

# Welcome to Florida State!

- **Overview of FSU**
- Public Research I University with 41,000 students
  - 32,000 undergraduates
  - 9,000 graduate students
- Founded in 1851—oldest in Florida
- Obligation to promote social mobility
- A diverse student population
  - 1/3 of our undergraduates are low-income
  - 1/3 to 1/2 of our students identify as Black, Hispanic, Multiracial
  - 1/3 of our students are the first-generation in their families to go to college



- FSU's campus is comprised of 391 buildings on 1,650 acres. The primary Leon County facilities include the downtown Tallahassee main campus; the Seminole Reservation — a recreational facility; the Florida A&M University-Florida State University College of Engineering facility; and the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory and the Division of Research at FSU's Southwest Campus.
- We have branch campuses in Panama City, FL, Panama City Republic of Panama, and Sarasota, FL (which includes the Ringling Museum of Art).
- FSU became a co-educational institution in 1947, along with the University of Florida, to help serve returning military and their families.
- We have year-round programming and comprehensive facilities in Florence, London, and Valencia, and offer dozens of other international sites for study and research annually.
- Florida State was one of four universities to receive the 2017 Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization, the top honor from NAFSA: Association of International Educators. FSU earned the national honor for its extensive offerings in global education and is the only university in Florida to win the annual award.

- For a second consecutive year, Florida State University has been recognized by *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine as a **Diversity Champion** in higher education. FSU is one of only 10 colleges and universities nationwide to receive the award by the magazine, which is the nation's largest and oldest diversity and inclusion publication in higher education.
- Florida State's continuing efforts to move diversity and inclusion to the forefront of the university mission have also received national recognition as the institution earned *INSIGHT Into Diversity's* "Higher Education Excellence in Diversity" (HEED) Award in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, which annually recognizes colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.
- The Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP), named FSU as one of the top 10 "Access Improver" institutions in the nation for its outstanding efforts in supporting and educating traditionally underrepresented students.

- FSU has the best four-year graduation rate of any public university in Florida. At 68.4 percent, it's also the highest four-year graduation rate in the State University System's history.
- All three **Rhodes Scholars** from public universities in Florida since 2006 were FSU students.
- FSU has the highest **National Science Foundation** research and development expenditures in the state.
- Florida State's College of Medicine earned distinction as one of 24 recipients of the Health Professions HEED Award – the only medical school from the state of Florida to receive the award.
- FSU College of Medicine is the only Association of American Medical Colleges member institution ranked in the top six for enrollment of both black and Hispanic students among 136 U.S. medical schools. Its enrollment percentage for black or African-American students is double the national average.

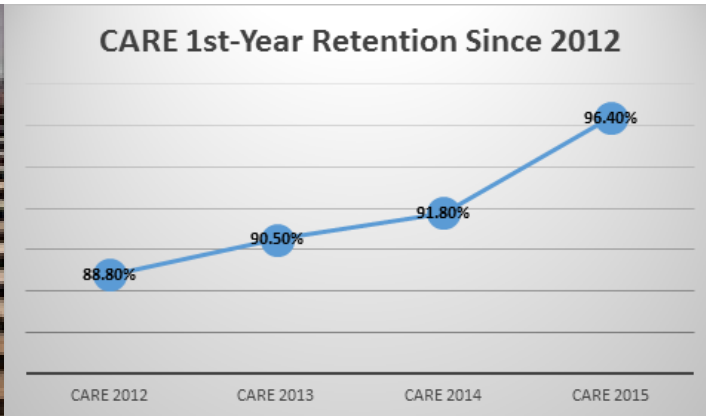
- **Erasing Graduation Rate Gaps**

- We have shown that regardless of background, all students can succeed
- All categories of FSU students retain and graduate at the same high rate
  - No disparities in first to second-year retention rates (94%)
  - 68% 4 year grad rate/80% 6 year grad rate
  - Erased graduation rate disparities between all categories of underrepresented students and our traditional students
- FSU is the highest-ranked public university to have this distinction



- **Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement (CARE)**

- Summer Bridge for Traditionally Underrepresented Students
- Transition, Support, & Engagement for First-Generation and Low-Socioeconomic Students



- **Unconquered Scholars Program**

- Nationally only about 2% of students who age out of foster care graduate with a bachelor's degree
- Supports students from foster care, homeless, and ward of the state
  - Face additional barriers to college completion
  - Receive 1-on-1 support from staff
  - Crisis support
  - Group meetings and socials
  - Volunteering
  - Retain and graduate at even higher rates than the average



**Thank you for choosing to join us and  
partner in success at Florida State!**

