Programs

**INSTRUCTION:**
This category includes expenditures for general academic instruction, vocational technical instruction, special session instruction, continuing education, and remedial instruction. It includes expenditures for department chairpersons but does not include expenditures for academic deans.

**RESEARCH:**
The research category includes expenditures for activities specifically organized to produce research, whether commissioned by an agency external to the institution or separately budgeted by an organizational unit within the institution. Most of the budget of the Agricultural Experiment Station is recorded as research and is the biggest research component of the current unrestricted funds of the Montana University System.

**PUBLIC SERVICE:**
This category includes expenditures for community service, cooperative extension services, and public broadcasting services. The largest component of current unrestricted public service expenditures is the Extension Service. Also included in this category are expenses for the Montana Repertory Theatre, KUFM and KUSM.

**ACADEMIC SUPPORT:**
This category of support includes expenditures for support of higher education's primary missions of instruction, research, and public service, as well as the retention, preservation, and display of educational materials. Typical expenditures include educational media services, academic administration, sabbaticals, and course and curriculum development.

**STUDENT SERVICES:**
Student Services includes expenditures for student services administration, social and cultural development, counseling, career guidance and placement, financial aid administration, student admissions and recruitment, and student records. Expenditures for athletics are recorded in this program.

**INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT:**
Institutional Support is the program where most "administrative" expenditures are recorded. Expenditures for executive-level activities concerned with management and planning for the institution, legal services, fiscal operations, administrative data processing, employee personnel and records, purchasing, support services for faculty and staff, development, and alumni relations.

**OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANT:**
This category includes expenditures for physical plant administration, building maintenance, custodial services, utilities, landscape and grounds maintenance, repairs, and minor renovations.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**
Fee waivers are recorded in this program, as authorized by the Board of Regents. It also includes campus discretionary waivers.