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Almost daily, usmnews.net's reporters and editors receive some version of the following:

Why is it that USM can spend thousands of dollars a year on a private plane to haul the president, IHL board members, and various "friends" around and millions on athletics, but will not fund a valuable, academic program. ... It is far more likely to benefit our students than a private plan or a football ever will.

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Each of the emails or calls or comments report some valuable program being diminished or terminated. Many of the emails bemoan the University as a whole being firmly mired in the academic fourth tier.

Unfortunately, the answer to the persistent question "will USM ever get its priorities straight?" appears to be no.