



College of Arts and Sciences

2020 Fall Update with the President and Provost

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Key Metrics

2025 Benchmarks: College Quick Summary

Benchmark Goal	2011 Baseline	FY18	FY19	FY20	2025 College Goal
B-1 Research expenditures	\$31.2 M	\$29.8 M	\$49.9 M	\$51.6 M	\$49 M
B-1a Extramural Awards		\$51.3 M	\$48.0 M	\$50.6 M	
B-2 Endowment	\$39 M	\$66.3 M	\$70.5 M	\$71.7 M	\$100 M
B-3 Annual fundraising	\$5M	\$21.6 M	\$12.9 M	\$15.9 M	\$20 M
B-4 Faculty awards (CMUP)		3	2	2	6 per year
B-5 PhDs per year	57	57	58	73/211	90
B-6 Fr/Sophomore retention	77%	82%	83%	84.5%	90%
B-7 Six-year grad rate	53%	58%	60.4%	62.9%	70%
B-8 UG research participation		670	693	630	TBD

Pandemic Response

- Providing a central source for PPE supplies for departments (re-usable and disposable masks, disposable gloves, hand sanitizer, chlorox wipes)
- Created video for training faculty, staff and student to properly use electrostatic sprayers
- Worked with facilities to make several classrooms COVID ventilation compliant
- 762-page research re-opening plan to allow research to commence while keeping faculty, staff and students safe
- Held weekly Department Head meetings to coordinate college response
- Modified more than 1300 class sections to hybrid or online modes to increase flexibility in content delivery
- Created a large amount of new online course content and new virtual labs
- Provided additional course content design help for faculty needing to move courses online
- Provided some staff and faculty computers to allow remote work

Pandemic Response

- Adopted virtual campus visit academic sessions (Tuesday and Thursday 10:00am and 2:00pm)
- Modified in-person campus visits (MWTThF, 9:15am and 1:15pm)
- Initiated high school teacher/ambassador partnerships
- Ramped up Latinx recruitment efforts (Recruitment Materials in Spanish, Latin X student focus group)
- Wildcat Experience virtual event series (November M-Th, 4,5,6,7pm)
- Initiated having A&S Student Ambassadors writing letters to prospective students
- Raised an additional \$72,000 for students in financial need
- Provided supplemental Advisor training sessions for how to deal with online advising and potential students issues due to pandemic
- More active referrals to OSL and follow-ups for students having academic and mental health issues

Key Priorities

- Focus on Creating Exciting New Powerhouses
 - Communications
 - Social Justice
- Focus on increasing SCH via both recruitment and retention
 - Increase new major options in areas of growing interest to students and life-long learners
 - Focus on Need + Merit -based scholarships and internship opportunities
 - Creation of learning opportunities and summer introduction experiences especially for 1st gen students
- Improve RSCAD facilities – better, safer infrastructure and lower operating costs
 - Improved MTD facilities, Fume Hood projects in Ackert and CBC, space utilization review, environmental control reviews
- Increase diversity and inclusion at all levels in College
- Creating an appropriate/flexible mix of faculty and instructors to pivot in an uncertain higher education environment

Looking Forward

- **New Degree Programs**
 - Geographic Information Science and Technology (GIST)
- **New Minors**
 - Middle East Studies
- **New Certificates**
 - Global Health
 - Socially Responsible Information Science:
 - Ethics in the Data Sciences
- **Strategic Investment**
 - “Reset” program for Freshmen in several foundational classes
- **Proposed Degrees**
 - (Interdisciplinary) Environmental Sciences
 - (Interdisciplinary) Integrated Computer Sciences
- **Proposed Secondary Majors**
 - Integrated Health Studies
 - Social Justice
- **Proposed Minors**
 - Graphic Design
- **Proposed Certificates**
 - Religious Studies

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