President John R. Broderick’s 10th State of the University Address

2016-17 HIGHLIGHTS

NATIONAL RECOGNITION
- One of the top 15 universities in the U.S. with the best track record of graduating African-American students, according to Education Trust.
- The most affordable college in Virginia, ranked by Business Insider.

STUDENT SUCCESS
- Highest six-year graduation rate in University’s history.
- Second-largest percentage of degree recipients in STEM-H fields among doctoral schools in Virginia.
- Most pathways to degree completion in Virginia, through 190 transfer agreements.
- More than 24,000 students expected in the fall.

STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- Janay Brown grew her gourmet bacon business at ODU’s Strome Entrepreneurial Center and was named a winner of the American Small Business Championship.
- The Monarch Way, a store featuring products of student and alumni entrepreneurs, opened in August.

FACULTY SUCCESS
- Jennifer Michaeli in engineering technology and Anatoly Radyushkin in physics received the state’s Outstanding Faculty Award. To date, 31 of our faculty have received this distinction, the second-highest number in the state.
- $2 million grant awarded to Silvana Watson and colleagues in special education to improve instruction in English as a second language.

EXPANDED CAMPUS
New buildings include:
- Broderick Dining Commons, named for Kate and John R. Broderick at the request of student leaders for spearheading inclusion initiatives and their commitment to student success.
- State-of-the-art, five-story Education Building, which serves as the southern entrance to the campus.
- Mitchum Basketball Performance Center, 25,000-square-foot practice facility for men’s and women’s teams.

ACADEMIC GROWTH
- Launched Online Virginia Network, a partnership with George Mason University, offering high-demand degrees online to more Virginians.
- Added new programs in areas of job growth — such as undergraduate majors in real estate and enterprise cybersecurity and master’s degrees in sport management and park, recreation and tourism studies.

STRONGER PARTNERSHIPS
- Longstanding research collaboration with NASA. ODU engineering student-designed payload was launched from NASA Wallops Flight Facility.
- Enhanced partnership with Port of Virginia to help plot its future.
- Closer connections with Eastern Virginia Medical School resulted in joint research on techniques for sepsis cure, which drew worldwide attention.

ENHANCED RESOURCES
More than $760 million in new funding since John R. Broderick became president in 2008, including:
- $500 million in capital funding for academic, research and student projects.
- $240 million in significant gifts, from academics to the arts.
- $28 million in new operating funds from the state since 2012.

RESEARCH COMMERCIALIZATION
The stock payout for Pulse Biosciences, a company created to pursue the cancer-fighting discoveries made by researchers at the Frank Reidy Research Center for Bioelectrics, was valued at $42 million. This is ODU’s most successful commercialization effort and the largest for a Virginia university in 2016-17.
Where we’re going

**FUNDRAISING TO EXPAND ODU’S POTENTIAL**
Old Dominion to launch $200 million fundraising initiative for:
- More scholarships as well as stipends for internships and study abroad opportunities for students. A special “Bridge the Gap” fund will help low-income students meet financial challenges.
- Greater resources to enhance faculty teaching and research.
- More support for athletics to help renovate football stadium and reduce student fees, with $25 million already raised.

**STRONGER PRESENCE IN VIRGINIA BEACH**
New graduate health sciences programs and centers to be introduced in areas including telehealth, resiliency and water technology.

**MORE BUILDINGS ON THE WAY**
- The Barry Art Museum will open in fall 2018.
- Hugo Owens residence hall, Child Study Center, Chemistry and Life Sciences Building and Health Sciences Building are in development.

**THE NEXT LEVEL IN RESEARCH, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
Increased efforts to commercialize faculty research and expand economic development projects, to align with initiatives such as GO Virginia, ReInvent HR and V-RIF (Virginia Research Investment Fund).

**ENHANCING STUDENT LIFE**
Coming this fall is The Mane Hub, a gathering space for students on the first floor of Webb University Center. A new space for military-affiliated students to come together will be created in the former Education Building.

**EXPAND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS**
ODU to begin search for a coach for the new women’s volleyball team. It will begin practicing in renovated Jarrett Athletic Administration Building in 2019 and playing in 2020.

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**RANKINGS AND AWARDS**

**U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT**
- Top Tier National University
- Top Public School
- Best Online Bachelor’s Program

**SCHEV**
- 31 Outstanding Faculty Awards from the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

**MILITARY TIMES**
- Best for Vets College

**MONEY MAGAZINE**
- Best Colleges for Your Money

**CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION**
- Great Colleges to Work for

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**MONARCH FACTS**

- 24,500 students from 139 countries and all 50 states
- 142,277 alumni in 76 countries and all 50 states
- 286 student athletes on C-USA honor roll
- 18 NCAA Division I varsity sports
- 3rd largest employer in Norfolk, with 3,287 employees
- 153 buildings in more than 220 acres at 6 locations in Virginia