



## STRATEGY (cont.)

### Key Achievements for Last Year (Student, Faculty, Program, Institutional)

#### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two undergraduates, Keshav Motwani in statistics and Estell in 't Zandt in microbiology, receive 2020 Goldwater Scholarships for undergraduate research.
- The Peace Corps ranks UF #2 among large schools on the agency's list of top volunteer-producing colleges and universities in 2020. There are 70 Gators currently volunteering in countries around the world.

#### FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Distinguished professor Clifford Will receives the 2021 Einstein Prize from the American Physical Society for outstanding contributions to observational tests of general relativity.
- Distinguished professor Pierre Ramond, receives the 2020 Dirac Medal from the International Centre for Theoretical Physics for pioneering contributions to the inception and formulation of string theory.
- Anna-Lisa Paul, Research Professor in Horticultural Sciences and Director of the Interdisciplinary Center for Biotechnology Research, receives NASA's Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal for her fundamental contributions to plant genetics research.
- Chimay Anumba, Dean of the College of Design, Construction and Planning, has been elected a member of the National Academy of Construction. He is also a fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering.
- Seven professors, Geoffrey E. Dahl, Julie A. Johnson, Rosemary Loria, Rafael Munoz-Carpena, Thomas D. Schmittgen, Eric W. Triplett, and Nathalie A. Wall, are named Fellows of the AAAS.
- Four faculty members (David Clark, Domenic Forte, Aysegul Gunduz, and Maitane Olabarrieta) receive the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, the highest honor bestowed by the United States government on young scientists and engineers.

#### PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

- Scholars at UF reach record \$942M in research expenditures in FY 2020. UF was ranked 15<sup>th</sup> among all public universities and 26<sup>th</sup> among all universities in FY19.
- UF Innovate – Sid Martin Biotech named top global incubator for record third time, receiving the International Business Innovation Associations highest honor, the Randall M. Whaley Incubator of the Year Award.
- UF has been re-designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Research (CAE-R) through AY2024 putting UF in the elite group of universities that meet the federal government's criteria for providing educational and research opportunities in cybersecurity.

#### INSTITUTIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- UF undergraduate education rises to #6 among public universities (US News 2021 edition).
- UF Online ranks #3 in list of best online undergraduate programs (US News 2021 edition).
- Graduate programs at UF receive national recognition as 12 colleges and 61 programs are ranked in the top 25 among public universities (US News 2022 edition).
- The University of Florida is recognized for Excellence in Assessment by the National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.