

Breaking New Ground

Chancellor's Report to the Community

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The background features a large, faint watermark of the University of Missouri seal. The seal is circular with the words "UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI" around the top and "MDCCCXXXIX" at the bottom. The central shield contains a book with "SA POP LUS ULI", a crescent moon, a bear, and a bird.

We are the
University of Missouri
in and for St. Louis

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UMSL Action Plan themes

Enhance undergraduate, graduate education

Recruit outstanding, diverse student body

Build quality of research, graduate programs

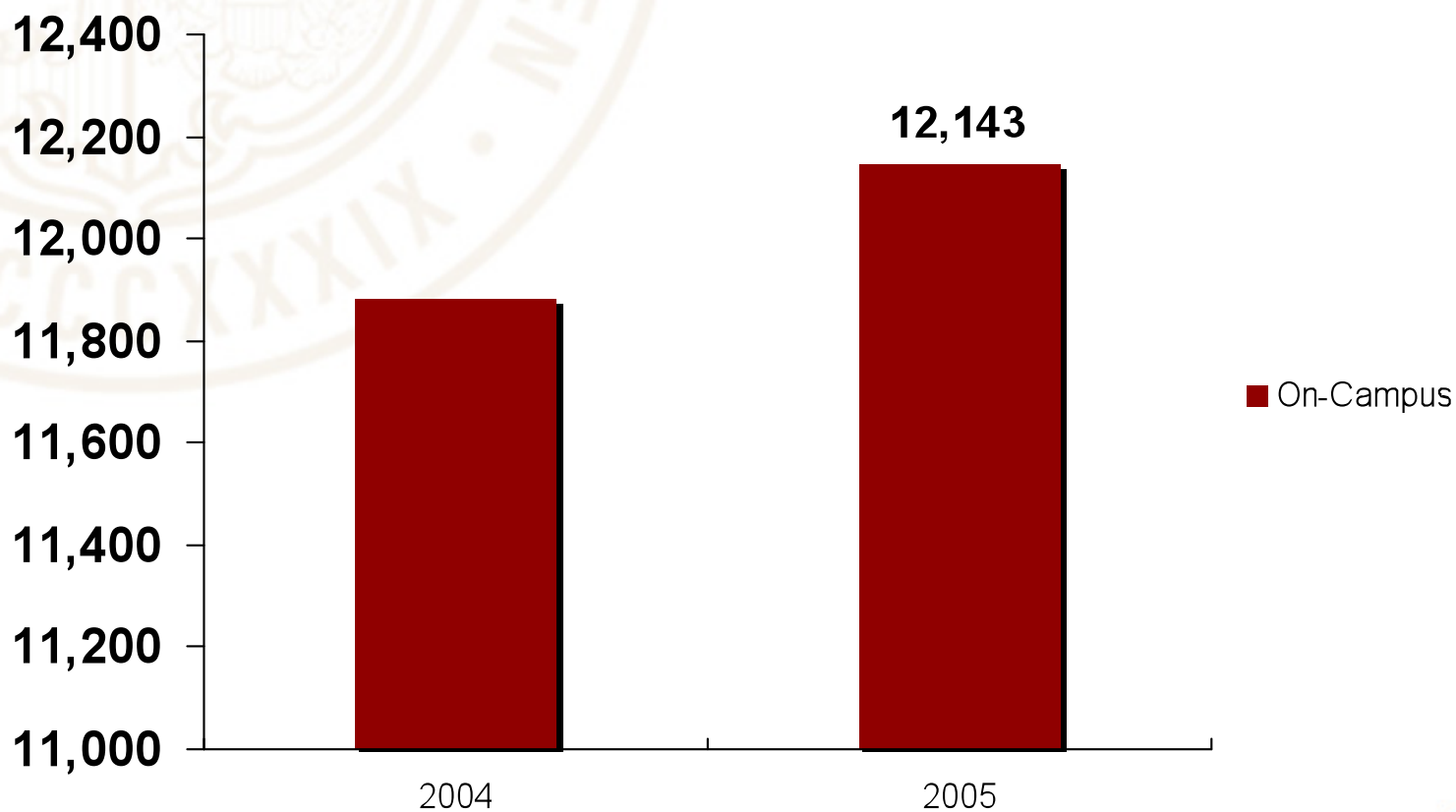
Expand civic engagement for economic, social
benefit of the region

Increase financial base, improve stewardship
of resources

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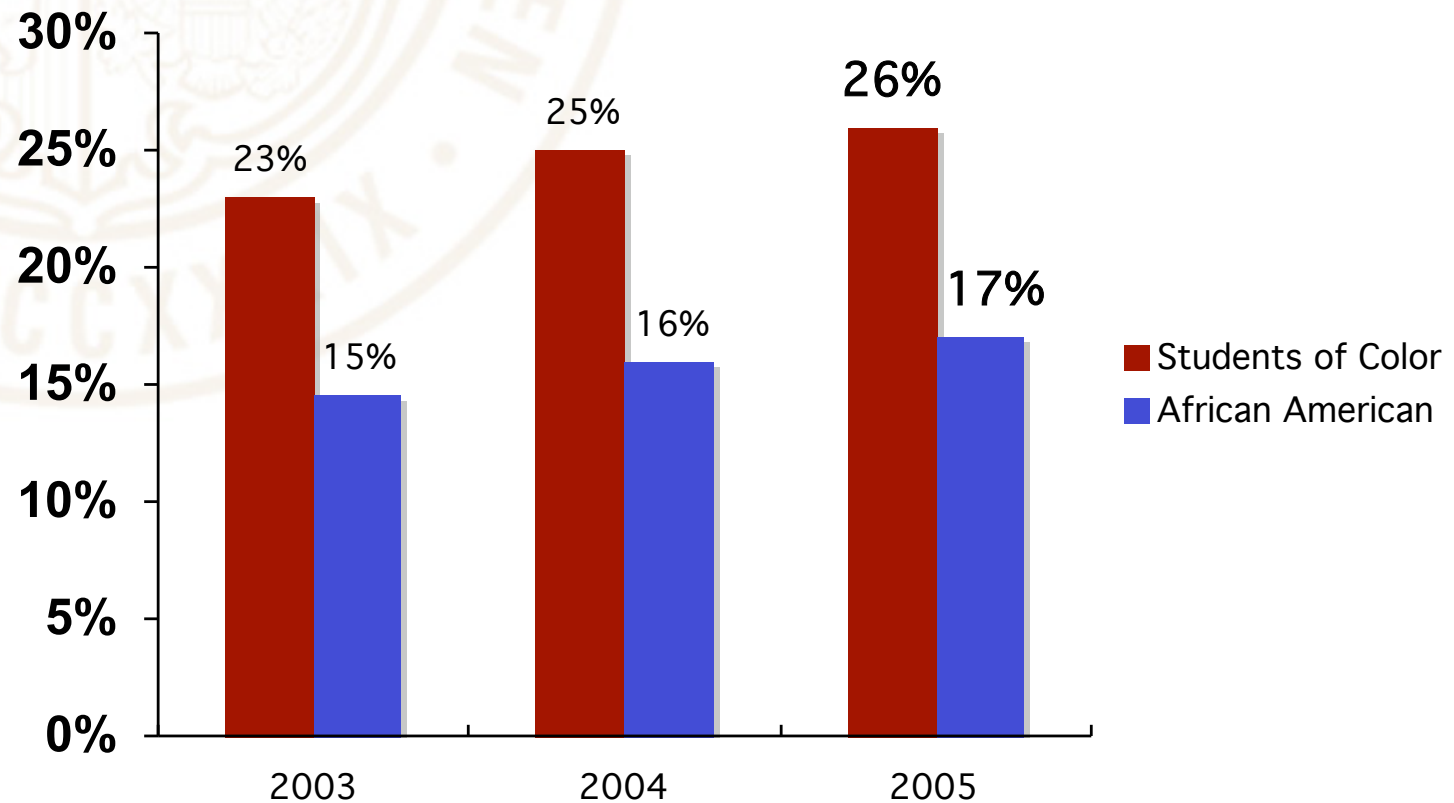
Increasing student enrollment

Total Enrollment: **15,600**



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Enhancing student diversity



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Fostering residential life

More than 1,000 students living on campus

New residence hall to open August 2006

- 430 beds
- Wireless network
- Four study lounges
- Student art gallery
- Swimming pool



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Student civic engagement

75 UMSL students spent their spring break in New Orleans helping residents clean-up and rebuild their Hurricane Katrina-ravaged community.



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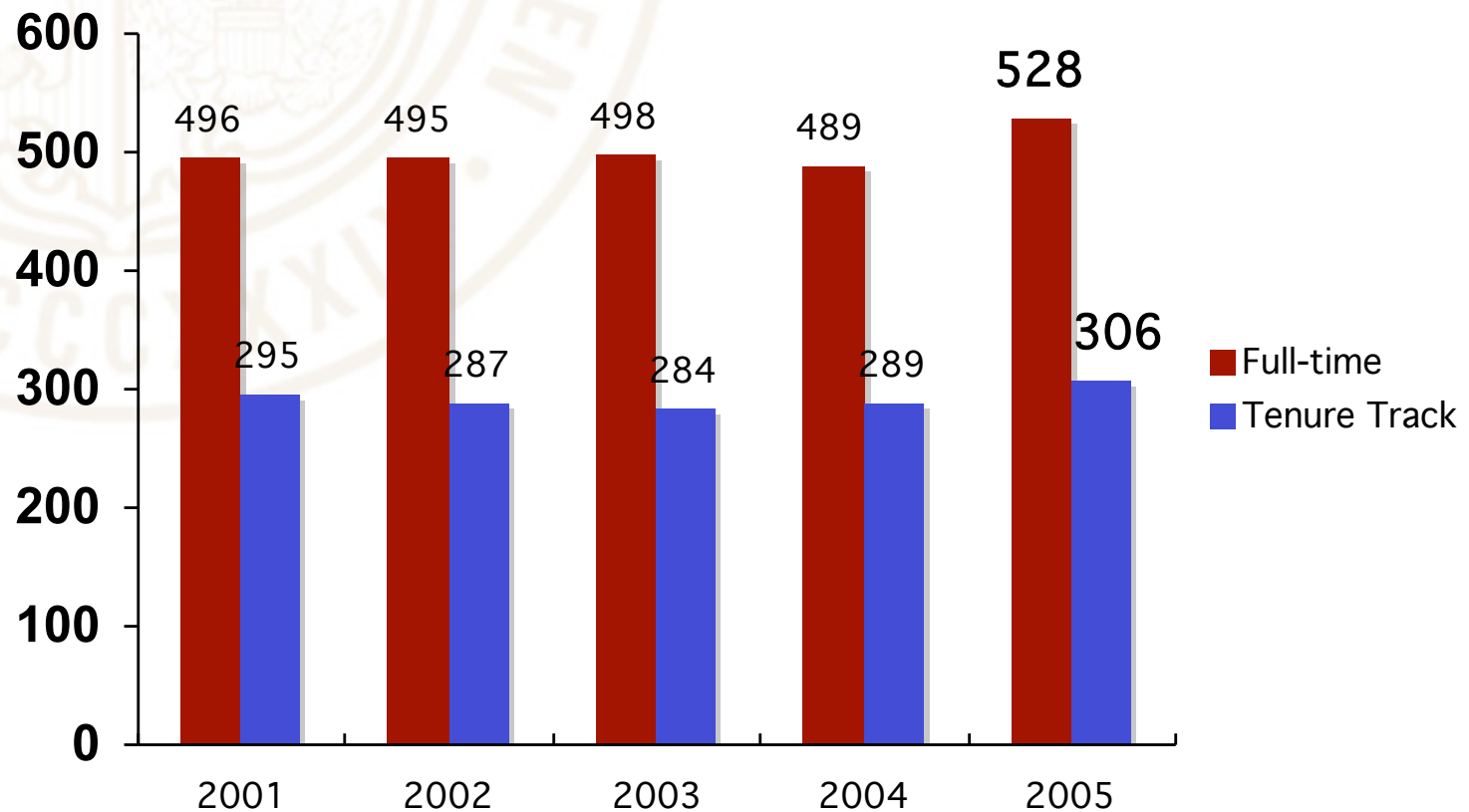
Student civic engagement

6 UMSL fraternities and sororities raised \$12,000
at a charity basketball game benefiting the
Christopher Reeve Foundation.



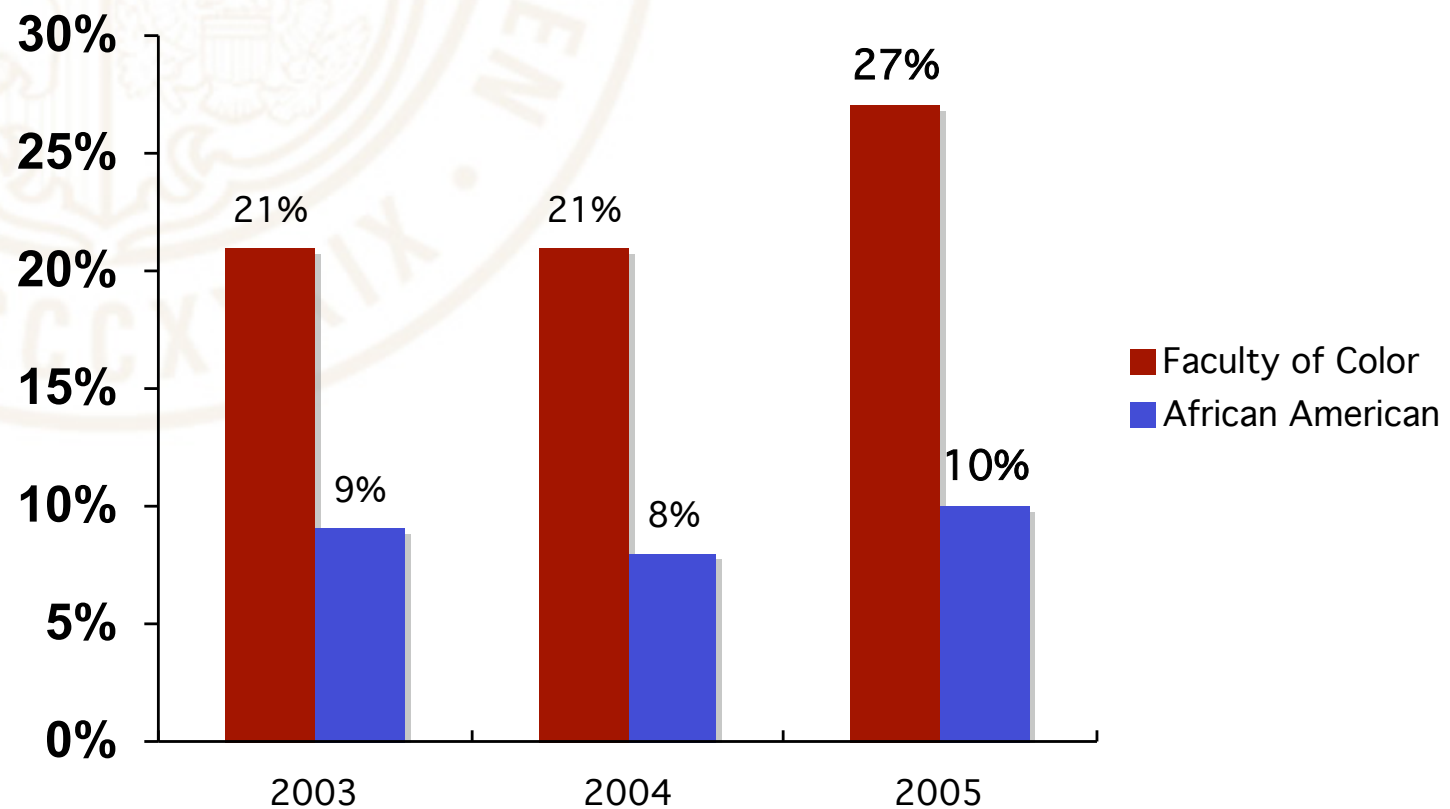
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Rebuilding the faculty



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Enhancing faculty diversity





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Recognizing exceptional faculty

Howard Schwartz, English, National Jewish Book Award, “Tree of Souls: the Mythology of Judaism”

Kevin Fernlund, History & Education, executive director of the Western History Association

James Chickos, Chemistry, 2006 American Chemistry Society-St. Louis Educator Award

Ken Mares, STARS program, 2006 Science Educator Award, St. Louis Academy of Science

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Nationally ranked programs

U.S. News & World Report

Criminology & Criminal Justice ranked 4th

International Business ranked 16th

– Launched IMBA program

UMSL received its best overall rating





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Building exceptional programs

The Department of Communication ranked fifth nationally by the *Journal of Communication* for faculty productivity.

MA program in Philosophy ranked second nationally in the *Leiter Report*.

The College of Business Administration listed by the *Princeton Review* guidebook *Best 237 Business Schools*.



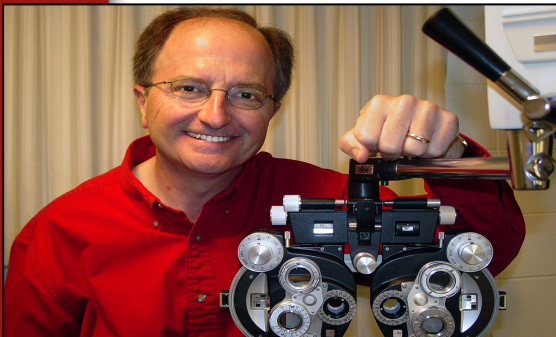
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Spotlight on Optometry

State's only optometric program

800 graduates practicing in 37 states and three foreign countries

More than half of practicing optometrists in Missouri are UMSL graduates



25th
Anniversary

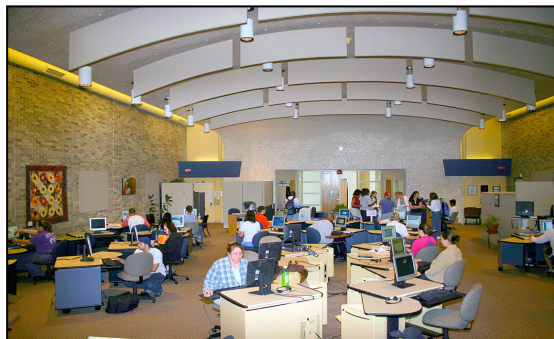
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Spotlight on College of Education

1,300 undergraduate and **935** graduate students

Largest producer of certificated education professionals in Missouri

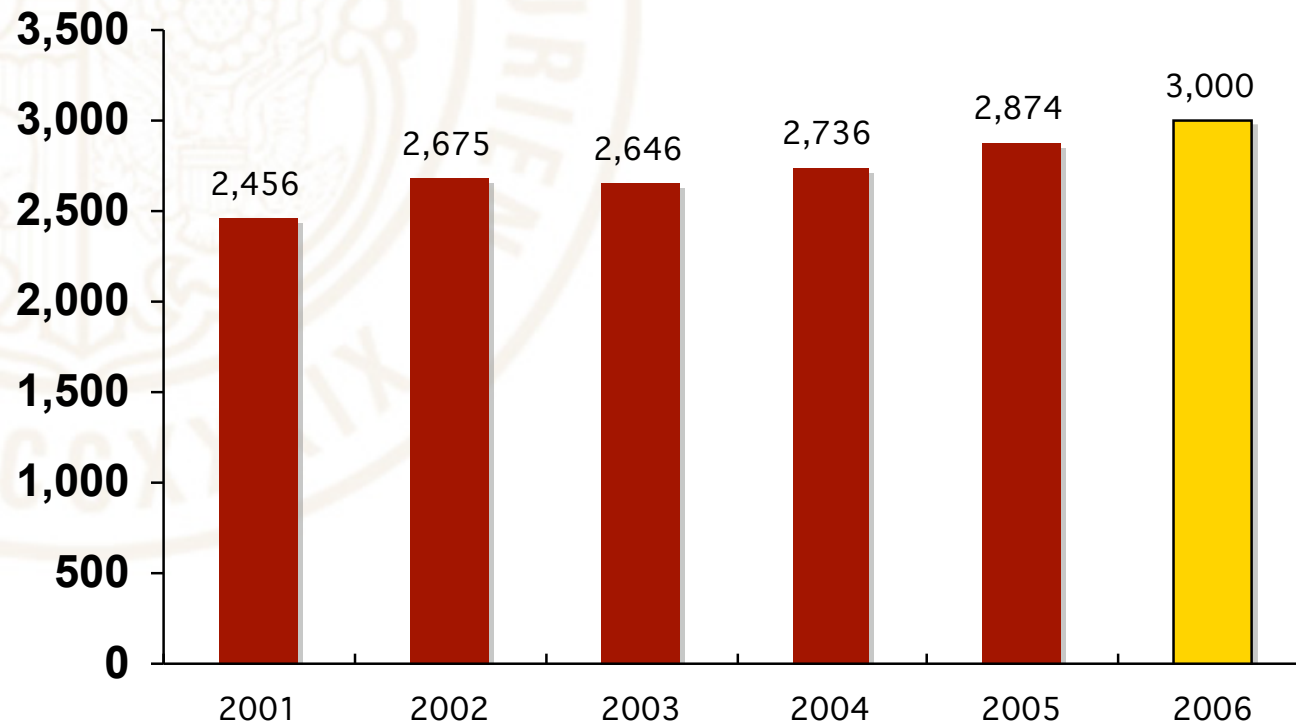
Only Teacher's College at Columbia University has more endowed professorships



40th
Anniversary

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Record number of graduates



Records also with 862 master's degrees,
58 doctoral degrees in '06

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Significant alumni network

With nearly 50,000 alumni working in St. Louis, UMSL has the region's largest alumni association ...

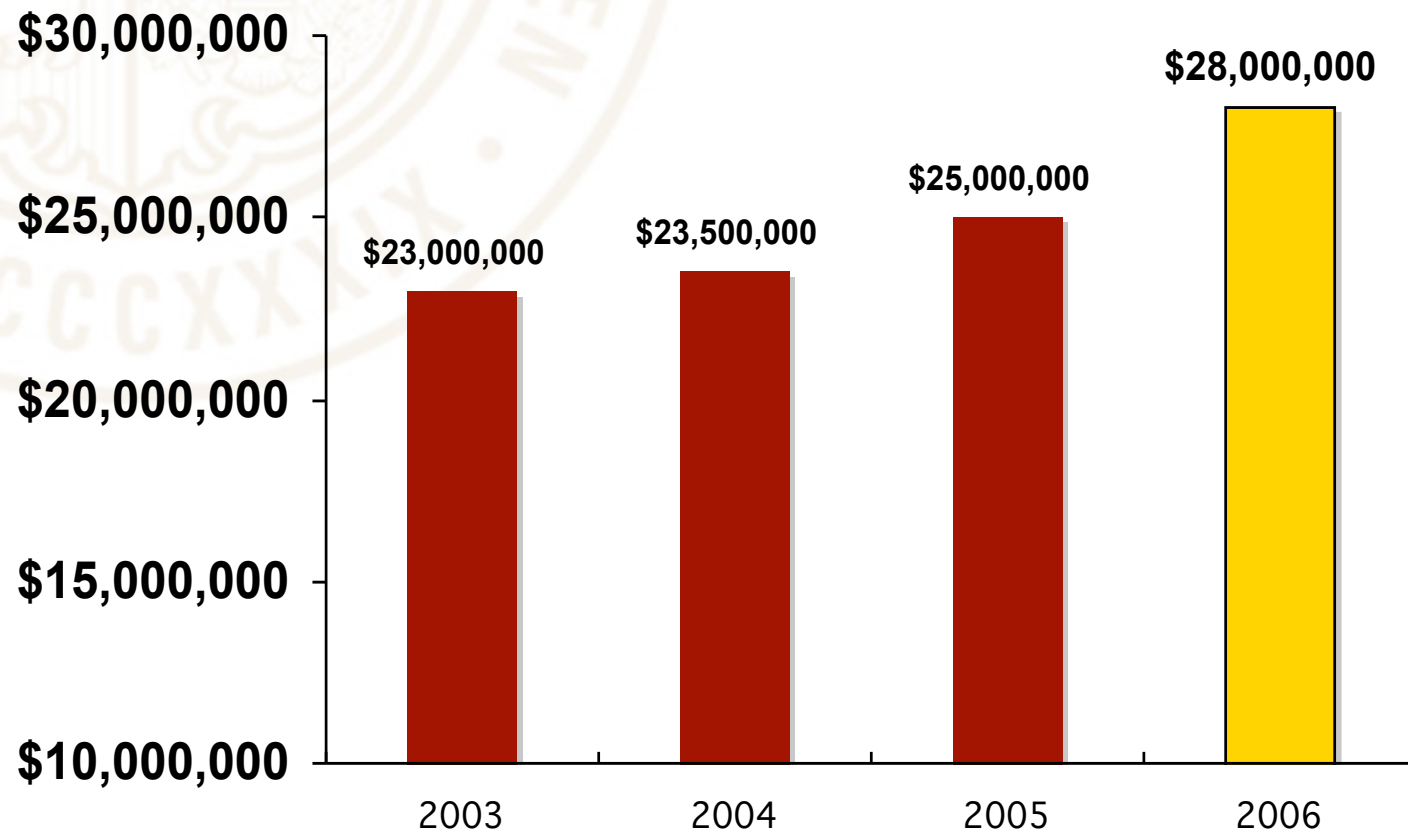
– *St. Louis Business Journal*

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Growing external funding






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Largest grant in campus history

GEAR-UP program is a \$60 million project involving 40 partners, including St. Louis Community College

- \$28 million U.S. Department of Education grant
 - Initiative to enhance local high school graduation and college attendance rates among students from eight school districts
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Funding gap adjustment

\$10.8 million total commitment proposed

- \$2 million funding gap adjustment 2007
- \$500,000 funding gap adjustment 2006
- \$2.7 million allocation, fiscal year 2005



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Increasing student scholarships

More than \$3.2 million in new scholarships


\$1.5 million in institutional funding

\$1.7 million in endowed scholarships (57 scholarships)

Increase in freshmen yield rate – 49% from 38%

542 freshmen – 20% increase

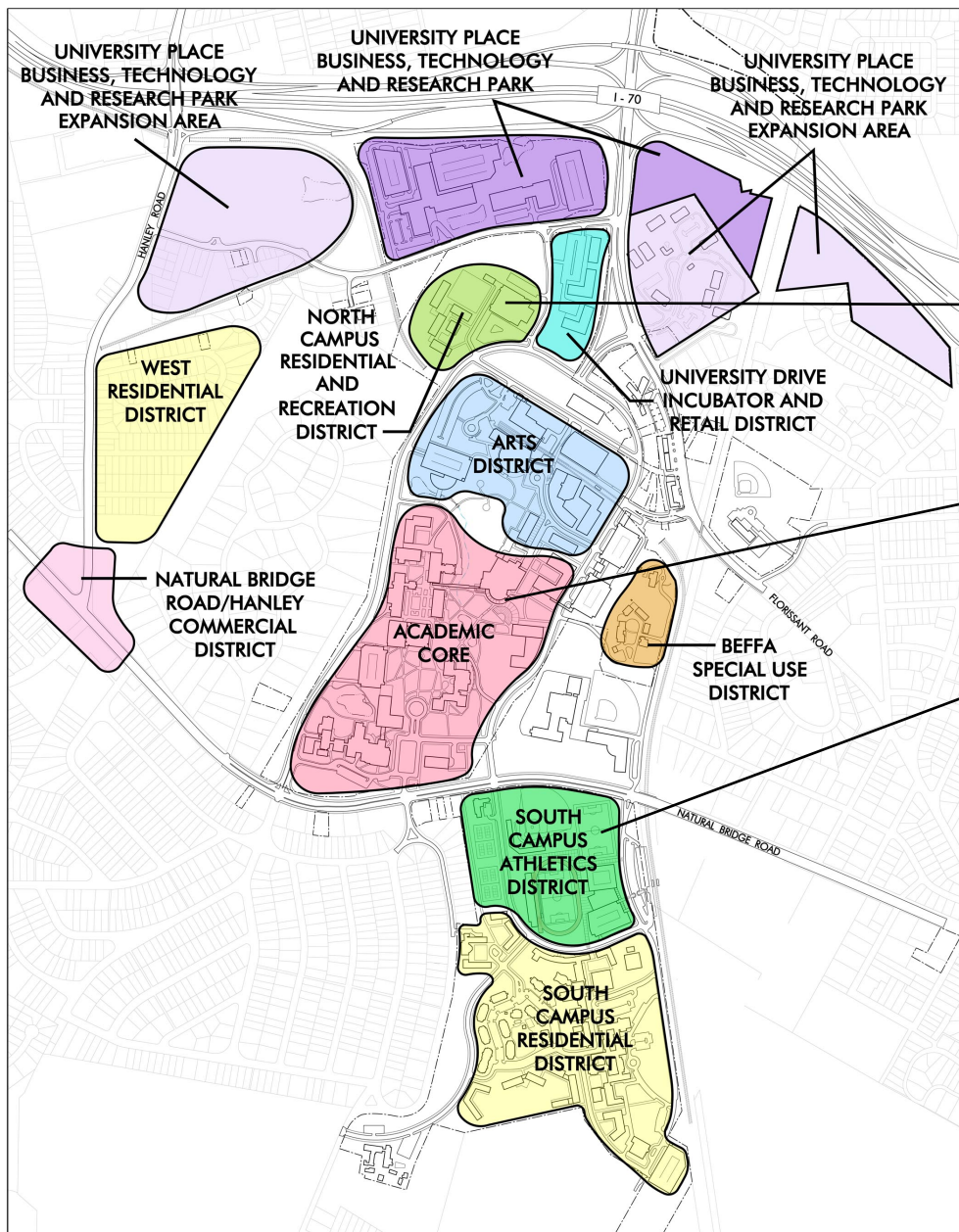
1,911 transfers – 11% increase



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Master Plan update

Three significant changes



Residential, Recreational Center

Academic Core

Athletics District

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Community Trails



Biking, hiking trails
Trailnet, Great Rivers Greenway

Millennium Plaza

To Forest Park

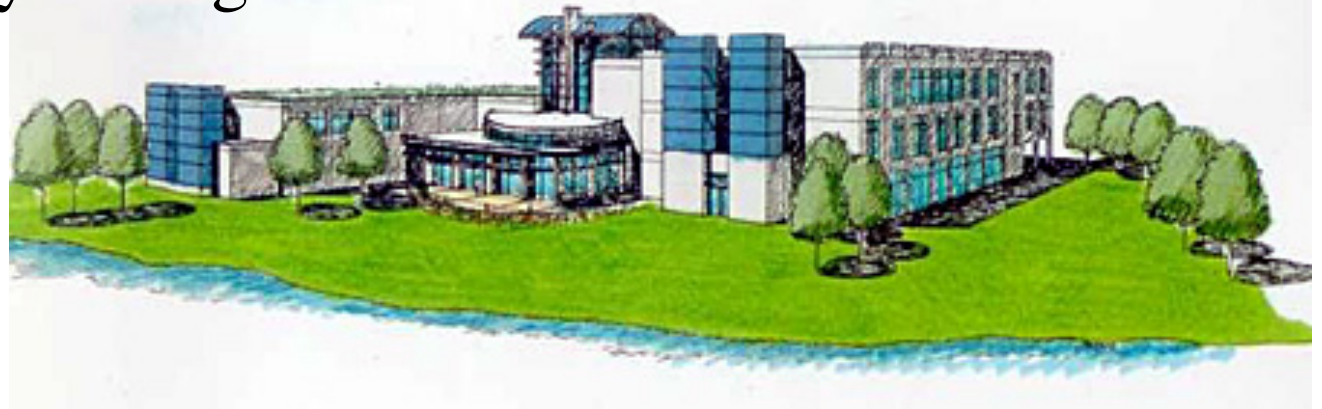
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Continuing civic engagement

Free tuition for 75 students from Katrina-ravaged universities

Vashon High School-UMSL Collaborative involved 44 seniors in classes on campus

Partnership in west St. Louis County with St. Louis Community College



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Meaningful economic development

Conducting applied research

- UMSL's James Bashkin created new treatment to fight virus that causes cervical cancer
- UMSL's Sam Wang published discovery that could lead to drought-tolerant crops
- UMSL's Zhi Xu invented commercially used ultra-sensitive spectrophotometer

Center for Emerging Technology, CORTEX (Midtown)

Develop IT incubator



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Business, Technology & Research Park

Express Scripts corporate headquarters

- Increased internships and job opportunities for students at Fortune 150 company
- Potential research partnerships, including information technology, health-care economics and public policy
- Enhanced economic activity and general increase in tax revenues for surrounding communities

Opens Spring '07



ESI Headquarters

- 320,000 square feet
- 1,200 to 1,400 employees
- Option to build second facility



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