

## President Mark B. Rosenberg



### **Dear Graduate Students:**

Welcome to FIU!

As one of the largest public research universities in the country, FIU plays a critical role in the future of our community and nation. We recognize the many challenges in our world today and we are committed to doing what is right. One of the things that is special about our FIU is that our students, faculty, staff and alumni have a shared sense of purpose: we want to leave this world a better place than we found it.

We demonstrate this commitment every single day by standing up to some of society's most pressing concerns – from sea level rise, transportation, to prevalent health concerns and more. We have a special kind of drive and determination that take our research efforts from the Arctic to Aquarius, the world's only underwater laboratory. We're constantly accelerating our research. In fact, FIU is in the top tier of research universities in the U.S., according to the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

Today, FIU offers over 200 nationally and internationally recognized bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in business, engineering, nursing, public health, architecture and other disciplines.

Innovation and entrepreneurship are at the heart of what we do at FIU. We have some of the most outstanding nationally and internationally recognized full-time faculty in the world. They are leading by example. From a new way to fight cancer to a tool that provides early intervention for glaucoma, our faculty are always pushing the boundaries of innovation and technology. Many have produced groundbreaking inventions that have received U.S. patents! FIU is on track to make the list of top 100 universities in the world for granted U.S. utility patents in the next few years.

StartUP FIU gives our students and community a place to bring their ideas and launch their ventures, as well as develop and commercialize new, innovative technologies. StartUP FIU FOOD allows food entrepreneurs in Miami access to our Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management's state-of-the-art food laboratories and grow their businesses. In 2017, we opened the Ratcliffe Arts + Design Incubator. In partnership with StartUP FIU and located at BBC, it is among the most innovative arts entrepreneurship spaces housed at a public university in South Florida!

Through the Green Family Foundation NeighborhoodHELP initiative, our students are improving health outcomes and quality of life for families in medically underserved neighborhoods in Miami-Dade County. Using a collaborative, multidisciplinary approach, NeighborhoodHELP provides real-world training that prepares FIU students to become compassionate leaders of the South Florida health care workforce.

It's also driving out breast cancer with the Linda Fenner 3D Mobile Mammography Center. This state-of-the-art van brings free breast health screening, health education, and navigation services to women without access to care in Miami-Dade County. We are so honored to welcome you to the FIU family! You are now a part of something very important and something that will be with you forever. You are on your way to making a tremendous impact in our community for generations to come.

## Dean Andrés G. Gil



### **Dear Graduate Students:**

We welcome you to explore the many offerings of our graduate programs at FIU. FIU has the highest Carnegie Research Classification, “Research I: Highest Research Activity.” The reputation of a research university is based in large part by the quality of its graduate faculty. However, our graduate students are also key contributors to FIU’s reputation and active contributors to the University’s intellectual and creative environment. Through its graduate faculty members, FIU offers graduate programs of the highest quality.

The Graduate Catalog provides information and resources to those interested in graduate education programs at FIU, including the full range of programs and courses available. We offer a wide range of graduate programs to satisfy virtually every personal or professional pursuit. We have over 120 graduate degree programs including an extensive array of doctoral, masters and graduate-level certificate programs. Florida International University is a young, vibrant and diverse university with a graduate population of over 8000 students and an overall enrollment of over 54,000 students. We have an active Graduate Student Association and other avenues for graduate involvement on campus through the University Graduate School and other student services offices.

At FIU, we take pride in designing graduate programs that prepare our students to be future leaders in their fields and to be knowledge creators. Our graduate faculty are worlds ahead scholars producing new discoveries to solve the challenges facing our nation and the world. Our focus on research-integrated graduate curricula, and the rich cultural diversity of our campus and South Florida, provide the graduate students with the most exciting and dynamic learning environment at FIU.

FIU also offers excellent infrastructure for cutting-edge graduate work. We have modern, well-equipped laboratories, and ample computer facilities and support. We also boast one of the largest libraries in the Florida State University System. All of this is available to our graduate students to help them achieve their goals in a timely manner and obtain the postgraduate appointments they desire. We also have excellent professional training and development opportunities designed to prepare the graduate students to be successful in their chosen careers.

We are glad you have chosen to be a part of our rich academic culture, and we are committed to providing you with the most stimulating learning environment.