Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Consolidated Financial Statements June 30, 2011 and 2010

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Trustees of Worcester Polytechnic Institute

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position and the related consolidated statements of activities and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and its subsidiaries (the "University") at June 30, 2011 and 2010, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the University's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Pricewatchouse Coopers LLP

October 31, 2011

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Consolidated Statements of Financial Position June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands)

	2011	2010
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 28,947	\$ 20,048
Accounts receivable, net	4,927	4,622
Contributions receivable, net	11,580	17,570
Funds held under bond agreements	34,600	52,993
Prepaid expenses and other assets	5,975	4,918
Student loans receivable, net	22,999	22,551
Beneficial interest in trusts	17,977	16,074
Investments	401,702	333,515
Land, buildings and equipment, net	 212,252	191,305
Total assets	\$ 740,959	\$ 663,596
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	20,370	17,931
Deposits and deferred revenue	7,706	7,889
Split-interest agreements	10,237	9,532
Funds held for others	3,494	2,857
Asset retirement obligations	5,107	5,049
Refundable government loan funds	6,792	6,792
Bonds and notes payable	202,682	204,450
Interest rate agreements	 7,593	 8,882
Total liabilities	 263,981	263,382
Net assets		
Unrestricted	239,085	197,122
Temporarily restricted	100,812	78,613
Permanently restricted	 137,081	124,479
Total net assets	 476,978	400,214
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 740,959	\$ 663,596

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Consolidated Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2011 (in thousands)

	Unre	estricted		mporarily estricted		manently estricted		Total
Operating revenues								
Tuition and fees	\$	151,259	\$	-	\$	-	\$	151,259
Less: Unrestricted student aid		49,994		-		-		49,994
Endow ed scholarships		5,619		-		-		5,619
Externally funded student aid		3,425				-		3,425
Total student aid		59,038		-		-		59,038
Net tuition and fees		92,221		-		-		92,221
Other educational activities		11,709		-		-		11,709
Contributions		2,685		1,675		-		4,360
Contract and exchange transactions		23,378		=		-		23,378
Investment income on endow ment and similar funds		1,930				87		2,017
Net realized gains on endow ment used for operations		8,624		7,385		-		16,009
Other investment income		2,698		517		48		3,263
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises		19,639		-		-		19,639
Other		1,844	_	-	_		_	1,844
Total revenues		164,728		9,577		135		174,440
Net assets released from restriction		11,693		(11,693)		-		-
Total revenues and other support		176,421		(2,116)		135		174,440
Operating expenses								
Instruction and department research		60,966		-		-		60,966
Sponsored research and other sponsored programs		15,899		-		-		15,899
External relations		7,517		=		-		7,517
Institution and academic support		32,717		-		-		32,717
Student services		9,096		-		-		9,096
Operation and maintenance of plant		27,410		-		-		27,410
Auxiliary enterprises		8,837	_	-				8,837
Total operating expenses		162,442		-		-		162,442
Change in net assets from operating activities		13,979		(2,116)		135		11,998
Nonoperating								
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments		34,620		31,714		-		66,334
Net realized gains on endow ment used for operations		(8,624)		(7,385)		-		(16,009)
Provision for underwater funds		3,243		(3,243)		-		-
Net unrealized gains on beneficial interest in trusts		· -		558		1,252		1,810
Change in value of split-interest agreements		(496)		(326)		· -		(822)
Contributions		` -		2,997		11,215		14,212
Net realized and unrealized losses on interest rate agreements		(759)		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		(759)
Change in net assets from nonoperating activities		27,984		24,315		12,467		64,766
Total change in net assets		41,963		22,199		12,602		76,764
Net assets, beginning of year		197,122		78,613		124,479		400,214
Net assets, end of year	\$	239,085	\$	100,812	\$	137,081	\$	476,978

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Consolidated Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2010 (in thousands)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Operating revenues				
Tuition and fees	\$ 139,443	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139,443
Less: Unrestricted student aid	45,121	-	<u> </u>	45,121
Endow ed scholarships	5,763	-	-	5,763
Externally funded student aid	4,973			4,973
Total student aid	55,857			55,857
Net tuition and fees	83,586	-	-	83,586
Other educational activities	10,361	-	-	10,361
Contributions	1,958	1,260	-	3,218
Contract and exchange transactions	21,900	-	=	21,900
Investment income on endow ment and similar funds	2,246	18	93	2,357
Net realized gains on endow ment used for operations	8,465	7,770		16,235
Other investment income	3,011	242	47	3,300
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises Other	18,155 2,032	-	-	18,155 2,032
Total revenues	151,714	9,290	140	161,144
Net assets released from restriction	18,573	(18,573)		
Total revenues and other support	170,287	(9,283)	140	161,144
Operating expenses				
Instruction and department research	56,180	-	_	56,180
Sponsored research and other sponsored programs	14,246	-	-	14,246
External relations	6,718	-	-	6,718
Institution and academic support	31,347	-	-	31,347
Student services	9,042	-	-	9,042
Operation and maintenance of plant	26,052	-	-	26,052
Auxiliary enterprises	8,149			8,149
Total operating expenses	151,734			151,734
Change in net assets from operating activities	18,553	(9,283)	140	9,410
Nonoperating				
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	14,663	13,426	128	28,217
Net realized gains on endow ment used for operations	(8,465)	(7,770)	-	(16,235)
Provision for underwater funds	728	(728)	=	-
Net unrealized gains on beneficial interest in trusts	-	203	2,385	2,588
Change in value of split-interest agreements	54	22	-	76
Contributions	- (4.040)	3,430	8,491	11,921
Net realized and unrealized losses on interest rate agreements	(4,213)			(4,213)
Change in net assets from nonoperating activities	2,767	8,583	11,004	22,354
Total change in net assets	21,320	(700)	11,144	31,764
Net assets, beginning of year	175,802	79,313	113,335	368,450
Net assets, end of year	\$ 197,122	\$ 78,613	\$ 124,479	\$ 400,214

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands)

		2011		2010
Cash flows from operating activities				
Change in net assets	\$	76,764	\$	31,764
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	· · · · · ·
net cash provided by operating activities				
Depreciation, amortization, and accretion		14,808		13,791
Provision for uncollectible receivables		1,011		(185)
Net realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments		(68,144)		(30,805)
Net unrealized loss on interest rate agreements		759		4,213
Contributions other than cash		(9,885)		(745)
Contributions restricted for long-term investment		(4,480)		(11,084)
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		(647)		(572)
Contributions receivable		1,041		2,532
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(988)		273
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(5,135)		865
Deposits and deferred revenue		(113)		636
Asset retirement obligations		(60)		(97)
Split-interest agreements		249		(1,026)
Funds held for others		341		36
Total adjustments		(71,243)		(22,168)
Net cash provided by operating activities	,	5,521		9,596
Cash flows from investing activities				
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments		144,008		81,978
Purchase of investments		(135,410)		(69,252)
Purchase of land, buildings, and equipment		(26,801)		(16,124)
Proceeds from bonds deposited with trustees		-		(56,074)
Use of funds held under bond agreements		18,393		3,535
Disbursement of loans to students		(3,812)		(3,947)
Repayment of loans from students		3,028		3,038
Net cash used in investing activities		(594)		(56,846)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Contributions restricted for long-term investment		9,096		6,543
Deferred financing costs		-		(604)
Realized loss on interest rate agreements		(2,048)		(2,068)
Proceeds from long-term debt		-		63,931
Repayment of long-term debt		(3,076)		(11,645)
Net cash provided by financing activities		3,972		56,157
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	,	8,899		8,907
Cash and cash equivalent at beginning of year		20,048		11,141
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	28,947	\$	20,048
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information				
Interest paid	\$	9,708	\$	6,304
Contributed securities	\$	9,422	\$	-
Gifts-in-kind	\$	335	\$	480
Purchases of buildings and equipment included in accounts payable	\$	9,885	\$	3,888
Increase in investment funded through debt	\$	-	\$	7,862
Debt financed acquistion (see Note 13)	\$	-	\$	1,766
Leased equipment	\$	1,365	\$	803

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1. Organization

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (the "University"), founded in 1865, is the nation's third oldest private engineering university. Approximately 4,500 undergraduate and graduate students attend the University annually. The University is located in Worcester, Massachusetts and serves a diverse student body from almost every state and over 70 foreign countries.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting with net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the University and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Permanently Restricted

Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that the assets be maintained permanently by the University. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the University to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

Temporarily Restricted

Net assets whose use is restricted by state law or subject to donor-imposed stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the University pursuant to these stipulations or that expire by the passage of time.

Unrestricted

Net assets not subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board of Trustees or may otherwise be limited by contractual agreements with outside parties.

Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the University and its wholly owned or controlled subsidiaries as follows.

Newgate Properties, LLC ("Newgate")

Newgate owns and operates an approximately 124,600 square foot life sciences and bioengineering facility located in the Gateway Park area of Worcester. The University occupies approximately 90% of the new facility with the remaining 10% being leased to other entities.

Gateway Park, LLC ("Gateway")

Gateway owns land located in the Gateway Park area of Worcester. On March 26, 2010, the University became the sole member of Gateway and has consolidated its accounts in the accompanying consolidated financial statements (see Note 13).

Washburn Park, Inc. ("Washburn")

Washburn is a not-for-profit corporation created on March 26, 2010 to own and manage a parking garage located in the Gateway Park area of Worcester that was previously owned and managed by New Garden Park, Inc. ("New Garden Park") (see Note 13).

75 Grove Street, LLC ("Grove Street")

In 2008, the University purchased a vacant parcel of land for future development purposes from Gateway Park, LLC located at 75 Grove Street in Worcester.

Intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Classifications

Revenues are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed restrictions or by law. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Gains and losses on investments and other assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law. Expirations of temporary restrictions on net assets (that is, the donor-stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as net assets released from restrictions between the applicable classes of net assets.

Operating and Nonoperating Activities

In the consolidated statements of activities, the University has defined its primary activities between operating and nonoperating. Operating activities consist primarily of activities supporting the educational mission and purpose of the University. Nonoperating activities consist primarily of unspent appreciation on endowment, change in value of split-interest agreements, net contributions for endowment and capital use, and gains or losses on interest rate swap agreements.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The University's significant estimates include the valuation of its investments as well as the estimated net realizable value of receivables for contributions, gifts, pledges, student loans, accounts and other receivables, the estimated useful lives of buildings and equipment, and its liabilities for its asset retirement obligations and its split-interest agreements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial Instruments

The University uses fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. The fair value of a financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is best determined based on quoted market prices. However, in many instances, there are no quoted market prices for the University's various financial instruments. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the instrument.

The University groups its financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value.

Level 1: Valuation is based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Valuation is based on observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially similar assets or liabilities.

Level 3: Valuation is based on unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

The University's financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are classified using the above fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2011 and 2010 as follows (in thousands):

	2011								
Assets	Level 1		ı	_evel 2		Level 3	Total		
Funds held under bond agreements	\$	34,600	\$	-	\$	-	\$	34,600	
Investments									
Cash and cash equivalents		4,127				-		4,127	
Equity securities		137,464		7,530		-		144,994	
Fixed income securities Commodities		42,365		295		-		42,660	
Alternative investments		7,960		8,736		-		16,696	
Equity funds		_		_		93,234		93,234	
Fixed income funds		_		_		30,972		30,972	
Private equity funds		_		_		39,315		39,315	
Real estate		_		7,652		22,052		29,704	
Total investments		191,916		24,213		185,573		401,702	
rotal invocation.		101,010		21,210		100,010		101,702	
Beneficial interest in trusts		-		-		17,977		17,977	
Total assets at fair value	\$	226,516	\$	24,213	\$	203,550	\$	454,279	
Liabilities	_								
Interest rate agreements	\$		\$	(3,644)	\$	(3,949)	\$	(7,593)	
				20	10				
Assets	_	Level 1	ı	_evel 2		Level 3		Total	
Funds held under bond agreements	\$	52,993	\$	-	\$	-	\$	52,993	
Investments									
Cash and cash equivalents		3,944		-		-		3,944	
Equity securities		99,459		12,125		-		111,584	
Fixed income securities		27,325		12,691		-		40,016	
Commodities		5,910		4,392		-		10,302	
Alternative investments									
Equity funds		-		-		73,889		73,889	
Fixed income funds		-		-		28,861		28,861	
Private equity funds		-		-		36,414		36,414	
Real estate		-		8,052		20,453		28,505	
Total investments		136,638		37,260		159,617		333,515	
Beneficial interest in trusts		-		-		16,074		16,074	
Total assets at fair value	\$	189,631	\$	37,260	\$	175,691	\$	402,582	
Liabilities	_								

The following table summarizes the changes in the Level 3 financial instruments carried at fair value during the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

			Α	Iternative I	nve	stments				
				Fixed		Private				Total
		Equity		Income		Equity				ternative
		Funds		Funds		Funds	Re	al Estate	lnv	estments
Fair value, June 30, 2009 Net realized and unrealized	\$	55,212	\$	17,558	\$	38,757	\$	11,670	\$	123,197
gains (losses)		6,123		4,707		4,350		(1,924)		13,256
Purchases		25,000		7,000		2,551		11,107		45,658
Sales and settlements		(12,446)		(404)		(9,244)		-		(22,094)
Transfers		-		-		-		(400)		(400)
Fair value, June 30, 2010		73,889		28,861		36,414		20,453		159,617
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)		9,856		8,177		11,570		125		29,728
Purchases		14,234		-		2,166		1,601		18,001
Sales and settlements		(4,745)		(6,066)		(10,835)		(127)		(21,773)
Fair value, June 30, 2011	\$	93,234	\$	30,972	\$	39,315	\$	22,052	\$	185,573
		·								
	In	eneficial terest in Trusts		Total Level 3 Assets				nterest Rate eements	L	Total Level 3 iabilities
Fair value, June 30, 2009 Net realized and unrealized	\$	13,379	\$	136,576			\$	(3,380)	\$	(3,380)
gains (losses)		2,587		15,843				(1,256)		(1,256)
Purchases		126		45,784				-		-
Sales and settlements		(18)		(22,112)				-		-
Transfers		-		(400)				-		<u>-</u>
Fair value, June 30, 2010		16,074		175,691				(4,636)		(4,636)
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)		1,810		31,538				687		687
Purchases		389		18,390				-		-
Sales and settlements		(296)		(22,069)				_		_
Fair value, June 30, 2011	\$	17,977	\$	203,550			\$	(3,949)	\$	(3,949)

In the consolidated statement of activities for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, net realized and unrealized gains and losses on Level 3 financial assets are included in nonoperating net realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments and net unrealized gains and losses on beneficial interest in trusts. Net realized and unrealized losses on Level 3 financial liabilities are included in nonoperating net realized and unrealized losses on interest rate agreements.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 investments for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010. For the year ended June 30, 2010, real estate valued at \$400,000 was transferred to Level 2 from Level 3 as the University had received an offer to purchase.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of reporting cash flows, the University considers all short-term highly liquid investments to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist of time deposits and short-term investments with maturities at the date of purchase of ninety days or less, stated at cost, which approximates fair value. Certain balances meeting the definition of cash and cash equivalents are classified as investments as a result of the University's intent to segregate funds from cash available for current operations.

The University's banking activity, including cash and cash equivalents, is maintained with one regional bank and from time to time exceeds federal insurance limits. It is the University's policy to monitor the bank's financial strength on an ongoing basis.

Contributions

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Contributions subject to donor-imposed stipulations that are met in the same reporting period are reported as unrestricted support. Promises to give that are scheduled to be received after the fiscal year-end are shown as increases in temporarily restricted net assets and are reclassified to unrestricted net assets when the purpose or time restrictions are met. Promises to give subject to donor-imposed stipulations that the corpus be maintained permanently are recognized as increases in permanently restricted net assets. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until they become unconditional, that is when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of the gift. Contributions that are expected to be collected after one year are recorded at the present value of estimated future cash flows. The discount rates used range from approximately .92% to 8%. Amortization of the discount is recorded as additional contribution revenue in the applicable net asset class.

The carrying amount of contributions receivable approximates fair value as such amounts are recorded net of an allowance for uncollectibles and a discount to their present value. The allowance for uncollectible contributions receivable is based upon management's judgment including such factors as prior collection history, type of contribution and nature of fundraising activity.

The University reports contributions of land, buildings, or equipment as unrestricted support unless the donor places restrictions on their use. Contributions of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as unrestricted support provided the long-lived assets are placed in service in the same reporting period, otherwise, the contributions are reported as temporarily restricted support until the assets are acquired and placed in service and then, such amounts are reclassified to unrestricted net assets.

Deferred Financing Costs

Included in prepaid expenses and other assets are deferred financing costs that are being amortized over the life of the related bonds.

For the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, deferred financing costs, net totaled approximately \$2,428,000 and \$2,502,000 respectively. Amortization expense for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was approximately \$74,000 and \$71,000, respectively. The estimated amortization expense for deferred financing costs for the next five years is approximately \$74,000 annually.

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value and are comprised of the assets of the University's endowment and similar funds, and split-interest agreements. Endowment funds are subject to the restrictions of gift instruments requiring that the principal be invested in perpetuity and that only income be utilized. Funds functioning as endowment, also known as quasi-endowment funds, have been established by the Board of Trustees for the same purposes as endowment funds. However, any portion of the funds functioning as endowment may be expended with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Assets of the endowment and similar funds are pooled on a market value basis with each individual fund subscribing to or disposing of units on the basis of the market value per unit at the beginning of the quarterly period within which the transactions take place. Endowment income is distributed based on the number of units subscribed to at the end of each month. In addition, the University maintains separately invested funds as stipulated by donors.

Gains or losses on investments are reported in the consolidated statement of activities as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is temporarily or permanently restricted by explicit donor stipulations or by law. Investment income is recorded in unrestricted net assets unless its use is temporarily or permanently restricted by explicit donor stipulations.

Land, Buildings and Equipment

Land, buildings and equipment are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition or, if received as a gift, at the estimated fair value at the date of the gift. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is recorded. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Library books are expensed as incurred due to their short-term life and low cost per volume.

Depreciation expense is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives using a half-year convention beginning in the year of acquisition or capitalization of construction in progress. Estimated useful lives are periodically reviewed and, when appropriate, changes are made prospectively. When certain events or changes in operating conditions occur, asset lives may be adjusted and an impairment assessment may be performed on the recoverability of the carrying amounts.

Useful lives are as follows:

Land improvements 10 to 20 years
Buildings and improvements 20 to 40 years
Equipment 3 to 10 years

Split-Interest Agreements

The University is a recipient of funds under perpetual trust and irrevocable split-interest agreements, the income on which may be restricted by the donor. Amounts held by third-party trustees in perpetuity for the benefit of the University are reported at their fair value. Under the terms of these agreements, the University has the irrevocable right to its share of the income earned on the trust assets. Amounts received under split-interest agreements, including charitable gift annuities, charitable lead trusts, charitable remainder trusts, and pooled income arrangements, may be invested by the University or third-party trustees, and at the end of each agreement's term are distributed either to the University or other beneficiaries. Annual distributions to beneficiaries may be for a specified dollar amount or a percentage of the trust's fair value. Upon receipt, gifts requiring the University or trustee to pay donors a specified periodic amount are recorded at fair value with corresponding estimated liabilities for future amounts payable to other beneficiaries, where applicable. The liabilities associated with these gifts are adjusted during the term of these gift instruments. The University is aware of certain split-interest arrangements in which it has been named as beneficiary and has adopted a policy that until such amounts are estimable and probable, such amounts are not recognized in the financial statements. The present value of payments to beneficiaries under split-interest arrangements is calculated using discount rates in effect at the date of the gift; these rates range from approximately 2% to 11.6%.

Asset Retirement Obligations

An asset retirement obligation ("ARO") is a legal obligation associated with the retirement of long-lived assets. These liabilities are initially recorded at fair value and the related asset retirement costs are capitalized by increasing the carrying amount of the related assets by the same amount as the liability. Asset retirement costs are subsequently depreciated over the useful lives of the related assets. Subsequent to initial recognition, the University records period-to-period changes in the ARO liability resulting from the passage of time or revisions to either the timing or the amount of the original estimate of undiscounted cash flows. The University derecognizes ARO liabilities when the related obligations are settled.

Tax-Exempt Status

The University is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and is generally exempt from income taxes pursuant to Section 501 (a) of the Code.

Sponsored Research

Revenues associated with research and other contracts and grants at the University are recognized as related costs are incurred. Indirect cost recovery by the University is based on a predetermined rate.

Reclassification

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

3. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of the following at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011			2010		
Sponsored research	\$	2,115	\$	2,470		
Student receivables		2,140		2,286		
Other receivables		1,348		486		
	·	5,603		5,242		
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts		(676)		(620)		
	\$	4,927	\$	4,622		

4. Contributions Receivable

Unconditional promises are expected to be received in the following periods at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011			2010		
In one year or less	\$	5,280	\$	9,092		
Between one and five years		7,080		9,802		
Greater than five years		309		542		
		12,669		19,436		
Less:						
Discount to present value		(504)		(1,052)		
Allowance for doubtful contributions		(585)		(814)		
	\$	11,580	\$	17,570		

As of June 30, 2011 and 2010, the University has approximately \$17,867,000 and \$7,998,000, respectively, of cumulative conditional promises to give that are not recognized as assets in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position.

5. Student Loans Receivable

The University makes uncollateralized loans to students based on financial need. Student loans are funded through Federal government loan programs or institutional resources. At June 30, 2011 and 2010, student loans represented 3.1% and 3.4% of total assets, respectively.

Student loans receivable consist of the following at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011						
	Gov	Federal Government Programs		titutional ograms		Total	
Student loans receivable	\$	12,435	\$	11,314	\$	23,749	
Less allowance for doubtful accounts:							
Beginning of year		(396)		(344)		(740)	
Increases		(90)		(246)		(336)	
Write-offs		-		326		326	
End of year		(486)		(264)		(750)	
Student loans receivable, net	\$	11,949	\$	11,050	\$	22,999	
				2010			
	Gov	ederal ernment ograms		titutional ograms		Total	
Student loans receivable	\$	12,406	\$	10,885	\$	23,291	
Less allowance for doubtful accounts:							
Beginning of year		(363)		(317)		(680)	
Increases		(33)		(27)		(60)	
End of year		(396)		(344)		(740)	
Student loans receivable, net	\$	12,010	\$	10,541	\$	22,551	

The University participates in the Perkins federal revolving loan program. The availability of funds for loans under the program is dependent on reimbursements to the pool from repayments on outstanding loans. Funds advanced by the Federal government of \$6,792,000 at June 30, 2011 and 2010 are ultimately refundable to the government and are classified as liabilities in the statement of financial position. Outstanding loans cancelled under the program result in a reduction of the funds available for loan.

The following amounts were past due under student loan programs at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	1-60	days	60-90	0 days	90	+ days	Total st due
June 30, 2011 June 30, 2010	\$	32 23	\$	28 9	\$	1,247 1,454	\$ 1,307 1,486

Allowances for doubtful accounts are established based on prior collection experience and current economic factors which, in management's judgment, could influence the ability of loan recipients to repay the amounts per the loan terms. Institutional loan balances are written off only when they are deemed to be permanently uncollectible.

6. Investments

Investments at June 30, 2011 are as follows (comparative totals are included for 2010) (in thousands):

	2011									
	En	dowment	Spl	it-Interest				2010		
	and S	and Similar Funds		reements		Total		Total		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,903	\$	224	\$	4,127	\$	3,944		
Equity securities		133,594		11,400		144,994		111,584		
Fixed income securities		35,921		6,739		42,660		40,016		
Commodities		16,696		-		16,696		10,302		
Alternative investments										
Equity funds		93,234		-		93,234		73,889		
Fixed income funds		30,972		-		30,972		28,861		
Private equity funds		39,315		-		39,315		36,414		
Real estate		29,704		-		29,704		28,505		
Total investments	\$	383,339	\$	18,363	\$	401,702	\$	333,515		

Fair values of equity securities and fixed income securities are generally based on published market values. The University invests in hedge funds, private equity, and real estate investments through various limited partnerships and similar vehicles. Hedge funds utilize a variety of investment strategies incorporating marketable securities and, in some cases, derivative instruments, all of which are reported at estimated fair value by the fund managers. Private equity funds consist of long-term private investments and have been valued based on estimates provided by the general partners of the investment vehicles. The University has utilized the net asset value ("NAV") provided by the fund managers or general partners in valuing such investments. Estimates of fair value may differ significantly from values that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed. Real estate consists mainly of direct real estate holdings and investments in privately held entities and has been valued at management's and fund managers' estimates of fair value.

The following table summarizes key provisions for certain University's alternative investments as of June 30, 2011:

	Strategy	NAV of Funds	Number of Funds	Remaining Life	Amount of Unfunded Commitments	Timing to Draw Commitments	Redemption Terms	Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Restrictions in Place at Year End
Absolute									
Return – Market Neutral									
Nedital	Global equity and fixed income funds in market neutral strategies	\$89,359	10	NA	\$	NA	Ranges between quarterly redemption with 65 to 90 days notice to annual redemption with 45 days notice.	2 funds have lock up provisions of up to 3 years and limits on redemption of 1/3 annually. 2 funds have a lock up provision of 2 years. 2 funds have lock up provisions of 1 year. Illiquid side pockets exist for 2 of the funds.	1 fund has a 2 year lockup provision expiring in 2012.
Private Equity	0				·				
	Venture capital and buyout, in the U.S. and international	31,738	22	1 to 9 ½ years	6,150	1 to 9 years	Private equity structure with no ability to be redeemed.	NR	NR
Directional Hedge	Global long/short equity funds	42,165	3	NA	1	NA	Quarterly redemption with 60 days notice.	2 funds have lock up provisions of up to 1 year. Illiquid side pockets exist for 1 of the funds.	1 fund has a 1 year lock up provision expiring June 30, 2012.
Real Estate									
	U.S. real estate	2,871	1	6 years	2,474	1 to 6 years	Private equity structure with no ability to redeem.	NR	NR
Total		<u>\$166,133</u>	<u>36</u>		<u>\$ 8,624</u>				

NA = not applicable

NR = The University cannot redeem these investments.

Endowment Income and Spending

In addition to current yield, the University has interpreted state law to allow for the utilization of capital appreciation on permanently restricted endowment funds unless explicit donor stipulations specify how net appreciation must be used. Accordingly, the University segregates capital appreciation between that which can be used for current operations and that which is attributable to permanently restricted endowment funds. For financial reporting purposes, current yield and capital appreciation attributed to permanently restricted endowment funds are considered temporarily restricted until appropriated for use, and the historic dollar value of such funds is considered permanently restricted.

On July 2, 2009, Massachusetts enacted its Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") statute. UPMIFA provides guidance for investment management; enumerates guidelines in prudent investing; and, eliminates the concept of "historic dollar value" for donor-restricted endowments. The University adopted UPMIFA during the year ended June 30, 2010 and has not limited appropriation of underwater funds to current yield. Appropriation on underwater funds in years prior to adoption had been limited to current yield until such time as the deficiency had been restored and the fair value of the fund exceeded the level required to be retained permanently.

The University has adopted investment and spending policies for its endowment and similar funds that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding for its programs. To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the University relies on a total return approach in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized gains) and current yield (interest, dividends and net rental income). To achieve its long-term objectives within prudent risk parameters, the University targets a diversified asset allocation as follows:

Asset Allocation Policy	Target %
Domestic equity	20
International equity	17
Venture capital	8
Absolute return	15
Hedged equity	10
Fixed income	12
Real assets	18

The University's investment return for the year ended June 30, 2011, with comparative totals for 2010, is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	2011									
			Temporarily Permanently					2010		
	Unr	estricted	Re	stricted	Res	tricted		Total		Total
Investment income on endowment	æ	4.000	æ		æ	07	æ	2.047	æ	0.057
and similar funds Net realized and unrealized gains	\$	1,930	\$	-	\$	87	\$	2,017	\$	2,357
(losses) on investments		34,620		31,714		-	_	66,334		28,217
Return on endow ment and similar funds		36,550		31,714		87		68,351		30,574
Other investment income		2,698		517		48		3,263		3,300
Total return on investments		39,248		32,231		135		71,614		33,874
Investment return designated										
for current unrestricted operations		(13,252)		(7,902)		(135)	_	(21,289)	_	(21,892)
Investment return net of return utilized	\$	25,996	\$	24,329	\$	-	\$	50,325	\$	11,982

Investment income is net of investment management fees of approximately \$366,000 and \$321,000 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The University observes a spending rule with respect to total return (interest, dividends and appreciation) on investments of the endowment and similar funds. Under the spending rule, the University appropriated 5.4% of its endowment and similar funds' average unit fair value for the previous three years, one year removed, for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The spending rule distributions for fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively, were \$0.328 and \$0.348 per time weighted unit, comprised of, respectively, \$0.066 and \$0.075 of income and \$0.262 and \$0.273 of distributions from current and accumulated net gains. At June 30, 2011 there were a total of 62,370,578 units in the pooled endowment and similar funds, each having a fair value of \$5.827. Of the total units, 30,728,288 were owned by endowment funds and 31,642,290 were owned by internally designated funds.

A summary of the fair value per unit and the income per time-weighted unit for the pooled investments held as of June 30, 2011 and in each of the prior four years is as follows:

	Inco W	Fair Value Per Unit		
2011	\$	0.066	\$ 5.827	
2010		0.075	5.064	
2009		0.091	4.863	
2008		0.115	6.479	
2007		0.035	6.876	

To the extent that accumulated realized and unrealized losses are in excess of accumulated gains for permanently restricted endowment funds, they are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. As a result of market declines, the fair value of certain permanently restricted endowment funds is less than the historic dollar value of such funds ("underwater funds") by approximately \$1,474,000 and \$4,717,000 at June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and have been offset by transfers from unrestricted net assets to temporarily restricted net assets. The University is under no legal obligation to fund the deficiency.

Endowment and Similar Funds

The endowment and similar funds' net asset composition as of June 30, 2011 and 2010 and the changes for the years then ended are as follows (in thousands):

				20	11					
	Un	restricted		n porarily stricted		manently estricted		Total		
Donor restricted Quasi-endow ment	\$	- 164,133	\$	80,829	\$	115,300	\$	196,129 164,133		
Total	\$	164,133	\$	80,829	\$	115,300	\$	360,262		
Balance, July 1, 2010 Investment return:			\$	\$ 60,913		103,637	\$	298,818		
Investment income Net appreciation		4,071		15		-		4,086		
realized and unrealized		33,033		30,642				63,675		
Total investment return		37,104		30,657		-		67,761		
Contributions		2,201		-		11,663		13,864		
Appropriated for expenditure		(12,694)		(7,498)		-		(20,192)		
Provision for underwater funds		3,243		(3,243)		-		-		
Other changes	_	11						11		
Balance, June 30, 2011	\$	164,133	\$	80,829	\$	115,300	\$	360,262		
	2010									
	Unrestricted		Temporarily Restricted			manently estricted	Total			
Donor restricted Quasi-endow ment	\$	- 134,268	\$	60,913 -	\$	103,637	\$	164,550 134,268		
Total	\$	134,268	\$	60,913	\$	103,637	\$	298,818		
Balance, July 1, 2009 Investment return:	\$	127,608	\$	56,450	\$	95,161	\$	279,219		
Investment income Net appreciation		4,502		18		-		4,520		
Investment income		13,943		12,954		128		27,025		
Investment income Net appreciation		,		_		128 128				
Investment income Net appreciation realized and unrealized Total investment return Contributions	_	13,943 18,445 597		12,954 12,972 28		-		27,025 31,545 8,973		
Investment income Net appreciation realized and unrealized Total investment return Contributions Appropriated for expenditure		13,943 18,445 597 (12,966)		12,954 12,972 28 (7,789)		128		27,025 31,545		
Investment income Net appreciation realized and unrealized Total investment return Contributions Appropriated for expenditure Provision for underwater funds		13,943 18,445 597 (12,966) 728		12,954 12,972 28 (7,789) (728)		128	_	27,025 31,545 8,973 (20,755)		
Investment income Net appreciation realized and unrealized Total investment return Contributions Appropriated for expenditure	_	13,943 18,445 597 (12,966) 728 (144)		12,954 12,972 28 (7,789) (728) (20)		128 8,348 - - -	_	27,025 31,545 8,973 (20,755)		
Investment income Net appreciation realized and unrealized Total investment return Contributions Appropriated for expenditure Provision for underwater funds	\$	13,943 18,445 597 (12,966) 728	\$	12,954 12,972 28 (7,789) (728)	\$	128	\$	27,025 31,545 8,973 (20,755		

Split-Interest Agreements

Investments include the following split-interest agreements at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011	2010		
Charitable gift annuities	\$ 8,442	\$	6,657	
Charitable remainder trusts	8,064		7,382	
Pooled income funds	 1,857		2,430	
	\$ 18,363	\$	16,469	

7. Land, Buildings and Equipment

Land, buildings and equipment consist of the following at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011	2010
Land and land improvements	\$ 15,939	\$ 15,939
Buildings	270,307	261,108
Equipment	30,203	36,392
	316,449	 313,439
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(139,678)	 (135,569)
	176,771	177,870
Construction-in-progress	35,481	13,435
	\$ 212,252	\$ 191,305

Depreciation expense charged to operations was approximately \$14,778,000 and \$13,759,000 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Net interest cost capitalized was approximately \$3,063,000 and \$1,163,000 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

8. Bonds and Notes Payable

Bonds and notes payable consist of the following (in thousands) at June 30, 2011 and 2010:

Purpose and Definition	Maturity Date	Interest Rate %	Original Issue	Amount Due Within One Year	Balance, June 30, 2011	Balance, June 30, 2010
Bonds payable Housing and Urban Development 1969 Series C (1)	4/1/2019	3.0	\$ 1,160	\$ 35	\$ 317	\$ 352
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency 2007 Series (3)	9/1/2047	4.0-5.0	81,915	1,875	82,008	83,718
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency 2008 Series A & B (2)	9/1/2035	Variable	54,815	310	53,785	54,145
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency 2010 Series (4)	9/1/2045	4.5-5.0	56,000	-	56,072	56,073
Uncollateralized notes TD Bank Note A TD Bank Note B Worcester Business	6/8/2015 6/8/2017	4.69 5.35	3,656 4,201	120 129	3,545 4,083	3,656 4,201
Development Corp. Capital lease obligations	9/1/2014 Various	5.0 Various	1,766	351 480	1,169 1,703	1,502
Total bonds and notes payable				\$ 3,300	\$ 202,682	\$ 204,450

⁽¹⁾ Collateralized by land, building and equipment known as Stoddard Residence Center and pledged net revenues from the operations of the dormitory.

In compliance with the University's various bond indentures, funds held under bond agreements at June 30, 2011 and 2010 include investments of approximately \$34,600,000 and \$52,993,000, respectively, held for construction and debt service reserves.

The fair value of the University's debt has been calculated by determining the net present value of future cash outlays using an interest rate based on the length of time to maturity. The rates were based upon market conditions as of June 30, 2011 and 2010 and the University's credit risk as of June 30, 2011. The estimated fair value at June 30, 2011 and 2010 is approximately \$207,106,000 and \$213,822,000, respectively.

⁽²⁾ The bonds, issued at par with no discount or premium, represent a general obligation of the University.

⁽³⁾ The bonds represent a general obligation of the University. The balances at June 30, 2011 and 2010 include a premium of approximately \$1,978,000 and \$2,033,000, respectively.

⁽⁴⁾ The bonds represent a general obligation of the University. The balances at June 30, 2011 and 2010 include a premium of approximately \$72,000 and \$73,000 respectively.

Scheduled aggregate principal repayments on bonds and notes payable for each of the next five fiscal years and thereafter are as follows (in thousands):

2012		\$ 3,300
2013		3,304
2014		4,523
2015		7,419
2016		4,129
Thereafter		 177,957
	Total cash payments	\$ 200,632
	Premium	 2,050
		\$ 202,682

In June 2010, the University borrowed \$7,857,000 in the form of two uncollateralized notes payable to TD Bank. The proceeds were used to refinance the debt assumed for the acquisition of the remaining interest in Gateway and New Garden Park (see Note 13). The borrowings consist of two notes payable with balloon payments due in 2015 and 2017, respectively. Monthly installments of principal and interest totaling \$52,000 are paid based on a 20 year amortization.

In January 2010, the University borrowed \$56,000,000 in the form of Massachusetts Development Finance Agency ("MDFA") Revenue Bond Series 2010 (the "2010 Bonds"). The proceeds from the issue will be used to finance the construction, furnishing and equipping of an approximately 140,000 square foot sports and recreation facility and other renovations, repairs and improvements to campus facilities. The 2010 Bonds are fixed rate bonds payable in annual installments with principal payments ranging from \$915,000 to \$6,990,000 beginning September 1, 2034, and interest ranging from 4.5% to 5.0%. The final maturity is September 1, 2045.

In April 2008, the University borrowed \$54,815,000 in the form of MDFA Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds Series 2008A (tax-exempt) and 2008B (federally taxable), (the "2008 Bonds"). The proceeds from the issues were used to refund the University's borrowings under the MDFA Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A (tax-exempt) and 2005B (federally taxable) Select Auction Variable Rate Securities (the "2005 Bonds"), and the MDFA Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A Select Auction Variable Rate Securities (the "2003 Bonds"), and to pay the costs of issuance. The 2008 Bonds are payable in semiannual installments with principal payments ranging from \$360,000 to \$2,915,000, with a final maturity of September 1, 2035. Interest on the 2008 Bonds is at a variable rate which is reset on a weekly basis. As more fully described in Note 9, the interest rate swap agreements entered into as an integral part of the 2005 and 2003 Bonds remain in effect to economically hedge the interest rate risks associated with the 2008 Bonds.

Payment of the principal of, the purchase price of, and interest on each series of the 2008 Bonds, when due, is collateralized by irrevocable direct pay letters of credit by TD Bank that expire in 2013. The letters of credit include financial covenants that require that the University maintain minimum expendable net assets to debt of at least 0.65 and a minimum long term credit rating of A3/A-.

The 2008 Bonds can bear interest at a daily, weekly or monthly variable rate mode or at a fixed rate mode. Bonds in the variable rate mode are subject to tender at the election of the bondholders. In the event that the University receives notice of any optional tender of its bonds, or if these bonds become subject to mandatory tender, the purchase price of the bonds will be paid from the remarketing of such bonds. However, if the remarketing proceeds are insufficient, the University will be obligated to purchase the bonds tendered by drawing on the letters of credit. Such funds drawn on the letters of credit must be repaid in full within 180 days or converted to a 5 year term loan with quarterly payments commencing in

the 15th month following the conversion. If this were to occur, principal amounts on the 2008 Bonds due over the next five years and thereafter, in thousands, would be \$0, \$5,379, \$10,757, \$10,757 and \$16,136.

In June 2007, the University borrowed \$81,915,000 in the form of MDFA Revenue Bonds, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Series 2007, (the "2007 Bonds"). The 2007 Bonds are fixed rate bonds payable in semiannual installments with principal payments ranging from \$100,000 to \$3,105,000, and interest ranging from 4.0% to 5.0%. The final maturity is September 1, 2047.

In anticipation of the delivery of the 2007 Bonds, the University entered into an actual rate rate-lock contract (the "Contract") to lock in its interest rate and the amount of net bond proceeds. The Contract was terminated and the University received a cash payment in June 2007 resulting in a realized gain of approximately \$2,809,000. The gain is included in deposits and deferred revenue and is being amortized over the life of the Series 2007 Bonds.

The University also has a \$25,000,000 bank revolving line of credit. The line of credit bears interest at LIBOR plus 0.95% per annum on outstanding amounts. There were no amounts outstanding at June 30, 2011 and 2010.

9. Interest Rate Agreements

The University has entered into several interest rate swap agreements used to economically hedge the interest rate risk associated with certain of its variable rate debt. The following summarizes the terms for each of these agreements as of June 30, 2011 (in thousands):

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•	Deutsche	Barclays	Barclays	
	Bank	Bank PLC	Bank PLC	
Trade/effective date	Nov. 3, 2008	Nov. 3, 2008	Nov. 3, 2008	
Initial notional amount	\$14,100	\$34,200	\$5,775	
Termination date	Oct. 1, 2033	Sept. 1, 2035	Sept. 1, 2016	
Rate paid by University	4.650%	3.714%	4.631%	
Rate paid by Counterparty 71%		67% of	one-month	
	one-month	one-month LIBOR	LIBOR	
	LIBOR	when LIBOR is $\geq 4.00\%$		
		SIFMA Municipal		
		Sw ap Index		
		when LIBOR is $< 4.00\%$		
Fair Value Liability				Total, net
June 30, 2011	(\$3,096)	(\$3,949)	(\$548)	(7,593)
June 30, 2010	(\$3,606)	(\$4,636)	(\$640)	(8,882)

The net unrealized gain that was recognized for the interest rate swap agreements for the year ended June 30, 2011, was approximately \$1,289,000 and has been recorded in net realized and unrealized losses on interest rate agreements on the accompanying consolidated statement of activities. At June 30, 2010, the fair value liability for interest rate swap agreements totaled \$8,882,000 and the net unrealized loss recognized in the accompanying consolidated statement of activities for the year ended was approximately \$2,161,000.

The counterparties to the Series 2008A and B interest rate swap agreements are Barclays Bank PLC ("Barclays") and Deutsche Bank AG ("Deutsche"). These counterparties replaced the counterparty to the

interest rate swap agreements held at June 30, 2008, Lehman Brothers Special Financing, Inc. ("LBSF"). The Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc. bankruptcy filing in October 2008 constituted an event of default as defined in the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. Master Agreement between the University and LBSF. As a result, in November 2008, the University paid \$2,795,000 to terminate the interest rate agreements. Barclays and Deutsche paid the University \$3,253,600 to enter into the interest rate agreements as the new counterparties. The notional amounts, termination dates, fixed rates paid by the University and the variable rates received by the University are the same as the terms of the terminated swaps as of the replacement date.

The interest rate swap agreements under Barclays and Deutsche contain provisions requiring collateral postings should the fair value liability of the University exceed certain amounts based on the University's long term credit ratings. The collateral posting provision for the agreement with Deutsche is triggered should the fair value liability exceed \$40 million and the University's long term credit rating remains at A1/A+. The collateral posting provision for the two agreements with Barclays is triggered should the combined fair value liability exceed \$40 million and the University's long term credit rating declines to A2/A. At its current ratings level of A1/A+, no amount of fair value liability will trigger a posting requirement. The provisions with both counterparties provide that the liability threshold decreases if the University's long term credit ratings decline. At June 30, 2011, the University is not required to post collateral to its counterparties.

10. Retirement Plan

The University participates in a defined contribution retirement plan for substantially all of its employees. Employees may elect to invest in various accounts with the Teachers' Insurance and Annuity Association and College Retirement Equities Fund ("TIAA-CREF"), Fidelity Investments, or a combination of both. Contributions were approximately \$5,836,000 and \$5,481,000 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Contributions are based upon a percentage of the employee's compensation.

11. Net Assets

Net assets consist of the following at June 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands):

	2011							
			Te	mporarily	Per	manently		
	Unrestricted		Restricted		Re	stricted		Total
Endow ment funds								
Long-term investment (quasi - endow ment)	\$	164,133	\$	-	\$	-	\$	164,133
Original principal		-		-		115,300		115,300
Unspent income and appreciation								
Scholarship support		-		43,997		-		43,997
Faculty support		-		11,762		-		11,762
Program support Program support		-		25,070		-		25,070
Total endow ment funds		164,133		80,829		115,300		360,262
Split-interest agreements and perpetual trusts		-		6,932		18,474		25,406
Student loan funds		11,515		-		3,307		14,822
Gifts and other unexpended revenues								
Acquisition of building and equipment		-		5,886		-		5,886
Instruction, research, and institutional support		-		7,165		-		7,165
Undesignated		63,437		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		63,437
	\$	239,085	\$	100,812	\$	137,081	\$	476,978

	2010							
			Ten	nporarily	Per	manently		
	Unrestricted		Restricted		Restricted			Total
Endow ment funds								
Long-term investment (quasi - endow ment)	\$	134,268	\$	-	\$	-	\$	134,268
Original principal		-		-		103,637		103,637
Unspent income and appreciation								
Scholarship support		-		33,744		-		33,744
Faculty support		-		9,027		-		9,027
Program support		-		18,142		-		18,142
Total endow ment funds		134,268		60,913		103,637		298,818
Split-interest agreements and perpetual trusts		-		5,701		17,671		23,372
Student loan funds		11,067		-		3,171		14,238
Gifts and other unexpended revenues								
Acquisition of building and equipment		-		5,682		-		5,682
Instruction, research, and institutional support		-		6,317		-		6,317
Undesignated		51,787		-		-		51,787
	\$	197,122	\$	78,613	\$	124,479	\$	400,214

12. Expenses by Functional Category

Following are expenses categorized by function (in thousands):

	2011	2010
Instruction and department research	\$ 69,207	\$ 64,012
Sponsored research	18,972	17,167
External relations	7,820	7,006
Institution and academic support	35,580	34,069
Student services	12,470	12,249
Auxiliary enterprises	18,393	17,232
	\$ 162,442	\$ 151,735

Depreciation, maintenance, interest and other expenses have been allocated to the various functions. Methods in allocating these expenses include actual expenses incurred and percentage of square footage for each functional area.

External relations expenditures include approximately \$4,212,000 and \$3,906,000 of fundraising expenses for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

13. Acquisition of Remaining Interest in Gateway Park, LLC and New Garden Park, Inc.

The University and Worcester Business Development Corporation ("WBDC") jointly formed Gateway Park, LLC ("Gateway") to purchase and develop land located in the Gateway Park area of Worcester and incorporated New Garden Park, Inc. ("New Garden Park"), a Massachusetts not-for-profit corporation that owned and managed a parking garage located in the Gateway Park area of Worcester.

On March 26, 2010, the University acquired WBDC's interest in the Gateway Park related entities. Under the terms of the agreement, the University acquired WBDC's 50% interest in Gateway in exchange for a \$2,000,000 interest free note with a fair value of \$1,766,000, payable to WBDC in monthly installments over five years. Washburn Park, Inc. ("Washburn"), a newly created not-for-profit corporation, in which the University is the sole member, acquired substantially all of the assets, consisting of the parking garage and additional parcels of land, previously owned by New Garden Park in exchange for assuming \$4,212,000 of its outstanding debt. The University and WBDC previously co-managed New Garden Park. The purpose of the acquisition is to advance the University's long-term objective of developing Gateway Park for a mix of academic, research, residential and commercial enterprises. WBDC will continue to work with the University on a consulting basis being paid \$200,000 annually for the next two years.

The University has accounted for this transaction as an acquisition and, accordingly, the activities of these entities have been consolidated in the University's financial statements since the acquisition date. The following table summarizes the consideration paid on March 26, 2010 (in thousands).

Consideration paid	\$ 1,766
Fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed:	
Parking garage	\$ 5,480
Land	3,060
Other assets	68
Long term debt	(3,931)
Notes payable to the University	(2,810)
Other liabilities	(101)
Total	\$ 1,766

14. Related Parties

Prescott Holdings, LLC ("Prescott Holdings")

Prescott Holdings was formed to develop land in the Gateway Park area of Worcester. The University has a 12.5% interest and accounts for its investment at cost.

Prescott Holdings has \$7,618,000 in outstanding mortgage and construction notes payable with TD Banknorth, N.A. for which the University entered into limited guarantees. As of June 30, 2011, the amount guaranteed by the University is approximately \$952,000.

Alumni Association of Worcester Polytechnic Institute ("Alumni Association")

The Alumni Association, a separate 501(c)(3) organization, invests the majority of its funds in the University's endowment. At June 30, 2011 and 2010, funds held for others in the consolidated statements of financial position includes Alumni Association assets of \$2,387,000 and \$2,025,000, respectively.

15. Commitments and Contingencies

Construction Contracts

For the year ended June 30, 2011, the University has contracted for the construction of a sports and recreation facility. The total project cost, including furnishings and fixtures, is estimated to approximate \$53,200,000. The majority of the funds to satisfy this commitment are included in funds held under bond agreements at June 30, 2011.

Investments

The University is obligated under certain limited partnership agreements and other alternative investment arrangements to advance additional funding periodically up to specified levels. At June 30, 2011, the University had unfunded commitments of approximately \$8,624,000 that can be called through 2020. These commitments will be funded from the University's existing cash and investments.

Operating Leases

The University is obligated under noncancelable operating leases for office space and storage facilities. In December 2010, the University entered into lease agreements for office space in a building located in Gateway Park being constructed by an unrelated party. The lease terms are 10 - 15 years. Occupancy is expected in the summer of 2012. The future minimum rental commitments for the next five years under these agreements as of June 30, 2011, are approximately as follows (in thousands):

2012	\$ 405
2013	1,273
2014	1,130
2015	1,101
2016	1,101

Rental expense was approximately \$374,000 and \$544,000 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Guarantees

In addition to the amounts guaranteed by the University as disclosed in Note 14, the University has guaranteed commercial loans with an original principal amount of \$2,173,000 to five fraternities. These loans are collateralized by real property owned by the fraternities.

Interest Rate Agreements

As disclosed in Note 9, in November 2008, the University terminated and settled its interest rate swap agreements with Lehman Brothers Special Financing, Inc. All such settlements are currently being reviewed by the Federal Bankruptcy Court. Management does not expect an unfavorable outcome.

Uncertain Tax Positions

The University is generally exempt from federal and state income taxes. Management annually reviews for uncertain tax positions along with any related interest and penalties and believes that the University has no uncertain tax positions that would have a material adverse effect, individually or in the aggregate, upon the University's consolidated statements of financial position, or the related consolidated statements of activities, or cash flows.

Sponsored Research

The University's sponsored research program and indirect cost recovery are subject to audit by the respective sponsoring federal agency as provided for in federally sponsored research regulations. Management believes that any such audit will not have a material adverse effect, individually or in the aggregate, upon the University's consolidated statements of financial position, or the related consolidated statements of activities, or cash flows.

Other Commitments and Contingencies

In May 2009, the University entered into a payment in lieu of taxes ("PILOT") agreement with the City of Worcester. The 25 year agreement provides for the University to pay approximately \$450,000 annually in voluntary payments. The agreement calls for the City of Worcester to use these amounts to support the operations of the Worcester Public Library and for the implementation of the master plan to renovate Institute Park.

The University is also involved in various legal actions arising in the normal course of its activities. Although the ultimate outcome is not determinable at this time, management after taking into consideration advice of legal counsel believes that the resolution of these pending matters will not have a material adverse effect, individually or in the aggregate, upon the University's consolidated statements of financial position, or the related consolidated statements of activities, or cash flows.

16. Current Developments and Subsequent Events

Fair Value Disclosures

On May 12, 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-04, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs. This ASU converges the guidance in U.S. GAAP and IFRS on fair value measurements and disclosures and includes several new fair value disclosure requirements. Upon initial review by University's management, the most significant change is the requirement to disclose information about valuation techniques and unobservable inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements and a narrative description of the Level 3 measurements' sensitivity to changes in unobservable inputs. ASU 2011-04 is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2011, (fiscal year ended 2013).

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events for the period after June 30, 2011 through October 31, 2011, the date the financial statements were posted to the University's website and determined that there have been no subsequent events that would require recognition in the financial statements or disclosure in the notes of the financial statements.