

# Rowan University University Assembled

Fall 2021

# Road to R1 – Update on University of the Future

Welcome Dr. Houshmand, President

Health & Wellness Update
 Scott Woodside, Director, Wellness Center

State of the University
 Dr. Houshmand

# **State of the University**

- 23,000 students
- #88 public research university in the nation
- \$36 million distributed to students in institutional scholarships and waivers
- \$41.9 million in annual sponsored research and grants
- Academic offerings continue to climb: 90 bachelor's degrees, 48 master's,
  2 professional/medical and 8 doctoral programs.
- Endowment is growing, state funding is holding

# University of the Future

# Driving toward R1 designation!

# **Exciting developments**

- Rowan University School of Veterinary Medicine
- Rowan / Virtua Partnership

# Rowan University School of Veterinary Medicine

- First school of veterinary medicine in the State of New Jersey; only 32 in U.S.
- The school *plans to* welcome its first class of 60 students in fall of 2025.
- More information to come at the official announcement in January.
- Welcome to Dean Matthew Edson!

### Rowan / Virtua Partnership

- We are creating a new academic health system that promises to further distinguish South Jersey as a regional hub for innovation, research and discovery in medicine.
- Virtua will take the place of Jefferson as SOM's principal affiliate.
- The partnership will also lead to an expanded nursing school and a new school of translational biomedical engineering and sciences, among other benefits.
- Both institutions are committed to significant financial commitments to support the partnership, including: personnel, educational programs and a research facility.

#### **Academic & Student Affairs**

#### **Dr. Tony Lowman, Provost**

- State of Academic Affairs
- Sustainability catalysts (faculty hires)
- Expansion of SOM; second campus is at RCSJ Gloucester
- Athletics successes!

# Compliance

#### Melissa Wheatcroft, General Counsel

- Flexible workforce
- DEI scholarship

# Facilities & Operations

#### Joe Campbell, Vice President for Facilities and Operations

- IRT updates
- Pricing models
- Student Center expansion
- Progress on Edelman Fossil Park Museum
- Time Sweeps, art sculpture

# **Student Center Expansion**



# **Edelman Fossil Park Museum**



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# Time Sweeps, art sculpture at Discovery Hall



#### Welcome!

Voki Pophristic Dean, College of Science & Mathematics

Giuseppe Palmese Dean, College of Engineering

Peter Rattigan Dean, School of Nursing & Health Professions

Matthew Edson Dean, School of Veterinary Medicine

# Congratulations!

**Innovation Corps** — Rowan joins new "innovation hub" backed by \$15M National Science Foundation grant

**Center for Research and Education in Advanced Transportation Engineering Systems** — Army Corps of Engineers/Department of Defense awarded CREATES \$5.2M for cold-region research.

**Virtual Reality Lab** — Army/Department of Defense awarded the VR Lab \$2.4M to develop virtual environments for armored vehicles.

**Rowan's Sustainable Facilities Center** earned \$6 million in state contracts to conduct water and energy audits on NJ's military buildings.

# **Questions?**