

Welcome to the  
**State of the University Address**

Chancellor Tom George  
September 2010



## Governor's Higher Education Summit

- Improve degree attainment
- Statewide review of academic programs [10-5-3 rule]
- Increase collaboration
  - ❖ Administrative activities/Online delivery/3-year degrees
- Develop sustainable multi-year funding model
- Carol Twigg of National Center for Academic Transformation, praised UMSL's Math Technology Learning Center

## State Budget Forecast

- Federal stabilization funds will end this fiscal year
- State faces a \$400-\$500 million funding gap in FY2012
- Translates into further reductions for higher education – and this campus
- Expect UM System Board of Curators will seek tuition and fee increases above CPI

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## **Missouri Institute of Mental Health joins UMSL**

- 100 MIMH employees generate about \$6 million in research and program grants
- UMSL faculty, MIMH employees already work together on projects
- Expect to use UMSL connections to generate more state and federal grants



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## UMSL in Greater St. Louis Top 50

- University received a Greater St. Louis Top 50 Award from St. Louis Commerce Magazine
- Winners based on positive impact to local business community's future
- UMSL lauded for its role in the social and economic advancement of the area
- Don't tell ... but UMSL will receive the award again in November



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## U.S. News & World Report

- Undergraduate International Business program ranked 20<sup>th</sup> nationally ... 8<sup>th</sup> year in top 20
- Doctoral Criminology and Criminal Justice program ranked 4<sup>th</sup> nationally
- Only such programs in UM System to receive this attention



## Programs make Academic Analytics Top 20 ranking

- Faculty Scholarly Productivity Index evaluates doctoral programs based on the annual productivity of faculty
- Counselor Education 4<sup>th</sup>
- Information Systems 6<sup>th</sup>
- Evolutionary Biology 16<sup>th</sup>
- Teaching and Learning 19<sup>th</sup>

## First-day on-campus enrollment increase of 3 percent

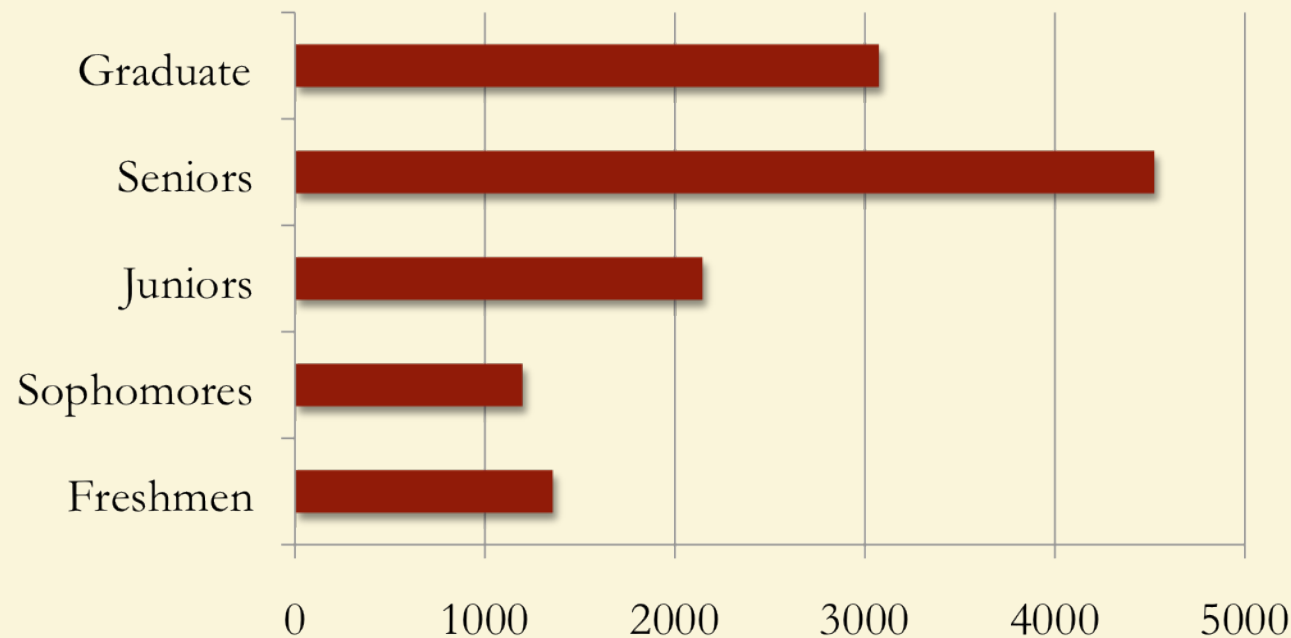
- Expect to top 16,550 record set last fall when total enrollment is filed Oct. 1
- Average freshman ACT is up to 23.6 from 22.8 – well above state and national average
- Credit hour production is running ahead of headcount – meaning students have increased classloads

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## Enrollment by level

- UMSL will set another record in graduate enrollment
- UMSL becoming more noted for research and graduate/doctoral programs as it matures



## Athletes excelling in and out of the classrooms

- 59 student athletes achieved all-conference academic honors from GLVC
- Student athletes continue to graduate at a much higher rate than student population as a whole
- Freshman golfer Shweta Galande named GLVC Freshman of the Year
- Women's golf head coach James Earle named Coach of the Year.



## Women receiving national attention

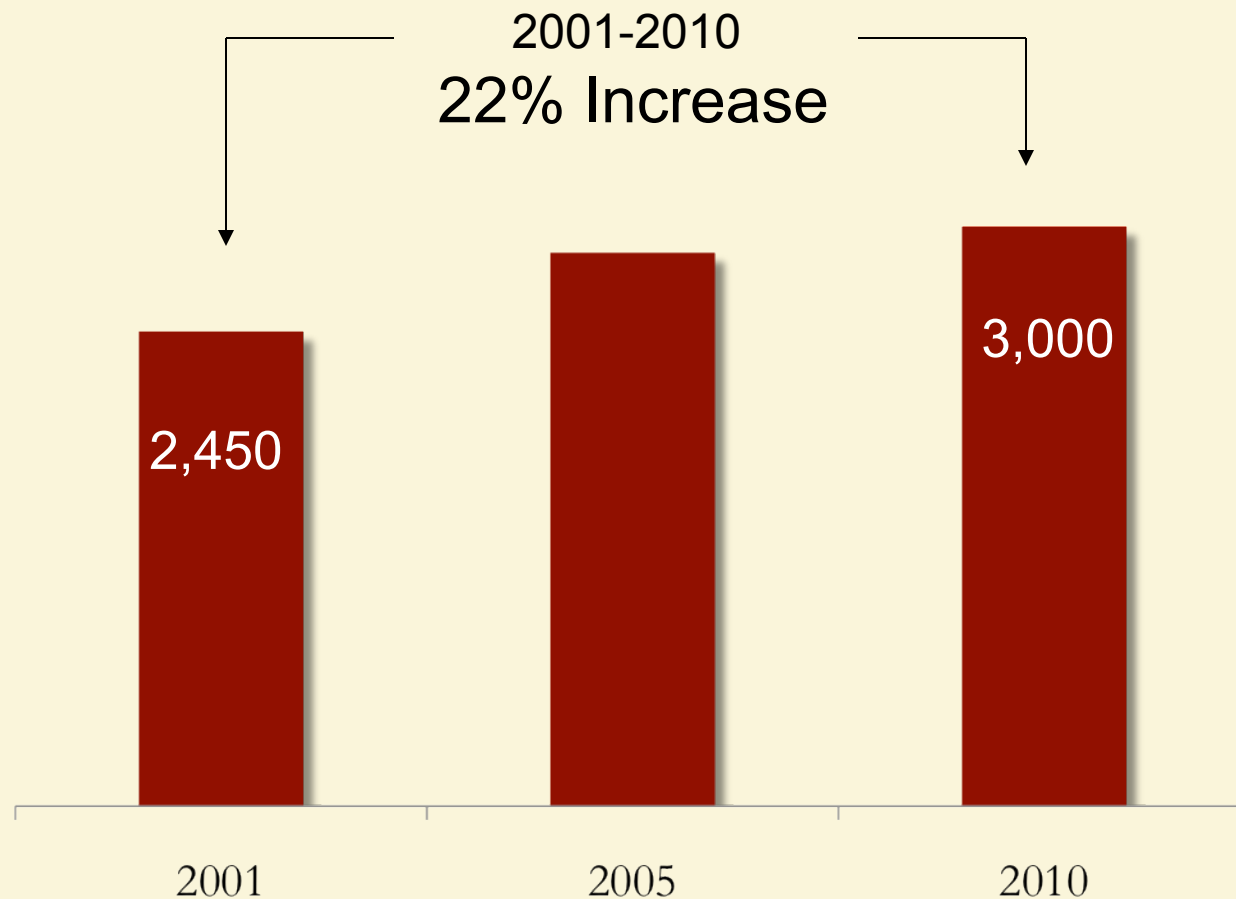
- Women's golf won Screaming Eagle Tournament this past weekend with a single round record of 299
  - ❖ Beat three nationally ranked teams
- Women's volleyball team is ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> nationally with 9-2 record
  - ❖ Highest ranking since 1993



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## Students continue to graduate in record numbers





## **Express Scripts partnership produces 15 freshly minted MBAs**

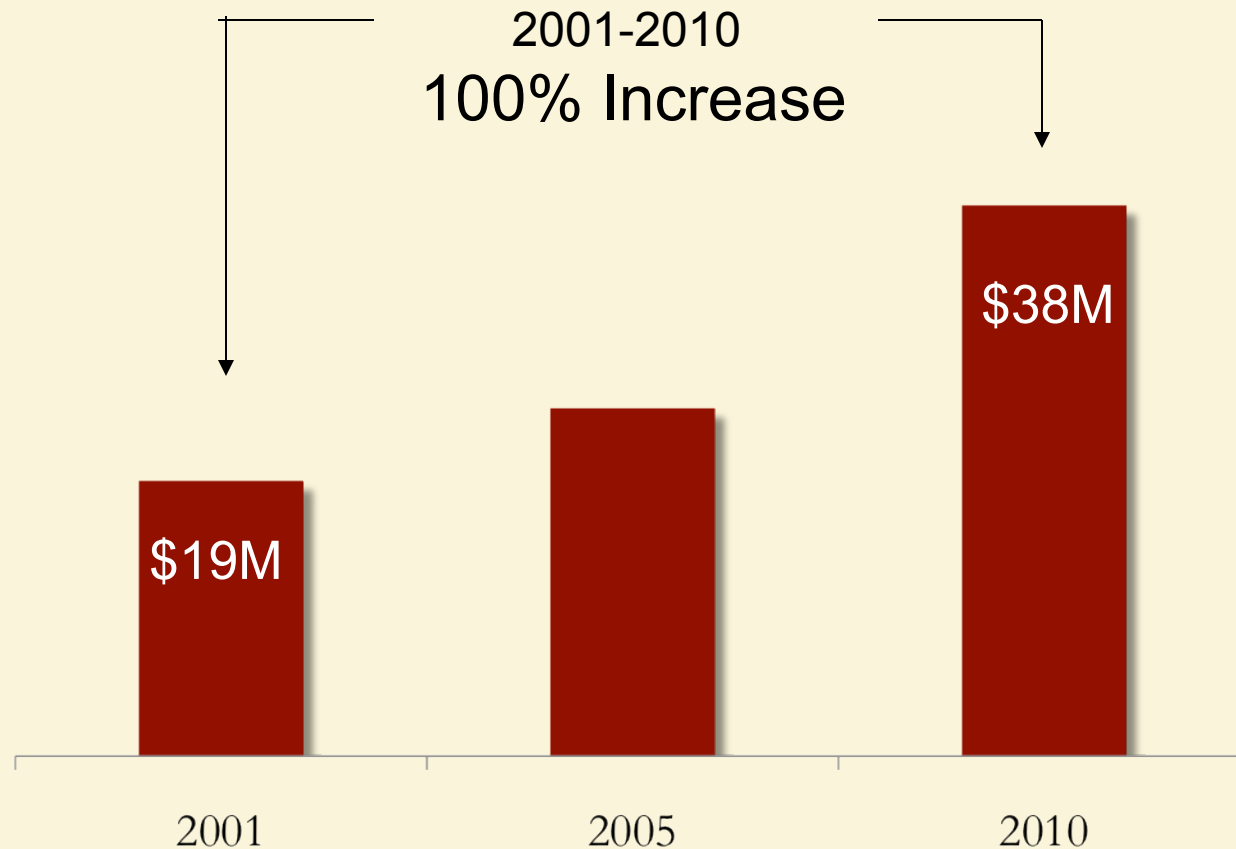
- Student marshal for August commencement, Elizabeth Newport, one of 15 Express Scripts employees who earned MBA this summer
- Express Scripts management organized the cohort with assistance from UMSL's Tom Eyssell
- Example of Express Scripts and UMSL working together



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## Faculty efforts drive increase in external funding ... set record



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## UMSL chemist nets \$3 million grant from National Institutes of Health

- James Bashkin is developing antiviral drug to prevent the virus that causes cervical cancer
- Bashkin and his colleagues have generated nearly \$9.5 million in grants to date



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## UMSL professor first Latina to win Quest Award

- Biologist Zuleyma Tang-Martinez won award this summer from Animal Behavior Society
- Recognizes longtime achievements in animal research



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## UMSL lends support to other area education institutions

- Melissa Hattman of Continuing Education elected vice chair of the Board of Trustees of St. Louis Community College
- Professor Rebecca Rogers of Education elected president of the St. Louis Public Schools Board of Education



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## UMSL passes Gateway for Greatness campaign goal two years early



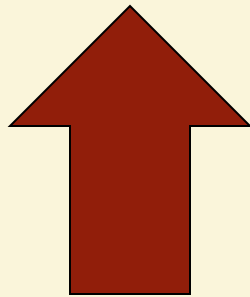
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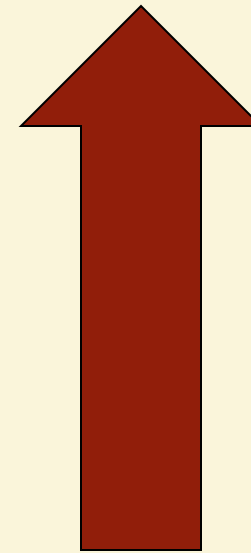
## So ... guess what ... we've increased our campaign goal

\$150 Million Dollar Goal

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## Business College receives \$2 million for new building

- The Boeing Company announced its \$1 million gift in July
- Edward Jones presented its \$1 million check to UMSL earlier this month
  - ❖ Second \$1 million gift from Edward Jones since the Gateway campaign began





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- St. Louis Post-Dispatch
- St. Louis Public Radio
- Associated Press

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## **Emerson, UMSL launch Opportunity Scholars Program**

- All-inclusive, four-year scholarship awarded to under-represented and first generation college students from local high schools
  - ❖ Students must demonstrate academic ability in science, technology, engineering or mathematics
  - ❖ Corporate partners will provide financial support, internships and mentors
- Emerson is contributing \$1.65 million, along with gifts from David and Thelma Steward of World Wide Technology and Energizer, to begin the program in fall 2011

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# Three Student Stories One Gateway for Greatness Video

