2023
State of the University Address

Harvey G. Stenger
President
Reasons to be happy!

- Excellent enrollment numbers
- Student successes
- College scorecard comparison
- EXCELERATE campaign
- Extraordinary faculty
- Build Back Better funding
- 10 years of the Road Map
- Alumni achievements and engagement
Fall 2022 enrollment

- **Class of 2026:**
  - 3,106 first-year (up 7% since 2018)
  - 803 transfer (down 24% since 2018)
  - 1,500 new graduate students
  - 627 new underrepresented minority (URM) students (up 26% from 2018)

- **Current enrollment: 18,312**
  - 14,402 undergraduate (+95 from 2021)
  - 3,910 graduate (+162 from 2021)
  - International: 1,323 graduate; 481 undergraduate
  - Out-of-state domestic: 292 graduate; 1,050 undergraduate
  - URM: 436 graduate; 2,768 undergraduate
Outstanding students

School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences P4 students Deanna Forella and Katie Bradley placed 11th out of 141 schools at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) National Competition.

Watson College Scholar Clara Rodriguez and Harpur biological sciences major Shruti Venkatesh named Beckmen Scholars — the first time that Binghamton students have received this recognition.

Student Affairs graduate student Nii Teteh received the “Outstanding Master’s Student Award” from the American College Personnel Association Graduate Students and New Professionals Community of Practice.

Geological Sciences major Kniya Duncan participates in Tulane University summer research experience examining Antarctic glacial ice cores.

Decker PhD students Danielle Ongondo and Christopher Norman are the 2022 recipients of Decker PhD in nursing fellowships.

The Transformational Leaders program established by former SOM Dean Upinder Dhillon provides unique educational and leadership experiences for students like Yuliah Johnson.
Building the Bearcat experience: Athletics

- Success in competition:
  - Women’s volleyball
    - America East season champions
  - Women’s soccer
    - America East season champions; second in America East tournament
  - Men’s baseball
    - Spring 2022 America East champions – played in NCAA championship in Palo Alto
  - Men’s basketball
    - 4–2 record
      (best conference start in 17 years)

- Success in the classroom:
  - Fall 2022 semester, student athletes earned 3.4 GPA
Mental health support

- Students are experiencing increased academic and emotional stress
  - Healthy Campus Initiative (HCI) fosters healthy lifestyles and emotional resiliency
  - University Counseling Center (UCC) has hired two additional counselors; UCC served 1,844 unique students in 2021-22
  - CARE Team (Consultation, Advocacy, Referral and Education) connects students with support
  - Students of Concern (SOC) cases increased 33% since 2018-19

Academic support

- Services for Students with Disabilities support for students affected by mental health concerns, ADHD, learning disabilities and chronic health and physical disabilities (~8% of student population)
- Harpur Edge supports professional, intellectual and personal development of Harpur students.
  - Engagement includes networking, funding, skill-building courses in coding, public speaking, data visualization, SQL and digital micro-credentialing
  - In 2021-22, Harpur Edge hosted 200+ events with ~5000 participants

Online support

- Binghamton Concern Center provides online connection to over 100 campus community, state and SUNY-wide offices and agencies to address academic, mental and physical health concerns
  - binghamtonconcerncenter.com
Students succeed at Binghamton!

- SUNY Research Center 1-year retention rates
- SUNY Research Center 6-year graduation rates
College scorecard: https://collegescorecard.ed.gov

Annual median earnings – 10 years post-graduation

These figures help explain why Binghamton is a Best Value University!

Source: U.S. Department of Education College Scorecard
The Class of 2027

- Currently at 47,914 undergraduate applications, up 20% over last year
  - Out-of-state up 29%
  - International up 16%
  - Fall transfer applications up 23%

- Graduate admissions
  - Fall 2023 graduate applications: 2,527 (up 21.5% from 2022)
  - International applications up 44%
  - Working to meet graduate enrollment goals:
    - Working with international partners to increase visibility
    - Extended reach to both domestic and international prospects via fairs and other campaigns
    - Focused on promoting and supporting the student experience in applying for 4+1 program opportunities within Binghamton

as of 1/18/23
EXCELERATE: Making the exceptional accessible—increasing scholarship support

- **$25 million** anonymous endowment to establish a scholarship that will eventually support 100 students annually
  - Each year, 20 scholarships up to $10,000 annually to first-year students, renewable for up to three years
  - And, five first-year students will receive in-state residence full-cost scholarships (approximately $30,000), renewable for up to three years
  - Scholarships will help Binghamton broaden access and compete for the best students

- **$12.5 million** anonymous endowment to support Graduate Students of the Arts (GSA) Scholarships for master’s students in the School of the Arts
  - Scholarships will cover two years of full tuition for selected students showing exceptional skills in the performing, writing, musical, design and visual arts
  - 15 scholarships (reaching 30 per year after two years) to be offered each year, in concert with the development of the School of the Arts
Faculty Achievements

SUNY Distinguished Professors

- Mohammad T. Khasawneh, chair and distinguished professor, systems science and industrial engineering
- Weiyi Meng, chair and distinguished service professor, computer science
- Kaiming Ye, chair and distinguished professor, biomedical engineering

Binghamton Redesignated as R1 – Very High Research University

National Recognition

- Subimal Chatterjee, SUNY distinguished teaching professor of marketing, and Sara Reiter, professor of accounting, named to Poets & Quants Top 50 Undergraduate Business Professors
- Wesley Kufel, clinical associate professor of pharmacy practice, named chair-elect of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) Practice and Research Network
- Adam Laats, professor of education and history, awarded 2022 Friend of Darwin award by the National Center for Science Education (NCSE)
- Pamela Stewart Fahs, associate dean/prof./Decker Chair in Rural Nursing, named American Academy of Nursing Fellow

National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Awards: 6 in 12 months

- Tracy Hookway, asst. professor of biomedical engineering, to explore the role of autonomic neural stimulation on the function of engineered cardiac tissues
- Ahyeon Koh, asst. professor of biomedical engineering, to aid research into better ways to attach biosensors
- Hao Liu, asst. professor of chemistry, to develop sodium-ion batteries
- Seunghee Shin, asst. professor of computer science, to speed communication with “the cloud”
- Kaiyan Yu, asst. professor of mechanical engineering, to develop nanorobots
- Pu Zhang, asst. professor of mechanical engineering, to develop stretchable electronics
Faculty hiring

New faculty for fall 2022

○ 55 tenure-track faculty joined campus in September

○ Key programs include:
  • Social work
  • Environmental studies
  • Leadership and organizational science
  • Pharmaceutical sciences
  • PT/OT/SLP
  • Computer science
  • Systems science and industrial engineering

New faculty hiring for 2023

○ SUNY allocates $53 million for faculty hiring to grow externally sponsored research, $6.5 million for us

○ Binghamton will hire 36 of these newly funded faculty and 30 replacement faculty for 2023
  • This will create a space crunch, as well as equipment and startup requirements

○ EXCELERATE campaign support will create endowed faculty positions such as the Dhillon Endowed Faculty Fellowship
Successful campaign launch April 9
Campaign goal: $220 million
Campaign priorities:
• Sparking discovery for a changing world
• Exceptional education for every student
• Make the exceptional accessible
Current campaign status:
• ~$160 million committed or received, not including new $25 million and $12.5 million scholarship endowments – will be recorded at end of January
Pending proposals include seven-figure gifts for:
• Endowed scholarship aid
• Research equipment for new faculty
• Expansion of the Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention
• Endowed faculty positions
Endowment matching funds proposal in state budget, if SUNY budget passes

EXCELERATE: Moving at the Speed of Binghamton
Increase in committed funds

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Source: Research Foundation Sponsored Program Activity Report January 2023
Support for regional economic growth: Build Back Better Regional Challenge

- $63.7 million federal support + $50 million state support
  - Largest research grant (by 10x) in history of Binghamton University
  - Establishes national hub for lithium-ion battery manufacturing, development and production in Endicott, N.Y.

- Spearheaded by 2019 Nobel Prize-winner in Chemistry M. Stanley Whittingham and Associate Vice President for Innovation and Economic Development Per Stromhaug

- Initiative will be housed at the former IBM campus in Endicott

- Current activities: hiring staff, facility design and construction, contract and purchase equipment

- Next up: NSF Engine Grant proposal
  - Up to $160 million for research development and manufacturing throughout the entire battery lifecycle — from innovation to recycling
  - Represents a new era of NSF funding for translational research
10 years of the Road Map: Our path to success

**Research and Creative Activities**
- Path-breaking work that shapes the world
  - Currently ranked among top 80 research universities
  - Hired videographer to highlight faculty work and attract graduate students
  - Highest ranked R1 Public with less than 25,000 students

**Learning Community**
- Transformative learning community
  - Students participating in High Impact Practices (HIPS) stabilizing after COVID
  - Support for healthy lifestyle and well being

**Inclusive Community**
- A diverse and inclusive campus
  - Initial target of 20% URM students nearly met; target increased to 25% by 2026
  - 15 faculty joined campus as part of ProdiG program; six more in line for 2023

**Engagement**
- Economic, social and cultural impact through engagement
  - Focus on Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement
  - Number of students involved in community-engaged learning up 25% in 2021-22

**Strategic Investments**
- Optimizing human, technological, financial and physical resources
  - Binghamton is in stronger fiscal condition than other SUNY Research Centers, per U.S. Department of Education ratings
  - Facilities are rated good, per Facilities Condition Index

**Internationalization**
- Strategic internationalization in all our endeavors
  - Fleishman Center introduces Interstride software to assist international students in academic and career preparation
  - Extending international branding and marketing for recruiting
## Building the campus infrastructure

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**Funded by private, charitable donations during the EXCELERATE campaign**
Projects in design

Lecture Hall
$60 million approved by SUNY Construction Fund
Approx. 30 classrooms including three large lecture spaces

East Gym Expansion
$30 million for expanded recreation/fitness areas
Scheduled completion 2025

Science 3
$30 million for critical maintenance and new classroom, office and laboratory space
Construction begins mid 2023

Field House
Multisport facility for soccer, lacrosse softball, etc., including ticket booth and restroom facilities
Projects proposed to SUNY

**School of the Arts**
Project would consolidate five arts departments in one facility through a series of renovations and additions to existing facilities, including expanded studios. Fine Arts Master Plan is currently underway.

**New Research Building**
$185 million facility to support research in AI, robotics, microelectronics, clean energy, including New Energy New York program.

**Science 1 Expansion**
$145 million
Basic and life sciences research
Space for the Institute for Healthy Living and Aging
Meeting spaces, labs, computing cores

**Transportation Hub**
$55 million to support campus transportation needs, including public transportation and electric vehicle recharging, with 550 parking spaces.
SUNY Broome’s challenges and opportunities

- Since 2011, SUNY Broome’s enrollment has decreased by 37% (Binghamton’s has increased by 22%)
- SUNY community college enrollment decreasing statewide (down 20% since 2021)
- Impacts state and Broome County’s economic vitality
- Transfer pipeline to Binghamton University is decreasing
- We are developing a partnership with their admissions office, administrative offices, and marketing to expand the BAP program and enhance enrollment
John B. King, Jr., selected as 15th chancellor of the State University of New York

- Will lead our 64-campus, 370,000-student system began January 5th
- Experienced education leader and policy-maker
- Harvard graduate with PhD in education from Columbia
- Served as NYS Commissioner of Education 2011-14; U.S. Secretary of Education 2016-17; president of the Education Trust 2017-22
- Priorities: workforce development and student access

Positive budget proposal

- Proposal for matching funds for private support
Search underway for new Dean of Libraries
Harpur Dean
Celia Klin
and Health Sciences Librarian
Neyda Gilman
are co-chairs

Additions to the Admin. Team

Dean, School of Management
Shelley Dionne

Athletics Director
Eugene Marshall, Jr.

Executive Director, Alumni Engagement
Matt Winston

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Donald Hall

Dean, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Kanneboyina “Raju” Nagaraju

Executive Director, Major Gifts, Principal Giving and Gift Planning
Lynne Marie Jones
Alumni Achievements

- **Hakeem Jeffries ’92** named House Minority Leader for United States Congress

- **Donna Lupardo ’90** reelected to NYS Assembly

- **Lea Webb ’04**, former University diversity education coordinator, joins NYS Senate
Alumni Engagement

- Asunción “Sunny” Hostin ’90 — lawyer, journalist and television host, co-hosts The View

- Jami Floyd ’86 — lawyer and former senior editor at NPR, Clinton-era White House Fellow

- Annual Networking Night allowed scores of alums to spend hours with hundreds of students to offer career advice and guidance
Thank you!
If you have questions, please contact me at hstenger@binghamton.edu