

## 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 our community's nation's future. 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. Never has this mission been more relevant than today, when our FIU family is showing up for the needs of our community during the coronavirus pandemic.

We demonstrate this commitment every single day by standing up to some of society's most pressing concerns – from sea level rise, transportation 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 is a leading U.S. research university (R1), with a focus on student success, innovation and societal progress. Our university has been ranked 45 times in the top 50 in the nation among public universities, according to *U.S. News and World Report*. We offer nationally and internationally recognized bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in business, engineering, nursing, public health, architecture and other disciplines.

For four years and counting, BizBash has named The Food Network & Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival (SOBEWFF) the #1 food and restaurant industry event in the United States. With this collaboration, FIU's Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management students get real-world opportunities to gain hands-on experience in hospitality, including staffing the star-studded events and working alongside the world's best culinary talent and food and beverage industry leaders.

We are committed to supporting the arts and cultural engagement through FIU's three museums: Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, the Wolfsonian-FIU and the Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU. And our colleges and programs are continuously taking that extra step to be innovative, relevant and solutions-driven.

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 130 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.