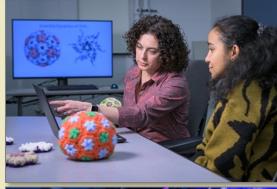
### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

President Dennis Assanis May 16, 2023













## THANK YOU









### **Celebrating the Class of 2023**



#### **About our graduating class**

- 6,186 graduates
  - 48 states and territories
  - 89 countries
- 6,347 degrees
  - Undergraduate 4,745
  - Graduate 1,602

Commencement — 9:30 a.m., May 27, Delaware Stadium



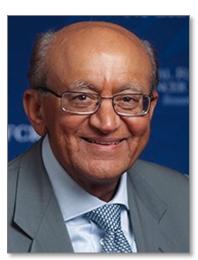
### Recognizing our honorary degree recipients



Mae Jemison
Honorary Doctor of
Science and our
Featured Speaker



Sally Ives Gore
Honorary Doctor of
Humane Letters



Rakesh Jain
Honorary Doctor of
Science



Marichu Valencia
Honorary Doctor of
Humane Letters



### Commending the top students of the Class of 2023

#### **Emalea Pusey Warner Award**

#### Aniya Brown

- Pre-Veterinary Medicine (Honors)
  - Minor in Spanish for Healthcare

#### Alexander J. Taylor, Sr. Award

#### Brenden Swanik

Biomedical Engineering (Honors)





### Students & alumni earn top national scholarships

#### **Gates Cambridge**



Willa Lane, '23, pursuing PhD in marine biology at Cambridge University

#### **Truman**



Preeya Shreeya Parekeh, '24, will pursue PhD in technology policy

#### nan Goldwater



Dana Kullgren, '24, will pursue PhD in astrophysics



Miyu Mudalamane, '24, will pursue PhD in chemical engineering



**Derek Wu**, '24, will pursue PhD in microbiology



**Qi Zhang**, '24, will pursue PhD in biochemical engineering

#### **Fulbright Scholarships**

Jeff Lin, '23 Anika Devotta, '23 Mina Rulis, '23 Clara Kinken, '23 Denise Becker, '23 Madeline Riordan, '23 Aniya Brown, '23 Tyrus Van Dyke, '23 Rebecca Metellus, '23 Faith Goetzke, '23 Rebecca King, '20





### Students & alumni earn top national scholarships

#### **NSF Graduate Research Fellowships**

Rebecca Beswick, '23

Ishika Govil, '23

Tatyana Nesterova, '23

Eduardo Nombera Bueno, '23

Nisha Raman, '20

Rebecca Clements, '21

Daniel DeSantis, '22

Jodi Graf, '20

Windsor Lundy, now at UD

Lauren Reich, '19

Patrick Reyes, '19

Stephanie Ross, '22

Max Sokolich, now at UD

Kathryn Strand, '22

Tamara Turski, '21



A 2019 UD graduate and Gates Cambridge recipient, **Bailey Weatherbee** (right) is one of two recipients of the 2023 Bill Gates Sr. Award, which recognizes the way they exemplify the Gates Cambridge values. Bailey is pursuing her PhD in developmental biology. She is pictured with Rumbidzai Dube (left), the other recipient, and Mimi Gardner Gates, an art historian and widow of Bill Gates Sr.



### Student-athletes show the power of teamwork



- Men's Lacrosse wins CAA tournament
- Women's Softball wins CAA regular season championship
- NFL-bound: QB Nolan Henderson signs with Ravens, WR Thyrick Pitts signs with Bears, DB Kedrick Whitehead signs with Buccaneers



Helping students manage name/image/likeness opportunities

- 100+ studentathletes registered
- Engaging fans, alumni & businesses



Statewide tour June 11-13 to promote:

- Student-athlete education
- Community engagement
- Business partnerships





### **Esports competitors win two championships**



UD's Esports program hosted the Electronic Gaming Federation's league championships at Trabant University Center on April 22. UD advanced to the finals in all four titles.



UD won the overall championship in Overwatch 2



UD won the overall championship in Super Smash Bros.

(Photos courtesy of Electronic Gaming Federation)



### Impressive accomplishments in every college

#### **CANR**

Ag Day draws community with "Ag Around the Corner" theme

#### CAS

Mary Watson
earns national
award for
groundbreaking
work in catalysis

#### Lerner

Three state
Supreme Court
justices speak on
corporate
governance

#### CEOE

Jennifer Biddle
named Fellow of
American
Academy of
Microbiology

#### **CEHD**

Launch of School Success Center, a partnership to strengthen Del. schools

#### COE

Expanding degree programs to meet industry needs and students' career aspirations

#### CHS

First graduate of the PhD program in Epidemiology

#### Biden

Stavros Niarchos
Foundation
awards \$3M to
expand Ithaca
Initiative

#### **Honors**

Endowment more than triples since 2020

#### **Graduate**

First cohort of doctoral students in 3 new programs

(Quantum Science & Engineering, Education & Social Policy, Interdisciplinary Neuroscience)



### Alison Award honors faculty excellence



#### Joseph M. Fox

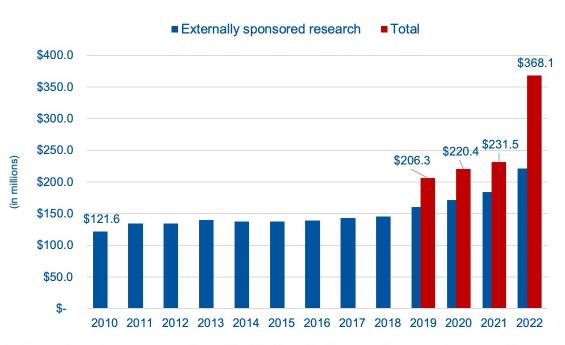
- Joined UD in 2001
- Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry
  - Secondary appointment in Department of Materials Science & Engineering
- Research: Chemical synthesis, reaction development, and creation of chemical tools to address complex issues at the chemistry/biology/materials interface
  - Foundational contributions to click chemistry and bioorthogonal chemistry cited in 2022 Nobel Prize in Chemistry
  - "... a world-class physical organic chemist ..." 2022 Nobel Laureate Carolyn Bertozzi in her letter of support



### Accelerating growth in UD's research enterprise



Nanofabrication Laboratory



Note: Total includes externally sponsored and institutionally financed research expenditures



### **UD Day at Legislative Hall reaches state leaders**















### **Strengthening connections in southern Delaware**















### Raising awareness of UD's impact on the world

Strategic Plan



High-performing social media presence

Attracting national media



THE NEW ENERGY FRONTIER

















### Advancing in national and global rankings



#1
Physical
Therapy
(graduate, 2022)



#2
Chemical Eng.
(undergrad,
2022)

#### Other rankings highlights

Chemical Eng. ranks #1 in U.S. in research spending Undergraduate

- #89 overall in the nation (2022)
  - Top programs in Engineering, Business, Computer Science and Nursing

#### Graduate

- 22 programs among nation's top 100 (2023)
  - Named best school for Public Affairs, Education, Nursing and Business
- 5 online programs among best (2023)
  - Education, MBA, Business, Engineering and Nursing



### Balancing financial resources to realize our vision

- FY23 likely to be slightly better than budgeted
  - \$25M-30M operating surplus vs \$5M initial budget
  - 2%-3% operating margin
- FY24 condition projected at 1.7% operating margin
- Need to maintain downward pressure on the institutional tuition discount rate; grow external funding for scholarship from the state and from donors
- Need to grow revenue from special sessions and self-paying master's programs; look to support more students on grants and other external funding
- Commit to providing competitive compensation and benefits packages for faculty and staff, including doctoral students' stipends





### Developing a multi-year strategic enrollment plan

#### **Features:**

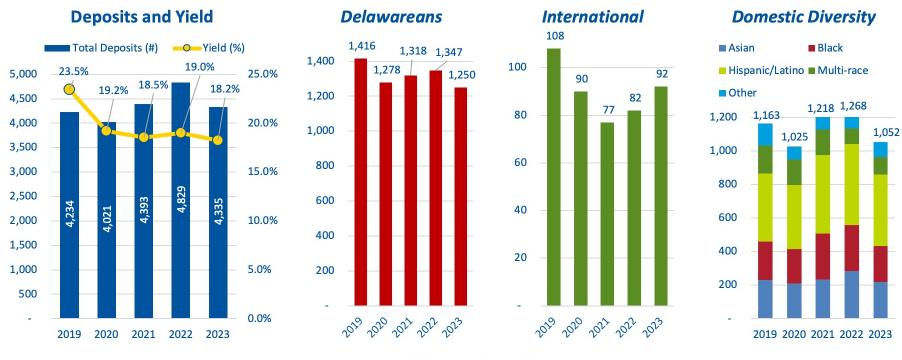
- FY23 FY27 (current year actuals + projections)
- Holistic view of student body across all populations
- Separate targets set for each segment, influenced by constraints & growth strategies

Undergraduate programs	
Incoming first-time, full-time	
Incoming AAP	
Continuing (net of drop)	
Part-time	
Transfers (2023 YTD up ~2X average; up 4X average for international)	1

Graduate programs	
PhD	
Self-paying doctoral	
Terminal master's	$\Rightarrow$
Self-paying master's	
Subsidized master's	1



### Welcoming the undergraduate Class of 2027







### **Expanding UD's network around the world**



**February 2023** — UD traveled with Gov. Carney to India to meet prospective/incoming students, parents, guidance counselors, alumni and institutional partners, raising our profile in the strategic growth region.



**April & May 2023** — The International Counselor Fly-In program, with state support, brought high school representatives from 20+ countries to learn about UD's academic programs, research facilities and campus life. Another 30 will come in July.



### Maximizing housing for undergraduate enrollment

#### Total housing capacity

Design: ~6,920

Extended: ~7,220

#### For new students

Design: 4,085

Extended: 4,385

#### For returning students

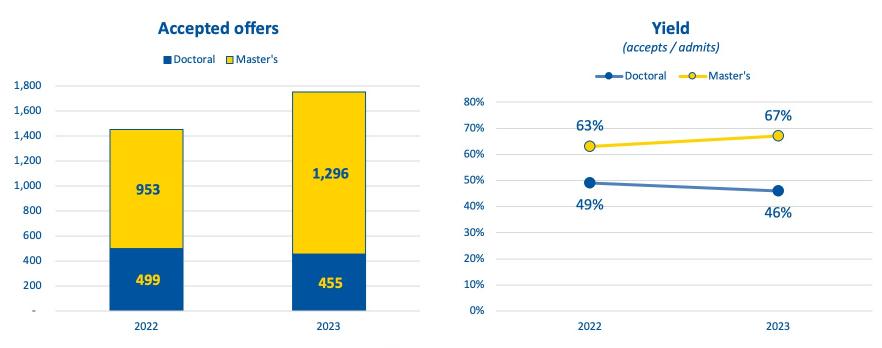
Design/Extended: 2,835



Additional measures to be considered to mitigate housing issues if yield is higher than expected



### Increasing our graduate student enrollment



(Data as of May 14)



### Committing to greater support for grad students

#### Goal by Fall 2025

- All programs achieve 9-month \$27,000 minimum stipend
- 75% of doctoral students have commitments for
   12 months of support, either on or off campus
- All doctoral programs are highly selective in U.S.
- Reduction in full internal funding of master's students, excluding terminal master's, faculty without a PhD program and master's programs with external support





### Providing an outstanding student experience

#### **Tactical interventions**



**Strategic renovations** 





#### **Social center improvements**



**Housing renewal** 





### Advancing our equity resources & initiatives



The Center for Intercultural Engagement in Perkins Student Center, now open, includes an interfaith meditation and prayer room, ablution stations and all-gender restrooms. Student Diversity & Inclusion will be located there. A grand opening is planned for this fall.

- Launch of the Advancing Racial Equity & Inclusion strategic planning process
- Reimagining central EDI support for colleges and Provost units
- Title IX updates
  - Dawn Barker Floyd Director, OEI
  - Tiffany Chen Assistant Director, Deputy Title IX Coordinator
  - Eugene Smith Assistant Director, Deputy Title IX Coordinator
  - Sexual Wellness Education (partnering with Student Life and the Center for the Study and Prevention of Gender-Based Violence)
  - Moving to 413 Academy St.

#### **Upcoming:**

- Revised Title IX regulations in May
- SCOTUS opinion on affirmative action in admissions in June



### **Ensuring faculty growth aligns with resources**

#### Rank

CT/TT

Tenure status

Marker (e.g., endowed, dept. chair)

#### **Facilities**

Proposed office and lab spaces

Renovation needs

Timeline and costs associated with renovation

# Strategic Impact

Interdisciplinary connections

Impact on college programs

Thematic associations

### **Teaching**

Projected SCH taught

New course and program opportunities

#### Research

Expected research activity

Project F&A return

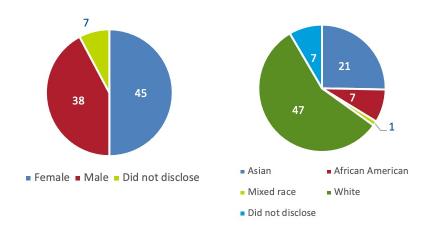


### Continuing to grow our distinguished faculty



New Faculty Orientation, Fall 2022

90 incoming faculty (accepted offers)



58 remaining searches

(Data as of May 15)



### Cultivating a strong sense of place at the Library



The Library Annex addition freed up space to expand student seating and study areas in Morris Library.



### **Building X rises at the heart of campus**







- Expected completion in Fall 2024
- 131,000 square feet of state-of-the-art research and teaching space
- Focusing on understanding and addressing human disease, neuroscience and human behavior, and quantum science and engineering





### Fintech Innovation Hub coming to life at STAR











### New leaders bring energy and expertise



Aimee Turner
Vice President of
Finance and
Treasurer



Angela Chen
Chief Information
Officer and Vice
President of
Information Technology

#### Searches underway:

- Lerner dean
- CANR dean
- VP of Research, Innovation & Scholarship
- Vice President and Legal Counsel

Search committee being formed:

CAS dean





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### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

President Dennis Assanis May 16, 2023

