,785,532	127,477,573	134,518,116
Operating expenses:					
Instruction		54,045,066	_	54,045,066	52,447,868
Research		11,801,897	_	11,801,897	10,981,159
Academic support		14,045,265	_	14,045,265	13,447,980
Student services		21,919,139	_	21,919,139	21,321,090
Institutional support		16,107,377	_	16,107,377	20,279,287
Housing, dining and other auxiliary services	_	15,603,753		15,603,753	14,779,366
Total operating expenses	_	133,522,497		133,522,497	133,256,750
Increase (decrease) from operating activity	_	(7,830,456)	1,785,532	(6,044,924)	1,261,366
Nonoperating activity:					
State grants and contributions for long-term investment		6,300,838	7,289,013	13,589,851	6,807,063
Change in pledges receivable		_	673,030	673,030	5,988,875
Total endowment investment return		13,677,332	36,659,343	50,336,675	2,111,912
Endowment return distributed for operations		(2,423,959)	(6,344,127)	(8,768,086)	(9,206,083)
Net assets released from restrictions – capital		4,309,425	(4,309,425)	_	_
Postretirement related adjustments other than service costs		1,850,951	_	1,850,951	1,516,602
Other nonoperating income (expense)	_	(346,615)	2,144,435	1,797,820	(707,569)
Increase (decrease) from nonoperating activity	_	23,367,972	36,112,269	59,480,241	6,510,800
Change in net assets		15,537,516	37,897,801	53,435,317	7,772,166
Net assets:					
Beginning of year	_	142,396,745	173,488,232	315,884,977	308,112,811
End of year	\$	157,934,261	211,386,033	369,320,294	315,884,977

### Consolidated Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2020

	2020		
	Without donor	With donor	
	restriction	restriction	Total
Operating revenues:			
Tuition and fees, net	\$ 69,396,509	_	69,396,509
Housing, dining, and other auxiliary services	28,348,090		28,348,090
Net tuition, fees and other services	97,744,599	_	97,744,599
Government contracts and grants	14,737,546	_	14,737,546
Private gifts and grants	6,490,206	2,107,984	8,598,190
Other sources	4,231,698	_	4,231,698
Allocation of endowment return for spending	9,206,083	_	9,206,083
Net assets released from restrictions	405,065	(405,065)	
Total operating revenues	132,815,197	1,702,919	134,518,116
Operating expenses:			
Instruction	52,447,868	_	52,447,868
Research	10,981,159	_	10,981,159
Academic support	13,447,980	_	13,447,980
Student services	21,321,090	_	21,321,090
Institutional support	20,279,287	_	20,279,287
Housing, dining and other auxiliary services	14,779,366		14,779,366
Total operating expenses	133,256,750		133,256,750
Increase (decrease) from operating activity	(441,553)	1,702,919	1,261,366
Nonoperating activity:			
State grants and contributions for long-term investment	900,073	5,906,990	6,807,063
Change in pledges receivable	<del>-</del>	5,988,875	5,988,875
Total endowment investment return	717,692	1,394,220	2,111,912
Endowment return distributed for operations	(2,646,241)	(6,559,842)	(9,206,083)
Net assets released from restrictions – capital	4,514,297	(4,514,297)	_
Postretirement related adjustments other than service costs	1,516,602	_	1,516,602
Other nonoperating income (expense)	(349,683)	(357,886)	(707,569)
Increase (decrease) from nonoperating activity	4,652,740	1,858,060	6,510,800
Change in net assets	4,211,187	3,560,979	7,772,166
Net assets:			
Beginning of year	138,185,558	169,927,253	308,112,811
End of year	\$142,396,745	173,488,232	315,884,977

### Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	_	2021	2020
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Change in net assets	\$	53,435,317	7,772,166
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) net cash			
operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization		10,477,211	10,297,522
Gain on disposal of assets		(17,592)	(130,743)
Loss on defeasement of debt		332,428	_
Contributions received for long-term investment		(9,867,860)	(3,073,642)
Contributions received for investment in annuity agreements		(191,687)	(45,000)
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments		(49,975,962)	(1,843,250)
Adjustment on loans receivable		34,126	(6,219)
Asset retirement obligations		376,533	357,507
Amortization of bond premium		(278,525)	(207,126)
Forgiveness of debt Changes in assets and liabilities that effect operating cash flows:		(333,140)	(333,340)
Accounts receivable		(331,081)	(84,604)
Pledges receivable		(673,030)	(5,988,875)
Other assets		(386,239)	422,464
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(1,008,505)	(6,906,560)
Asset retirement obligation		(29,744)	(36,973)
Deposits and advances		(2,608,202)	(194,477)
Other liabilities		195,712	(422,179)
Postretirement benefits		(1,983,322)	(1,873,219)
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Net cash used in operating activities	_	(2,833,562)	(2,296,548)
Cash flows from investing activities:		100 100 100	
Proceeds from maturity/sale of investments		160,133,403	43,759,217
Purchase of investments		(154,548,619)	(37,044,969)
Increase in short-term investments		(7,620)	(12,051)
Decrease in deposits with trustee		283,457	5,657,424
Student loans repaid, net		902,068	1,218,247
Other assets collected		38,855	19,893
Purchase of property and equipment	_	(13,109,471)	(23,990,528)
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(6,307,927)	(10,392,767)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Contributions received for long-term investment		9,867,860	3,073,642
Contributions received for investment in annuity agreements		191,687	45,000
Proceeds from borrowing		24,015,923	<del></del>
Proceeds from bank line of credit		40,300,000	29,000,000
Payments on bank line of credit		(47,000,000)	(22,500,000)
Payment of debt principal		(14,628,333)	(617,449)
Payments for debt issuance costs		(151,269)	(4 704 747)
Changes in government loan funds	_	(1,003,385)	(1,781,747)
Net cash provided by financing activities	_	11,592,483	7,219,446
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		2,450,994	(5,469,869)
Cash and cash equivalents:  Beginning of year		918,109	6,387,978
	<u>-</u>		
End of year	\$ _	3,369,103	918,109
Supplemental disclosures: Interest paid	\$	3,236,972	2,988,281
Noncash transactions:	*	-,,	, ,
Securities contributions		4,195,356	1,828,373
Increase (decrease) in construction-related payables		(2,301,093)	2,652,044

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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## (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## (a) Organization

Clarkson University (the University) is an independent, co-educational, not-for-profit, nonsectarian institution of higher education, with its main campus located in Potsdam, New York. The University, founded in 1896, operates as an education corporation under the New York State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law under the direction of an independent Board of Trustees. The University's Potsdam Campus has a total enrollment of over 4,000 undergraduate students and 500 graduate students in approximately 50 comprehensive programs in business, engineering, science, liberal arts, health sciences, and environmental studies. In addition to its Potsdam Campus, the University's Capital Region Campus (CRC) located in Schenectady, New York, has enrollment of over 300 graduate students in bio-ethics, healthcare management, education, business and engineering. The University also operates the Beacon Institute, Inc. (Beacon) which consists of a campus in Beacon, New York, that serves as both a research institute focused on healthy water solutions and a provider of educational services, including K-12, public, family and professional graduate programs. Beacon has over 180 graduate students enrolled in programs on that campus, as well as in New York City out of classroom space at the American Management Association.

J.R. Weston, Inc. (Weston) is a for-profit, wholly owned subsidiary of the University. Weston operations consist of real estate rentals. All significant inter-entity accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

### (b) Basis of Accounting

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The accompanying consolidated financial statements present information in two classes of net assets: without donor restriction and with donor restriction. The two classes are differentiated by the presence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Net assets having similar characteristics have been classified as follows:

*Net assets without donor restriction* may be designated for specific purposes by the University or may be limited by contractual agreements with outside parties. Without donor restriction net assets include operating, plant, and internally designated plant and funds functioning as endowment funds.

Net assets with donor restriction are subject to donor-imposed or legal stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the University pursuant to those stipulations or that expire with the passage of time. Total return on donor restricted assets are reported as net assets with donor restriction until appropriated by the University's Board of Trustees in accordance with New York State laws.

Net assets with donor restriction also includes those assets that are subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained into perpetuity. These stipulations do not expire with the passage of time and cannot be fulfilled or otherwise removed by the actions of the University. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the University to use all or part of the investment return on these assets to support program activities, principally financial aid and instruction.

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Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless use of the related asset is limited by donor imposed restrictions.

Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restriction. Expirations of donor-imposed stipulations that simultaneously increase one class of net assets and decrease another are reported as reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets as "net assets released from restrictions."

Non-operating activities include net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments, less amounts distributed for operating purposes, contributions for long-term investment such as endowment and capital, postretirement related adjustments other than service costs and the changes in value of deferred gifts.

## (c) Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, as amended, that requires, among other things, a lessee to recognize a right-of-use asset representing an entity's right to use the underlying asset for the lease term and a liability for lease payments on the balance sheet, regardless of classification of a lease as an operating or finance lease. As permitted by the ASU, for leases with a term of twelve months or less as a lessee, the University has elected not to recognize lease assets and liabilities and account for the leases similar to existing guidance for operating leases. The University adopted ASU 2016-02 in fiscal year 2021 using the modified retrospective approach. The guidance did not materially impact the University's results of operations. The University evaluated its leases and determined that they are de-minimus in nature and would not require reporting in the financial statements.

FASB issued ASU 2018-13, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820), and ASU 2018-14, Compensation-Retirement Benefits-Defined Benefit Plans-General (Subtopic 715-20). The guidance was adopted by the University in 2021 and requires disclosure changes only and there is no material impact to the financial statements.

### (d) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Management's most significant use of estimates relate to allowances for receivables, investment valuations, accrued postretirement benefits and asset retirement obligations. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### (e) Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents represent highly liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less that are not part of long-term investment pool.

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## (f) Deposits with Trustee

Deposits with trustee represents funds held in trust that are associated with the University's outstanding bonds. As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the entire balance of \$16,460 and \$299,917, respectively, was comprised of construction funds available for spending.

## (g) Contributions

Contributions, including unconditional pledges, are recognized as revenues when donors' commitments are received. Conditional pledges are recognized as revenues when the conditions are met. Unconditional promises to give cash and other assets are reported at fair value at the date the promise is received except unconditional pledges to be received in future years, which are discounted, as of the date of the contribution, at rates commensurate with the period of time until the pledge is scheduled to be paid and reflecting an allowance for potential collection risk, and are classified as donor restricted. Gifts are reported as donor restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, donor restricted net assets are reclassified to net assets without donor restriction. Contributions specified for the acquisition or construction of long-lived assets are reported as net assets without donor restriction when the assets are placed in service. In the absence of donor stipulations, income and gains on contributions or contributed assets are reported as without donor restriction revenue.

### (h) Investments

Investments are reported at estimated fair value. The values of publicly traded fixed income and equity securities are based on quoted market prices. Nonmarketable securities include alternative investments in hedge, private equity, and other similar funds, which are valued using current estimates of fair value in the absence of readily determinable market values. The University utilizes net asset value or its equivalent (NAV) reported by the fund managers as a practical expedient to fair value. The estimates, because of the inherent uncertainty of valuations for these investments, may differ from the values that would have been used had ready markets existed. As of June 30, 2021, the University had no specific plans or intentions to sell investments at amounts different than NAV.

## (i) Fair Value

GAAP defines fair value and establishes a framework for measuring fair value. The GAAP definition of fair value focuses on the exit price of a financial instrument, which is the price that would be received to sell an asset or settle a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, incorporating a hierarchy of valuation inputs based on the extent to which the inputs are observable in the marketplace. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity and unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about how market participants would value a financial instrument based on the best information available. Valuation techniques used to measure fair value maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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The following describes the hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value and the primary valuation methodologies used by the University for financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible for assets and liabilities at the measurement date. Assets classified as Level 1 generally include listed equity securities and US Treasury Obligations.
- Level 2 observable prices that are based on inputs not quoted in active markets but corroborated by market data. Assets and liabilities classified as Level 2 generally include certain debt securities.
- Level 3 inputs include pricing inputs that are unobservable for the assets and reflect certain assumptions to determine fair value.

Investments in certain funds measured at NAV as a practical expedient to estimate fair value are not classified in the fair value hierarchy table.

## (j) Property and Equipment and Asset Retirement Obligations

Buildings, grounds, equipment, and construction in progress are stated at cost, or, in the case of gifts, at fair value at date of donation, less accumulated depreciation. Expenditures for maintenance, repairs and renewals of relatively minor items are not capitalized. The cost of assets disposed of and related accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts.

The University assesses its long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate potential impairment. The University has determined that no impairment losses need be recognized in the periods presented. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Such assets and lives are generally as follows:

Buildings 20–50 years Equipment 3–20 years

The University accrues for asset retirement obligations in the period in which they are incurred. Beginning with the date identified and through the estimated time of settlement of the obligation, the liability is accreted to its estimated settlement value. Upon settlement of the liability, the University will recognize a gain or loss for any difference between the settlement amount and liability recorded.

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The following is a summary of the activity associated with asset retirement obligations during the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020:

	 2021	2020
Asset retirement obligations at beginning of year	\$ 5,951,875	5,635,019
Remediation	(29,745)	(36,973)
Accretion expense	 374,116	353,829
Asset retirement obligations at end of year	\$ 6,296,246	5,951,875

## (k) Retirement Plans

The University participates in a defined contribution retirement plan. Total expense under this plan, representing the University's contributions to the plan, was \$4,428,631 and \$4,162,171 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

## (I) Income Taxes

The consolidated financial statements include the University and Beacon, which are generally exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Weston is a taxable subsidiary of the University. The income tax attributable to Weston is reflected in these consolidated financial statements but is not material.

The University recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained by a taxing authority and believes it has taken no significant uncertain tax positions.

# (2) Liquidity

As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, financial assets and liquidity resources available within one year for general expenditure, such as operating expenses, scheduled principal payments on debt, and capitalized construction costs not financed with debt, were as follows.

		2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,369,103	918,109
Contributions receivable available for operations due within			
one year		258,294	540,775
University-issued student loan repayments due within one year		1,164,344	90,164
Accounts receivable, net		7,325,160	8,228,199
Short-term investments		687,065	679,445
Board approved endowment appropriation for following year		10,458,915	8,727,958
Total financial assets available within one year	\$_	23,262,881	19,184,650

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The University's cash flows have seasonal variations attributable to timing of tuition and contributions received. To manage liquidity, the University maintains a \$19 million line of credit for immediate liquidity needs. As of June 30, 2021, \$4.8 million of the line of credit had been utilized. The University Board has authorized up to \$6.5 million of internal borrowing against endowed funds until December 31, 2021. This internal loan would be repaid at an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.5% with a LIBOR floor of 1% if drawn. Finally, the University has board-designated endowment funds of approximately \$64 million as of June 30, 2021. Although the University does not intend to spend from its board-designated endowment funds, other than amounts appropriated for operation, amounts could be made available if necessary.

## (3) Investments and Fair Value

# (a) Fair Value

The following table presents the financial instruments carried at fair value as of June 30, 2021, by balance sheet caption, based on the valuation hierarchy defined in note 1(i).

	_	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Measured at NAV	Total
Other assets:						
Short-term investments	\$	687,065	_	_	_	687,065
GATE receivable		<i>'</i> —	_	146,735	_	146,735
Deposits with trustee		16,460	_	_	_	16,460
Annuity and life income funds						
held in trust		_	_	12,187,993	_	12,187,993
Investments:						
Money market and similar		7,218,896				7,218,896
U.S. government securities		21,747,308	_	<u>-</u>	_	21,747,308
Equities:		21,747,300	_	_	_	21,747,300
Domestic		55,768,174	_	_	_	55,768,174
International		7,196,413	_	_	42,574,454	49,770,867
Hedge funds:		, , -			,- , -	-, -,
Multistrategy funds		_	_	_	39,635,445	39,635,445
Private equity		_	_	_	33,479,288	33,479,288
Venture capital		_	_	_	18,911,396	18,911,396
Real assets		_	_	16,000	5,806,992	5,822,992
Life insurance policies	_			351,022		351,022
Investments	_	91,930,791		367,022	140,407,575	232,705,388
Total assets at						
fair value	\$_	92,634,316		12,701,750	140,407,575	245,743,641

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The following table presents the financial instruments carried at fair value as of June 30, 2020, by balance sheet caption, based on the valuation hierarchy defined in note 1(i):

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Measured at NAV	Total
Otherse					
Other assets:					070 445
	\$ 679,445	_		_	679,445
GATE receivable		_	219,716	_	219,716
Deposits with trustee	299,917	_	_	_	299,917
Annuity and life income funds					
held in trust	_	_	10,000,304	_	10,000,304
Investments:					
Money market and similar	55,482	_	_	_	55,482
Fixed income securities:	00,102				00,102
U.S. government securities	16,193,078				16,193,078
Other	77,156	_	_	_	77,156
Equities:	77,100				77,100
Domestic	29,819,295	_	_	_	29,819,295
International	40,175,594	_	_	31,502,720	71,678,314
Hedge funds:	40,170,004			01,002,720	71,070,014
Multistrategy funds			<u></u>	36,319,330	36,319,330
Private equity	_	_	_	20,561,594	20,561,594
Venture capital	_	_	_	10,327,595	10,327,595
Real assets	_	_	16,000		
	_	_		5,130,213	5,146,213
Life insurance policies			323,841		323,841
Investments	86,320,605		339,841	103,841,452	190,501,898
Total assets at					
fair value	\$ 87,299,967	_	10,559,861	103,841,452	201,701,280
iali value	Ψ <u>01,233,301</u>		10,000,001	100,041,402	201,701,200

The methods above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the University believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date. Level 3 includes Annuity and Life Income Funds. The securities underlying these funds include non-marketable securities and marketable equity and debt securities. These financial instruments are held in trust and are considered illiquid.

The University has annuity and life income investments with a net value of \$12,187,993 and \$10,000,304 as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. These funds pass to the University upon the death of the beneficiaries and, in some cases, survivors. As a result, a liability is recorded to reflect the present value of the annuity and life income obligations. The amount of this liability, which is included in other liabilities on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, is \$6,145,158 and \$5,526,171 as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

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The following table is a roll forward of the balance sheet amounts for financial instruments classified by the University within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy defined above.

		Fair value July 1, 2020	Gains (losses) net of fees	Gifts	Distributions/ payments	Present value adjustment	Fair value June 30, 2021
Assets:							
GATE receivable Real assets Annuity and life insurance	\$	219,716 16,000	_	_	(44,215) —	(28,766) —	146,735 16,000
funds Life insurance policies		10,000,304 323,841	2,671,307 27,181	191,687 —	(675,305) —		12,187,993 351,022
Total assets at fair value	\$	10,559,861	2,698,488	191,687	(719,520)	(28,766)	12,701,750
	į	Fair value July 1, 2019	Gains (losses) net of fees	Gifts	Distributions/ payments	Present value adjustment	Fair value June 30, 2020
Assets:	,	July 1, 2019	(losses)	Gifts	payments	value adjustment	June 30, 2020
GATE receivable Real assets	\$		(losses)	Gifts — —		value	
GATE receivable	\$	July 1, 2019 258,683	(losses)	Gifts 45,000	payments	value adjustment	June 30, 2020 219,716
GATE receivable Real assets Annuity and life insurance funds	\$	258,683 16,000 10,427,692	(losses) net of fees  237,081	=	(23,483)	value adjustment	219,716 16,000 10,000,304

## (b) Investment Return

A majority of endowment assets are pooled on a fair value basis, and the University utilizes a total return approach to investments in the endowment pool. This approach considers yield (primarily interest and dividends) as well as the net realized and unrealized gain (loss) in the fair value of pooled investments when determining the spending amount. The unit fair value is used to account for income distributed and pool transactions. Pooled funds were as follows as of June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Investments in pooled funds, at fair value	\$	232,635,867	190,139,395
Total number of units		809,602	803,087
Market value per unit	\$	287.35	236.76

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The University's return on endowment investments was as follows for the years ended June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Investment earnings, net of fees	\$	360,713	268,662
Realized and unrealized gain, net		49,975,962	1,843,250
Total return on investment		50,336,675	2,111,912
Allocation for endowment spending policy		(8,768,086)	(9,206,083)
Nonoperating investment gain (loss)	\$_	41,568,589	(7,094,171)

## (c) Liquidity of Investments

Investments include certain illiquid private equity and venture capital funds. Those investments are illiquid because distributions from them are made upon the liquidation of underlying investments. Also, certain of the University's hedge fund investments are subject to restrictions impacting their liquidity. Those restrictions include contractual lock up provisions, redemption notification requirements, and other restrictions.

Under the terms of certain limited partnership agreements, the University is obligated periodically to advance additional funding. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the University had unfunded commitments of approximately \$32,919,000 and \$32,365,000, respectively, for which capital calls had not been exercised. Such commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses.

Limitations and restrictions on the University's ability to liquidate investments vary by investment type. This can range from no restrictions for publically traded securities, to specific notice periods (generally 30 to 90 days after initial lock-up periods) for certain alternative investments. This also includes dependency on the disposition of portfolio positions and return of capital by the fund manager for private equity, venture capital and real estate limited partnership interests. Investments with daily liquidity generally do not require any notice prior to liquidation.

Detailed liquidity of the University's investments as of June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 is a follows:

			2021					
	_	Daily	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually	Illiquid	Total	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	7,218,896	_	_	_	_	7,218,896	
Fixed income	•	21,747,308	_		_		21,747,308	
Global equities		45,607,695	36,681,254	16,226,300	80,466	_	98,595,715	
Alternative equity		_	20,213,593	10,592,989	8,780,904	6,991,285	46,578,771	
Private equity		_	_	_	_	33,479,288	33,479,288	
Venture capital		_	_	_	_	18,911,396	18,911,396	
Real assets		_	5,806,993	_	_	16,000	5,822,993	
Other	_					351,021	351,021	
Total	\$	74,573,899	62,701,840	26,819,289	8,861,370	59,748,990	232,705,388	

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		2020							
	-	Daily	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually	Illiquid	Total		
Cash and cash									
equivalents	\$	55,482		_	_	_	55,482		
Fixed income		16,270,234	_	_	_	_	16,270,234		
Global equities		42,090,381	24,325,077	3,507,860	71,571	_	69,994,889		
Alternative equity		_	27,152,920	27,676,075	8,214,778	4,778,277	67,822,050		
Private equity		_	_	_	_	20,561,594	20,561,594		
Venture capital		_	_	_	_	10,327,595	10,327,595		
Real assets		_	5,130,213	_	_	16,000	5,146,213		
Other	_					323,841	323,841		
Total	\$	58,416,097	56,608,210	31,183,935	8,286,349	36,007,307	190,501,898		

## (4) Endowment Funds

The University is subject to the New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (NYPMIFA), which governs the management and investment of funds held by not-for-profit corporations and other institutions. Absent donor stipulations to the contrary, the statutory guidelines contained in NYPMIFA relate to the prudent management, investment and expenditure of donor-restricted endowment funds without regard to the original value of the gifts. However, NYPMIFA contains specific factors that must be considered prior to making investment decisions or appropriating funds for expenditure. For accounting purposes, the University applies the concepts included in NYPMIFA and ASC Topic 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*, in its classification of unspent accumulated total return as donor restricted net assets.

The Board of Trustees' interpretation of its fiduciary responsibilities for donor-restricted endowment funds under New York State's Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, including NYPMIFA, is to preserve intergenerational equity to the extent possible by prudently managing, investing, and spending from the endowment funds. This principle holds that future endowment beneficiaries should receive at least the same level of economic support that the current generation receives. As a result of this interpretation, the University classifies as donor restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to a true endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to a true endowment fund, and (c) accumulations to a true endowment fund made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. Unspent appropriations related to donor-restricted endowment funds are classified as donor restricted net assets until the amounts are able to be expended by the University in a manner consistent with the donor's intent.

The Board of Trustees determines the appropriate amount to withdraw from endowment and similar funds on an annual basis to provide support for operations with prudent concern for the long-term growth in the underlying assets as well as the specific factors detailed in NYPMIFA. The Board-approved spending policy is designed to insulate endowment support for programming from short-term fluctuations in capital markets.

Endowment net assets as of June 30, 2021 are approximately \$240,741,000 with approximately \$232,600,000 in endowed investments, \$2,600,000 in assets less liabilities of Weston, and \$5,500,000 due to the endowment.

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Endowment net assets as of June 30, 2020 are approximately \$197,500,000, with approximately \$190,100,000 in endowed investments, \$2,600,000 of internal borrowings for the student center and academic investment programs, \$2,600,000 in assets less liabilities of Weston, and \$4,800,000 due to the endowment.

Endowment net assets consisted of the following as of June 30, 2021:

	_	Without donor restriction	With donor restriction	Total
Donor-restricted	\$		176,961,838	176,961,838
Board-designated	-	63,778,984		63,778,984
Total endowment net assets	\$_	63,778,984	176,961,838	240,740,822

Endowment net assets consisted of the following as of June 30, 2020:

	_	Without donor restriction	With donor restriction	Total
Donor-restricted	\$	_	144,706,968	144,706,968
Board-designated	_	52,775,788		52,775,788
Total endowment net assets	\$_	52,775,788	144,706,968	197,482,756

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended June 30, 2021 were as follows:

	Without donor restriction	With donor restriction	Total
Net assets at June 30, 2020	\$ 52,775,788	144,706,968	197,482,756
Interest and dividends, net of fees Net realized and unrealized gains	86,790 13,590,542	273,923 36,385,420	360,713 49,975,962
Total investment return	13,677,332	36,659,343	50,336,675
Contributions Amounts appropriated for expenditure Amounts appropriated for debt service	— (1,950,251) (723,885)	1,835,655 (6,240,128) —	1,835,655 (8,190,379) (723,885)
Net assets at June 30, 2021	\$ 63,778,984	176,961,838	240,740,822

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Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended June 30, 2020 were as follows:

	_	Without donor restriction	With donor restriction	Total
Net assets at June 30, 2019	\$	54,959,190	146,739,274	201,698,464
Interest and dividends, net of fees Net realized and unrealized gains	_	61,426 656,273	207,236 1,186,977	268,662 1,843,250
Total investment return		717,699	1,394,213	2,111,912
Contributions Amounts appropriated for expenditure Amounts appropriated for debt service Other changes and reclassification	_	(2,202,769) (699,574) 1,242	3,070,664 (6,497,183) — —	3,070,664 (8,699,952) (699,574) 1,242
Net assets at June 30, 2020	\$_	52,775,788	144,706,968	197,482,756

### (a) Endowment Funds with Deficits

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the value of the initial and subsequent donor gift amounts (deficit). These deficits result from unfavorable market fluctuations that occur after the investment of endowment funds or from spending deemed prudent.

When donor-restricted endowment deficits exist, they are classified as a reduction of donor-restricted net assets. Deficits of this nature were as follows for the years ended June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Aggregate amount by which funds are underwater Aggregate of original gift amount	\$	(72,628) 1,700,173	(4,881,907) 57,782,848
Fair value of underwater endowments	\$_	1,627,545	52,900,941

The Board policy is to disburse funds on underwater endowments as if they were not underwater.

Endowment funds are considered to be underwater when their fair value is less than their historical gift amounts. In accordance with the Prudent Management standards contained in NYPMIFA, the University has the ability to spend from individual endowments that are underwater, if it considers such action to be prudent for that particular endowment. In addition, in accordance with the implementation of NYPMIFA in 2011, the University was required to ask certain existing donors if they wished to prevent spending from their endowment if underwater. If the donor had requested spending not occur if their endowment is underwater, the University is required to comply with this request.

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## (b) Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The University has adopted endowment investment and spending policies that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of endowment assets. Under this policy, the return objective for the endowment assets, measured over a full market cycle, shall be to maximize the return against a blended index, based on the endowment's target allocation applied to the appropriate individual benchmarks. The University expects its endowment funds over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 8.0% annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

## (c) Strategies Employed for Achieving Investment Objectives

To achieve its long-term rate of return objectives, the University relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized gains) and current yield (interest and dividends). The University targets a diversified asset allocation that places greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term objectives within prudent risk constraints.

## (d) Endowment Spending Allocation and Relationship of Spending Policy to Investment Objectives

The Board of Trustees determines the appropriate amount to withdraw from endowment and similar funds on an annual basis to provide support for operations with prudent concern for the long-term growth in the underlying assets as well as the specific factors detailed in NYPMIFA. The Board of Trustees of the University determines the method to be used to appropriate endowment funds for expenditure. The 4.52% and 4.95% annual spending rates for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively, are based on a trailing 12-quarter average market value of donor restricted and without donor restriction pooled assets. An additional annual spending of approximately 1% based on the trailing 12-quarter average market value of without donor restriction pooled assets is appropriated for the Board of Trustees approved debt service expenses or capital expenditures. Distributions of earnings from the fund to support expenditures are expected to be equal to or less than actual returns over the same trailing 12-quarters, therefore achieving the financial objective of preserving the value of the fund assets and related revenue stream over time.

## (5) Net Assets

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, net assets were comprised as follows:

	_	Without donor restriction		
	_	2021	2020	
Plant	\$	131,461,029	141,334,119	
Board designated endowment		63,778,984	52,775,788	
Other		(27, 108, 599)	(39,532,687)	
Postretirement benefit obligations	_	(10,197,153)	(12,180,475)	
Total net assets without donor restriction	\$_	157,934,261	142,396,745	

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		With donor restriction		
	_	2021	2020	
Pledges receivable	\$	11,788,226	11,115,196	
Other program restrictions		8,361,157	8,436,368	
Restricted for facilities		4,282,291	1,709,686	
Restricted for student loans		4,461,820	3,637,133	
Life income, annuity, and similar funds		5,530,701	3,882,881	
Endowment funds:				
General operating		62,340,049	51,441,728	
Instruction		54,934,960	45,006,323	
Scholarship		52,683,460	42,806,111	
Program support		3,540,941	2,643,325	
Athletics/extracurricular	_	3,462,428	2,809,481	
Total net assets with donor restriction	\$ _	211,386,033	173,488,232	
	_	With donor	restriction	
	_	2021	2020	
Held in perpetuity	\$	139,599,582	137,465,538	
Time or purpose restricted		71,786,451	36,022,694	
Total	\$_	211,386,033	173,488,232	

## (6) Revenues and Related Receivables

The University recognizes revenue from student tuition and fees within the fiscal year in which educational services are provided. Institutional aid, in the form of scholarships and grants-in-aid, includes amounts funded by the endowment, research funds, and gifts, and reduces the published price of tuition for students receiving such aid. As such, institutional aid is referred to as a tuition discount and represents the difference between the stated charge for tuition and fees and the amount that is billed to the student and/or third parties making payments on behalf of the student.

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The composition of net tuition, fees and other services for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 is summarized as follows:

	_	2021	2020
Tuition and fees	\$	171,739,077	174,127,758
Less university scholarships		(106,900,841)	(104,146,064)
Government funded student aid	_	(673,753)	(585,185)
Tuition and fees, net	_	64,164,483	69,396,509
Housing		18,367,751	16,850,732
Dining		9,870,475	11,417,329
Other auxiliary services	_	12,608	80,029
Housing, dining and other auxiliary services	_	28,250,834	28,348,090
Net tuition, fees and other services	\$	92,415,317	97,744,599

The University has multiple summer sessions with program specific schedules, some of which are 5 week sessions while others are quarterly. Based on the specific program, the summer sessions have varying start and end dates. Payments of tuition for all of the summer terms are recognized as performance obligations are met. Because most of these programs span two reporting periods, a portion of payments for these sessions, ranging from 50% to 100%, are included in deferred revenue at June 30.

### Auxiliary Services Revenue

Auxiliary services exist to furnish goods or services to students, faculty, staff, or incidentally to the general public, and charges a fee directly related to, although not necessarily equal to, the cost of the goods or services. The distinguishing characteristics of auxiliary services is that they are managed as an essentially self-supporting activity.

Auxiliary services revenue includes revenues from contracts with customers to provide student housing and dining facilities, ticket sales for athletic and community events, and other miscellaneous activities.

With the exception of a small commuter student population, all undergraduate students live in University-sponsored housing. Payments for these services are due approximately one week prior to the start of the academic term. Performance obligations for housing and dining services is recognized ratably as services are rendered. For ticket sales and other miscellaneous items, revenue is recognized as the event occurs. Auxiliary service revenue is detailed in the Net Tuition, Fees and Other Services table above.

## Sponsored Awards

The University receives sponsored program funding from various governmental and corporate sources. The funding may represent a reciprocal transaction in exchange for an equivalent benefit in return, or it may be a nonreciprocal transaction in which the resources provided are for the benefit of the University, the funding organization, or the public at large.

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The University has elected the simultaneous release option for conditional contributions that are subject to purpose restrictions. Under this option, net assets without donor restrictions will include the donor-restricted contributions for which the purpose restrictions are met in the same reporting period as the revenue is recognized.

In the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, sponsored programs revenue earned from governmental sources totaled \$16,127,041 and \$14,737,546, respectively. Indirect costs recovered on federally sponsored programs are generally based on predetermined reimbursement rates, which are stated as a percentage and distributed based on the modified total direct costs incurred. The University negotiates this federal indirect rate with its cognizant federal agency. Indirect costs recovered on all other grants and contracts are based on rates negotiated with the respective sponsors. Funds received for sponsored research activity are subject to audit. Based upon information currently available, management believes that any liability resulting from such audits will not materially affect the financial position or operations of the University.

Accounts receivable consisted of the following at June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Student receivable  Less allowance for bad debt	\$	4,111,886 (757,772)	3,482,584 (554,177)
Student receivable, net	_	3,354,114	2,928,407
Research contracts and grants receivable Less allowance for bad debt	_	3,331,729 (62,468)	2,771,105 (84,559)
Research contracts and grants receivable, net		3,269,261	2,686,546
Other receivables	_	2,012,240	2,689,581
Total receivables, net	\$_	8,635,615	8,304,534
Pledges receivable at June 30 are as follows:	_	2021	2020
In less than one year	\$	4,986,141	3,863,158
In one to five years Greater than five years	_	8,028,723 300,000	8,794,469 20,000
Gross receivable		13,314,864	12,677,627
Less present value discount and allowance for doubtful receivables  Net contributions receivable	_ \$ _	(1,526,638) 11,788,226	(1,562,431) 11,115,196

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## (7) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consisted of the following at June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Buildings and grounds	\$	345,797,615	323,501,023
Equipment		48,373,655	46,631,223
Construction in progress	_	5,694,088	18,964,987
Total property and equipment		399,865,358	389,097,233
Less accumulated depreciation	_	(179,495,401)	(169,073,617)
	\$_	220,369,957	220,023,616

Construction in progress is made up of certain projects started but not completed at June 30. The estimated costs to complete these projects, most of which represent costs to be incurred under contracts with vendors, are approximately \$2,900,000. These projects consist of Cheel Center renovations, engineering lab additions, parking lot and grounds improvements and others.

Capitalized interest costs were \$322,148 and \$1,019,430 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Depreciation expense was \$10,477,211 and 10,225,080 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

On February 28, 2020, Clarkson University entered into a 65-year lease agreement with The Quarry Potsdam, LLC., whereby The Quarry Potsdam, LLC will lease from Clarkson University one of its buildings located in downtown Potsdam, known as Old Snell Hall, comprising a total of 88,000 square feet. Under the terms of the lease agreement, The Quarry Potsdam, LLC will pay Clarkson University an annual nominal rent for this space, as well as, renovate the facility turning a majority of the space into affordable housing to be rented to residents of the Potsdam community. Clarkson University will lease back from The Quarry Potsdam, LLC approximately 22,000 square feet that will include a community theatre space, along with space to be utilized by the University's Shipley Center and future incubator endeavors. Renovation of Old Snell Hall started in March 2020 and is expected to be completed by November 2021. Clarkson is expected to begin sub-leasing space within this facility on or about November 2021, for an initial period of 15 years with options to extend up to 65 years.

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## (8) Long-Term Debt

Outstanding debt consisted of the following at June 30:

	_	2021	2020
Clarkson University:			
St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Authority (IDA):			
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2011 (a)	\$	_	13,455,000
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2012A (b)		18,160,000	18,160,000
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2012B (c)		3,000,000	3,000,000
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2017 (d)		29,355,000	30,275,000
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2021A (e)		10,730,000	_
St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds – 2021C (f)		10,295,000	_
City of Schenectady IDA Bonds – 2008A (g)		4,140,000	4,310,000
Empire State Development Corporation (h)		_	333,140
M&T Loan (i)	_	1,083,333	1,166,667
Total outstanding principal		76,763,333	70,699,807
Bond premiums		6,823,145	3,778,318
Bond issuance costs	_	(1,607,355)	(1,456,086)
Total long-term debt	\$_	81,979,123	73,022,039

- (a) These bonds were issued for dormitory upgrades and bear interest at rates ranging from 3.00% to 6.00% and require annual principal payments through September 2041. These bonds were defeased in June 2021 with the issuance of St. Lawrence County IDA Bonds 2021A see note (e).
- (b) These bonds were issued to restructure approximately \$11M of prior debt as well as to complete construction upgrades of campus facilities. They bear interest at rates ranging from 4.00% to 5.25% and require annual principal payments from September 2029 through September 2041.
- (c) These bonds were issued for dormitory upgrades and assumed initial coupon interest at a rate 2.50% until March 1, 2016 then an estimated coupon of 3.36% to March 1, 2020 and then an estimated coupon of 1.55% to maturity. The principal payment of \$3,000,000 is due September 2042.
- (d) The 2017 bonds bear interest at rates ranging from 3.25% to 5.00% and require annual principal payments beginning in September 2020 through September 2047. The bonds are tax-exempt and were issued at a premium of approximately \$3,528,000 and included an underwriter's discount and issuance costs of approximately \$151,000 and \$456,000, respectively. These bonds were issued to complete approximately \$10.5M of facilities upgrades and defease approximately \$20M of prior debt.
- (e) These bonds were issued to restructure approximately \$13,000,000 of prior debt. They bear a 5.00% interest rate and require annual principal and interest payment from September 2030 through 2041. These bonds are tax-exempt and were issued at a premium of approximately \$3,323,000.

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- (f) These are taxable bonds issued to increase the University's operating liquidity by approximately \$10,000,000. The bonds bear interest rates ranging from 1% to 3.75%. They require annual principal payments from June 2023 through June 2042.
- (g) These are Letter of Credit Secured Bonds issued through M&T Bank, under Variable Rate Demand Civic Facility Revenue Bonds. The bonds were issued for facility upgrades and are secured by land and building in the City of Schenectady, New York. The bonds are paid in variable increments through September 1, 2037. Interest is variable and approximates 0.14% at June 30, 2021.
- (h) This was an interest-free mortgage related to the construction of the Center for Advanced Materials Process (CAMP facility). The mortgage required annual principal payments of \$333,340 through January 2021. The principal payments that were due for fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were forgiven by New York State.
- (i) Represents a \$1,250,000 bank loan from M&T bank to purchase and renovate property on Maple Street in Potsdam for use by the University facilities department. Fixed monthly principal payments of \$20,833 begin August 2019 through February 2029. Required monthly interest payments at a fixed rate of 3.37% began in June 2019.

At June 30, 2021, the aggregate amounts of principal and sinking-fund requirements for long-term debt over the next five fiscal years and thereafter are as follows:

	 Amount
Fiscal year:	
2022	\$ 1,623,333
2023	2,138,333
2024	2,208,333
2025	2,268,333
2026	2,358,333
Thereafter	 66,166,668
	\$ 76,763,333

The St. Lawrence County IDA bond agreements include provisions requiring the maintenance of a minimum annual debt service coverage ratio. As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the University is in compliance with these provisions. These balances are secured by the operating and nonoperating revenues of the University.

The University has a \$19,000,000 demand line of credit at a bank with a floating interest rate that is 1.5% above the one month LIBOR rate adjusting daily with a LIBOR floor of 1.00% and an expiration date of April 8, 2022. There was an outstanding balance of \$4,800,000 at June 30, 2021 and \$11,500,000 at June 30, 2020.

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The University has a \$2,000,000 revolving line of credit with a bank related to its procurement card and supplier pay program on which there was an outstanding balance of \$62,523 and \$149,200 as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively, included in accounts payable and accrued expenses on the balance sheets. It is interest free if full payment is received within the monthly billing cycle. The credit line is on an annual automatic renewal.

## (9) Functional Expenses

The statement of activities presents expenses by functional classification. The University also summarizes its expenses by natural classification. The University's primary program services are academic instruction and research. Expenses reported as academic support, student services, institutional support and housing, dining and other auxiliary services are incurred to support these primary program activities.

Operation and maintenance of plant and depreciation expense for land improvements and buildings are allocated based on square footage. Depreciation expense for equipment is allocated based on the functional classifications of the departments in which the equipment is located. Interest expense is allocated based on the functional purpose for which the debt proceeds were used.

Functional expenses for the year ended June 30, 2021 are as follows:

	Salary and wages	Employee benefits	Supplies, services, other	Depreciation and amortization	Interest	Operations and maintenance allocation	Operating expenses
Instruction \$	34,510,675	9,207,984	3,999,964	73,694	407,751	5,844,998	54,045,066
Research	5,229,441	677,667	2,879,283	37,114	34,734	2,943,658	11,801,897
Academic support	6,777,536	2,119,183	3,702,289	14,476	_	1,431,781	14,045,265
Student services funds	8,443,299	3,003,190	6,948,348	24,090	558,407	2,941,805	21,919,139
Institutional support	7,194,474	1,298,966	5,266,019	5,558	359,735	1,982,625	16,107,377
Housing, dining and auxiliary	649,813	173,815	6,711,926	66,771	1,149,147	6,852,281	15,603,753
Operations and maintenance	3,800,535	1,223,285	6,066,263	10,255,508	651,557	(21,997,148)	
2021 Totals \$	66,605,773	17,704,090	35,574,092	10,477,211	3,161,331		133,522,497

Functional expenses for the year ended June 30, 2020 are as follows:

	Salary an	d Employee benefits	Supplies, services, other	Depreciation and amortization	Interest	Operations and maintenance allocation	Operating expenses
Instruction	32,514,04	3 9,216,825	4,620,594	155,046	317,624	5,623,736	52,447,868
Research	4,406,33	5 555,727	3,080,109	78,084	28,678	2,832,226	10,981,159
Academic support	6,267,20	7 2,130,388	3,657,088	15,716	_	1,377,582	13,447,981
Student services funds	8,191,75	0 2,624,851	7,229,188	25,673	419,183	2,830,444	21,321,089
Institutional support	8,047,51	5 2,714,781	7,334,374	5,603	269,441	1,907,573	20,279,287
Housing, dining and auxiliary	764,73	8 189,977	6,240,349	119,854	871,560	6,592,888	14,779,366
Operations and maintenance	4,205,34	3 1,433,273	5,405,989	9,825,103	294,741	(21,164,449)	
2020 Totals	64,396,93	1 18,865,822	37,567,691	10,225,079	2,201,227		133,256,750

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# (10) Postretirement Benefits

The University provides certain health care and sick leave benefits for retired employees. The University's employees may become eligible for those benefits if they reach retirement age while working for the University and meet certain minimum service requirements. The following table sets forth the status of the plan, which is unfunded, as of June 30:

Change in benefit obligation:   Benefit obligation at beginning of year   \$ 12,180,475   14,053,694   Service cost   239,268   217,491   Interest cost   313,055   470,499   Plan participants' contributions   519,966   638,183   Amendments   (2,521,519)   — Actuarial loss (gain)   357,513   (1,987,100)   Benefits paid   (891,605)   (1,212,292)   Benefit obligation at end of year   10,197,153   12,180,475		_	2021	2020
Benefit obligation at beginning of year         \$ 12,180,475         14,053,694           Service cost         239,268         217,491           Interest cost         313,055         470,499           Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —           Actuarial loss (gain)         357,513         (1,987,100)           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Benefit obligation at end of year         10,197,153         12,180,475           Change in plan assets:         —         —         —           Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year         —         —         —           Employer contributions         371,639         574,109         Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)         Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —         —           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —         —         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)             Components of adjustments other than service costs:         \$ 313,055         470,499	Change in benefit obligation:			
Interest cost   313,055   470,499   Plan participants' contributions   519,966   638,183   Amendments   (2,521,519)   — Actuarial loss (gain)   357,513   (1,987,100)   Benefits paid   (891,605)   (1,212,292)   Benefit obligation at end of year   10,197,153   12,180,475      Change in plan assets:   Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year   — — Employer contributions   371,639   574,109   Plan participants' contributions   519,966   638,183   Benefits paid   (891,605)   (1,212,292)      Fair value of plan assets at end of year   — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —		\$	12,180,475	14,053,694
Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —           Actuarial loss (gain)         357,513         (1,987,100)           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Benefit obligation at end of year         10,197,153         12,180,475           Change in plan assets:           Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year         —         —           Employer contributions         371,639         574,109           Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)           Components of adjustments other than service costs:           Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —	Service cost		239,268	217,491
Amendments       (2,521,519)       —         Actuarial loss (gain)       357,513       (1,987,100)         Benefits paid       (891,605)       (1,212,292)         Benefit obligation at end of year       10,197,153       12,180,475         Change in plan assets:         Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year       —       —         Employer contributions       371,639       574,109         Plan participants' contributions       519,966       638,183         Benefits paid       (891,605)       (1,212,292)         Fair value of plan assets at end of year       —       —         Funded status at end of year       \$ (10,197,153)       (12,180,475)         Components of adjustments other than service costs:         Interest cost       \$ 313,055       470,499         Actuarial gains, net       357,513       (1,987,100)         Amendments       (2,521,519)       —         Postretirement related adjustments other than	Interest cost		313,055	470,499
Actuarial loss (gain)         357,513         (1,987,100)           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Benefit obligation at end of year         10,197,153         12,180,475           Change in plan assets:         Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year         —         —           Employer contributions         371,639         574,109           Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)           Components of adjustments other than service costs:         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —	• •		•	638,183
Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Benefit obligation at end of year         10,197,153         12,180,475           Change in plan assets:         —         —           Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year         —         —           Employer contributions         371,639         574,109           Plan participants' contributions         519,966         638,183           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)           Components of adjustments other than service costs:         Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —			,	_
Benefit obligation at end of year   10,197,153   12,180,475	,			,
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Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year       —       —         Employer contributions       371,639       574,109         Plan participants' contributions       519,966       638,183         Benefits paid       (891,605)       (1,212,292)         Fair value of plan assets at end of year       —       —         Funded status at end of year       \$ (10,197,153)       (12,180,475)         Components of adjustments other than service costs:         Interest cost       \$ 313,055       470,499         Actuarial gains, net       357,513       (1,987,100)         Amendments       (2,521,519)       —         Postretirement related adjustments other than	Benefit obligation at end of year		10,197,153	12,180,475
Employer contributions       371,639       574,109         Plan participants' contributions       519,966       638,183         Benefits paid       (891,605)       (1,212,292)         Fair value of plan assets at end of year       —       —         Funded status at end of year       \$ (10,197,153)       (12,180,475)         Components of adjustments other than service costs:         Interest cost       \$ 313,055       470,499         Actuarial gains, net       357,513       (1,987,100)         Amendments       (2,521,519)       —         Postretirement related adjustments other than	Change in plan assets:			
Plan participants' contributions         519,966 (891,605)         638,183           Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)           Components of adjustments other than service costs:           Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —	Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year		_	_
Benefits paid         (891,605)         (1,212,292)           Fair value of plan assets at end of year         —         —           Funded status at end of year         \$ (10,197,153)         (12,180,475)           2021         2020           Components of adjustments other than service costs:           Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —	• •		371,639	574,109
Fair value of plan assets at end of year  Funded status at end of year  \$\frac{(10,197,153)}{(12,180,475)}\$\$\$ \frac{(12,180,475)}{(12,180,475)}\$\$\$\$ \frac{2020}{(12,180,475)}\$\$\$ Components of adjustments other than service costs:  Interest cost Actuarial gains, net Amendments  \$\frac{313,055}{313,055}\$\$\$ \frac{470,499}{357,513}\$\$\$ \frac{(1,987,100)}{(1,987,100)}\$\$\$ \text{Amendments}\$\$\$\$ \frac{2,521,519}{(2,521,519)}\$\$\$ \text{-}\$	Plan participants' contributions		519,966	638,183
Funded status at end of year \$\frac{10,197,153}{2021}\$ \frac{2020}{2020}\$  Components of adjustments other than service costs:  Interest cost \$ 313,055 470,499  Actuarial gains, net 357,513 (1,987,100)  Amendments (2,521,519) —  Postretirement related adjustments other than	Benefits paid	_	(891,605)	(1,212,292)
Components of adjustments other than service costs:  Interest cost \$ 313,055 470,499  Actuarial gains, net 357,513 (1,987,100)  Amendments (2,521,519) —  Postretirement related adjustments other than	Fair value of plan assets at end of year	_	<u> </u>	
Components of adjustments other than service costs:  Interest cost \$ 313,055 470,499  Actuarial gains, net 357,513 (1,987,100)  Amendments (2,521,519) —  Postretirement related adjustments other than	Funded status at end of year	\$_	(10,197,153)	(12,180,475)
Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —   Postretirement related adjustments other than		_	2021	2020
Interest cost         \$ 313,055         470,499           Actuarial gains, net         357,513         (1,987,100)           Amendments         (2,521,519)         —   Postretirement related adjustments other than	Components of adjustments other than service costs:			
Actuarial gains, net 357,513 (1,987,100) Amendments (2,521,519) —  Postretirement related adjustments other than		\$	313.055	470,499
Amendments (2,521,519) —  Postretirement related adjustments other than		•	•	•
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·	Postretirement related adjustments other than			
	•	\$	(1,850,951)	(1,516,601)

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The valuation reflects a change in the retiree contribution projection. This change reflects the University's new policy and recent administrative practice of keeping retiree contributions at a certain percentage of claims in each future year. This change resulted in a liability reduction of \$2,5521,519 as of June 30, 2021 and is reflected as a negative plan amendment. This plan amendment will be amortized in expense over 7.19 years beginning in fiscal year 2022.

	 2021	2020
Discount rates:		
Year end benefit obligation	2.70 %	2.60 %
Net periodic benefit cost	2.60	3.40
Components of net periodic benefit cost:		
Service cost	\$ 239,268	217,491
Interest cost	313,055	470,499
Amortization of net gain	(348,500)	(133,908)
Amortization of prior service credit	 (872,279)	(872,279)
Net periodic benefit	\$ (668,456)	(318,197)

## Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The following estimated benefit payments, net of plan participant contributions are expected:

	_	Estimated benefit payments
2022	\$	311,947
2023		324,510
2024		321,648
2025		332,305
2026		354,706
2027–2031		2,100,637

For measurement purposes, a 5.5% and a 3.5% annual rate of increase in the per capita cost of covered health care and dental benefits, respectively, was assumed as of June 30, 2021. The health care rate was assumed to decrease each year through 2035 to 4.8% and remain at that level thereafter while the dental rate trend remains constant for all years.

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# (11) Commitments and Contingencies

The University is subject to various claims and lawsuits arising during the normal course of business. In management's opinion, the resolution of these matters will not have a significant adverse effect on the University's financial position, operations, or cash flows.

The University partially retains the risk for medical insurance. The University carries stop/loss insurance that covers medical and prescription drug claims that exceed the annual aggregate attachment point of approximately \$9,876,975 and \$12,187,029 in 2021 and 2020, respectively. The attachment point for any individual claim is \$175,000. The University's estimated liability for its retained risk under these policies amounted to approximately \$498,000 and \$943,000 as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively, and is recorded within other liabilities on the balance sheets.

## (12) Risk and Uncertainties Amid Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19)

In March 2020, the World Health Organization classified the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak as a pandemic. Although it is not possible to determine the pandemic's ultimate length, severity, or impacts on the economy or the University's finances, the University could experience material adverse effects posed by the risks related to COVID-19.

As a result of the pandemic, beginning in March 2020, the University suspended in-person education and other campus-based activities for the spring 2020 semester, resulting in foregone revenues. The University resumed in-person and hybrid operations for the fall 2020 and spring 2021 semesters, resulting in approximately 300 fully online students in the fall and 170 in the spring causing forgone auxiliary service revenue as well as revenue from campus events and activities. Although the University incurred certain incremental costs due to the pandemic, including transitioning to online education and work environments, it also experienced reductions in certain other recurring costs, such as travel and utilities.

Within the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the University received \$4,322,873 in CARES Act, including funding to assist with aid provided to students. The funds were recorded as Government Grants and Contracts in operating revenues. The University awarded \$1,522,534 of direct student support and recorded recovery of \$2,444,527 of COVID related expenses and \$355,812 of COVID related lost revenue.

Within the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the University received \$2,590,707 in CARES Act funding and \$395,625 in private donations to assist with aid provided to students. The University refunded \$3,047,920 of amounts collected for student housing and disbursed \$1,946,241 on emergency student food relief payments. Additionally, the University offered discounted summer tuition which amounted to \$1,574,947 in foregone revenue.

The pandemic could continue to materially affect the University's ability to conduct its operations, the cost of its operations, and the generation of certain revenue, including from enrollment, campus housing, and other operating activities, as well as from financial markets and fundraising, and such effects could be consequential to the University. The full extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the University will depend on various future developments, particularly the duration and depth of the pandemic, which may be influenced by applicable health and safety regulations.

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# (13) Subsequent Events

The University has evaluated subsequent events through October 22, 2021, the date on which the consolidated financial statements were issued. The University has forward funded the defeasance of the 2012A bonds as of June 30, 2021. The forward funding anticipates closing in December 2021 with full defeasance of \$18,160,000 of long-term debt as of the call date of March 1, 2022. The University is not aware of any additional subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

Consolidating Balance Sheet June 30, 2021

Organization Holding Certificate of

	_	Exemption	Affiliates			
Assets	_	Clarkson University	JR Weston, Inc.	Beacon Institute, Inc.	Eliminating Entries	Consolidated
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,443,258	903,349	22,496	_	3,369,103
Accounts receivable, net		8,647,812	15,633	_	(27,830)	8,635,615
Deposits with trustee		16,460	_	_		16,460
Pledges receivable, net		11,788,226	_	_	_	11,788,226
Notes receivable – students, net		5,393,892	_	_	_	5,393,892
Other assets		3,308,757	181,224	_	_	3,489,981
Annuity and life income funds held in trust		12,187,993	_	_	_	12,187,993
Investments		232,705,388	_	_	_	232,705,388
Property and equipment, net	_	218,744,061	1,625,896			220,369,957
Total assets	\$_	495,235,847	2,726,102	22,496	(27,830)	497,956,615
Liabilities and Net Assets						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	5,563,792	12,220	20,292	(27,830)	5,568,474
Deposits and advances		6,362,784	_	_	` _	6,362,784
Other liabilities		7,652,733	53,569	_	_	7,706,302
Bank line of credit outstanding		4,800,000	_	_	_	4,800,000
Accrued postretirement benefits		10,197,153	_	_	_	10,197,153
Long-term debt		81,979,123	_	_	_	81,979,123
Asset retirement obligations		6,263,961	32,285	_	_	6,296,246
Federal and other loan advances	_	5,726,239				5,726,239
Total liabilities		128,545,785	98,074	20,292	(27,830)	128,636,321
Net assets:						
Without donor restrictions		155,304,028	2,628,029	2,204	_	157,934,261
With donor restrictions	_	211,386,033				211,386,033
Total net assets	_	366,690,061	2,628,029	2,204		369,320,294
Total liabilities and net assets	\$_	495,235,846	2,726,103	22,496	(27,830)	497,956,615

See accompanying independent auditors' report.