37th Chancellor’s Report to the Community

University of Missouri–St. Louis
Celebrating ... yesterday ♦ today ♦ tomorrow

UMSL 50
1963-2013 Jubilee
UMSL in 1963

1 building • 32 faculty members • 672 students

0 chancellor’s reports

Clubhouse Entrance
Clubhouse Aerial
Hallway Classroom
Connecting with the community was Arnold Grobman’s goal in creating the Chancellor’s Report in 1976.

UMSL’s 4th chancellor (1975-85), Grobman died July 8 at age 94.
Two other chancellors who brought their own remarkable style, substance to this event …

Chancellor Blanche Touhill
1990-2002

Interim Chancellor Don Dreimeier
2003
Despite challenges and its youth … UMSL has become a highly regarded and essential community asset.
UMSL faculty ranks 3rd nationally among public universities in Academic Analytics productivity index

- Only San Diego State and William & Mary top UMSL in index of public universities with fewer than 15 doctoral programs.
- Boston College, Georgetown and Brandeis private schools also among index’s top 10.
International Business retains lofty status in latest *U.S. News & World Report* survey

- Undergraduate International Business ranked 15th nationally in fall issue ... 10th year in top 20.
- Doctoral Criminology program remains ranked 4th nationally.
UMSL one of “America’s Best Colleges,” according to Forbes Magazine

- Magazine’s editors focus on the things that matter the most to students:
  - quality of teaching.
  - great career prospects.
  - graduation rates.
  - low levels of debt.

- 9% of the 6,600 accredited postsecondary institutions in the U.S made the list.
Fall total enrollment nears 17,000 – establishing several new records.

- Undergraduate enrollment up.
- A slight decline in graduate programs ...
  - National trend that included UMSL.
Largest incoming class of new students — freshmen and transfers — since 1999

- Nearly 2,000 transfer students is second largest class in campus history.
- Up 5% in freshmen at 535.
- Average ACT score of 24 is a campus record.
Honors College is bursting at the seams with 600 students

- Steady enrollment increase has included improvements in ACT scores, class rank and core GPA.
Nursing experiences quantum leap in undergraduate students

- 20% fall-to-fall increase reflects on the excellence of the program and promising job market.

- Nearly 850 students in undergraduate nursing programs today.
Unique UMSL-Washington University engineering program continues to grow at record pace

- Top employers of graduates include Boeing, Ameren, Nidec and Metro Sewer District.
Optometry continues to receive hundreds of applications for its limited student slots

- 8 applicants for each slot … allowing UMSL to select the very best candidates.
- UMSL optometry students have again scored better than the national average on the National Board exam.
Campus will award about 3,200 degrees this academic year – another record

- More than 1,500 students are expected to graduate during ceremonies next week.
- 963 graduates in December.
- 653 graduates in August.
UMSL already topped 85,000 alumni this year

- 62,000 UMSL alums living and working in the region.

- Yes … UMSL educates St. Louis!
Gateway for Greatness
Hectic, successful conclusion

- $154.2 million
  - Seven-year campaign started July 1, 2005.
  - Goal increased to $150M from $100M in July 2010.
  - $22M per year average – far greater than $7M average a year prior to campaign.
  - $28M raised in final year – campus record.
  - 31 Partners for Greatness [$1M-plus donors].
Gateway for Greatness
Creating excellence

- $60M targeted for faculty, academic programs, libraries and research.

- Five endowed professorships or chairs ...
  - Peter G. Schick Professorship in Finance filled July 1 by Yiuman Tse.

- Two endowed curators ...
  - St. Louis Mercantile Library Art Museum
  - John W. Barriger National Railroad Library
Gateway for Greatness
Access to excellence

- $20M earmarked for scholarships.
- Six individuals or corporations gave in excess of $1M for scholarships, among them ...
  - Emerson Charitable Trust.
  - Enterprise Holdings Foundation.
  - Estate of UMSL Professor Eugene and Alice Meehan.
Maintaining the momentum

Donors drawn to scholarships

- AT&T donated $500,000 to The Opportunity Scholars Program … which is designed to attract bright students to STEM fields.

- FY12-13 Match Scholarship Program
  - UM used casino funds to match gifts in increments of $20,000 to create endowed need-based scholarships.
  - All 19 units awarded to UMSL have been funded.
Student, faculty and unit highlights
You heard it here first ...

Five UMSL faculty members will receive awards from the University of Missouri System

- Competitive selection process among faculty from 4 campuses.
- Curators will make the formal presentations in June.
- I’m giving you a preview.
Carl Hoagland wins the University of Missouri President’s Innovative Teaching Award

- Carl is the Emerson Electric Professor of Teaching and Learning.
- Recognized for incorporating new technologies into curriculum and creating the E. Desmond Lee Technology and Learning Center.
Vicki Sauter wins the University of Missouri President’s Service Award

- Vicki is a professor of information systems.
- Recognized for involvement in professional organizations and creating outreach programs that recruit diverse students to technology fields.
Rita Csapo-Sweet wins the University of Missouri President’s Cross-Cultural Engagement Award

- Rita is an associate professor of media studies.
- Recognized for establishing exchange programs in Hungary, Bosnia and Croatia that cut across various disciplines.
Dawn Garzon and Susann Farberman win University of Missouri President’s Intercampus Collaboration Award

- Five-member team from UMSL, UMC and UMKC created a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner program. The courses are now taught on all three campuses.
Jean Miller is the new dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication

- Jean comes to UMSL from the College of Visual Arts & Design at University of North Texas.

- UMSL’s COFAC has 900 students in its four units …
  - art & art history
  - communication
  - music
  - theatre, dance & media studies
St. Louis Academy of Science honors two UMSL faculty members

- James Wilson won the Science Educator Award … recognizes his contributions to science education.

- George Gokel received the James B. Eads Award … recognizes his achievements in engineering and technology.
Mark Pope’s commitment to diversity and education earns recognition

- Diversity Initiative Award from the National Career Development Association.
- GLBT Educator of the Year Award from the American Association for the Advancement of Science.
- Lifetime Career Achievement Award from the Missouri Career Development Association.
COFAC stages epic production of Carmina Burana at the Touhill PAC

- Popular production involved more than 200 student and professional performers.
- Partners included Nashville Ballet, Dance St. Louis and St. Louis Children’s Choir.
Benjamin Taylor wins statewide CPA award

- Selected Student of the Year by the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants.
- Cited for classroom excellence as well as community involvement and professional conduct.
Brighton Ranney achieves nation’s top score on the CPA exam

- UMSL students have won this Elijah Watt Sells Award 3 of the last 5 years, which recognizes the exam’s top scorers.

- Brighton is employed by Tax Strategies, a part of Moneta Group in Clayton, Mo.
Student athletes continue winning on and off the field

- So far this year, UMSL has …
  - 21 All-Conference honorees.
  - 20 GLVC Players of the Week.
  - 10 GLVC tournament appearances.
  - 3 NCAA Tournament appearances (men’s golf, women’s golf, softball)

- Bob Sundvold named new men’s basketball coach.

- Athletes also excel in class … graduating at a rate higher than campus overall.
UMSL at Grand Center
Fulfilling vision endorsed by faculty and community
Puts UMSL in middle of region’s media-entertainment district

- New home for St Louis Public Radio.
- Houses UMSL offices and classrooms
  - Emerging Media Studies program.
  - UMSL charter school operations.
Looking ahead … new buildings and a fresh Gateway for Greatness Strategic Plan
Recreation and Wellness Center on track to open in September of 2015

- Students passed fee referendum and curators approved project/bonding [$36M].
- Cannon Design chosen as architects.
- Advertise construction bids this summer.
Campus funding commitment moves Benton-Stadler renovation forward

- Bond option approved by faculty and curators [$30M].
- Christner Inc. chosen as architects.
- Begin construction later this year and occupy by end of 2015.
- Special thanks to Peabody – gift gave UMSL a head-start on renovation.
Anheuser-Busch Hall ... we’re getting close

- Donors have given more than $15M for this College of Business project.

- Seeking matching funds from the state – Higher Education Capital Fund.

- Expect to break ground in 2014.
Natural Bridge Great Streets project gets under way

- $20 million MODOT/East-West Gateway Council project will transform section of Natural Bridge between Hanley and Lucas & Hunt roads into a vibrant destination site.

- Construction will begin next year and conclude in December of 2014.
Strategic Direction

20% increase in graduates … over next five years

- Everything you’ve heard today sets the foundation for our future goal to better serve students, alumni and our community.

- Complements other initiatives to enhance the economy – including the St. Louis Regional Chamber.

- It can happen with your continued support.
Thank you!