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**2022** was a year of bold thinking, visionary innovations, and a shared mission among all 'Canes to make the University—and the world—better than the year before.

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# National Recognition

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Upon receiving AMBA accreditation, the Miami Herbert Business School became one of only three schools in the nation with the coveted **“triple crown”** accreditation status. The school also was ranked No. 1 by the Financial Times on its Top 10 MBA Schools for Teaching Law list.

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Bascom Palmer Eye Institute was again ranked No. 1 in ophthalmology in the 2022 U.S. News & World Report “Best Hospitals” rankings, while Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center at the Miller School of Medicine—the only National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center in South Florida—moved into the top 50 for the first time, and UHealth’s neurology/neurosurgery programs vaulted into the top 25.

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U.S. News & World Report named two School of Nursing and Health Studies programs on its 2023 “Best Graduate Schools” list—Doctor of Nursing Practice (No. 27) and Master of Science in Nursing (No. 29)—and ranked the Miller School No. 43 for research and No. 6 for diversity.

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NASPA—Student Affairs Representatives in Higher Education recognized the Department of Orientation and Commuter Student Involvement for its Great Start program. The association also bestowed its Pillar of the Profession award upon Nanette Vega, Miller School assistant dean for diversity, inclusion, and community engagement.

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Billboard magazine included the Frost School of Music on its 2022 Top Music Business Schools list.

# Climate Action

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ranked the University **No. 8** on its Top 30 College and University list of green power users. The University also became a member of the EPA's Green Power Partnership program.



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A division of the U.S. Department of Defense selected the Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric, and Earth Science as one of three institutions to lead its nationwide Reefense research program, which offers a \$7.5 million grant, with options of up to \$21 million, to develop hybrid reef structures that protect coastal regions.



With a generous gift from Eric T. Levin, the University launched the Climate Resilience Academy, a functional academic unit that links private and public partners to address climate change and other complex global issues.



The Office of Civic and Community Engagement unveiled the Climate and Equity Mapping Platform, a collection of resources that provide data and policy recommendations to protect Miamians from the growing impacts of extreme heat.

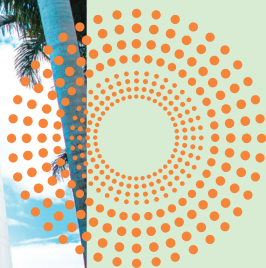


Fourteen students from the School of Law attended the 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, held in Egypt.

# Mission-Driven Research

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Faculty scientists on the Coral Gables Campus began moving into the ***Frost Institute for Chemistry and Molecular Science***, which focuses on research at the molecular level and is the first in a series of institutes funded by a \$100 million gift from Phillip and Patricia Frost.



The University's sponsored research expenditures totaled more than \$413 million in fiscal year 2022, an increase of 10 percent over the previous year.



The University announced that a new Myeloma Research Institute at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, part of the Miller School of Medicine, will focus on early detection of the form of cancer found in plasma cells.



The Miller School of Medicine received a U.S. patent for a device that diagnoses mild traumatic brain injury, also known as a concussion.



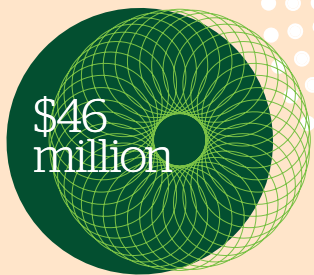
The University unveiled a new undergraduate degree in innovation, technology, and design, which is stewarded by the College of Engineering and requires student teams to create prototypes and business plans to tackle real-world problems.



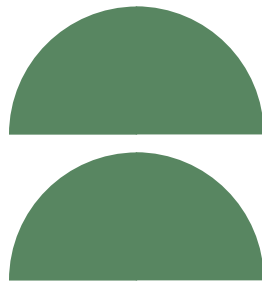
The University formalized its partnership with the Organization of American States to share research, academic activities, and guidance.

# Advancing Health Equity

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The John P. Hussman Institute for Human Genomics at the Miller School was awarded a **\$46 million grant by the National Institute on Aging** to lead a five-year, global initiative to expand Alzheimer's disease genetic studies in underrepresented groups of African ancestry and Hispanic populations.



The National Institutes of Health selected the Institute for Data Science and Computing to spearhead one pillar of an initiative to reduce health disparities by creating new algorithms and health care databases that more accurately reflect the diverse U.S. population.



The School of Education and Human Development began a new study to identify risk factors that may increase the chances for heart disease among diverse populations of post-menopausal women.



The School of Nursing and Health Studies received a five-year, \$3.25 million grant under the Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students program from a branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to promote diversity in the health professions.



A gift from the Chen Family Foundation created the Chen Family Endowed Chair to Advance Primary Care and Health Equity Research, which will enable the Miller School of Medicine to hire a faculty leader charged with advancing health equity throughout South Florida.

# Leadership and Scholarship

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David Yellen, former dean of two prestigious law schools and an expert in criminal law, became **dean and the M. Minnette Massey Professor of Law** in the School of Law.



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Dr. Henri Ford, dean and chief academic officer of the Miller School of Medicine, was elected to the prestigious National Academy of Medicine.

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Dr. Joshua Hare, director of the Interdisciplinary Stem Cell Institute at the Miller School, was elected to the National Academy of Inventors for his development of stem cell therapies for heart disease.

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Dr. Alberto Caban-Martinez, deputy director of the Firefighter Cancer Initiative at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center and Miller School assistant professor, joined a World Health Organization panel that reclassified firefighting as a carcinogenic line of work.

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The School of Education and Human Development, in partnership with Achieve Miami and Teach For America, launched its Teacher Accelerated Program, a first-of-its-kind course that addresses the teacher shortage by offering students paid internships and guaranteed employment on an accelerated track toward becoming teachers in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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School of Architecture assistant professor Germane Barnes received the **Rome Prize in Architecture** and was named by the United States Artists as one of its five distinguished Architecture and Design Fellows.



Amy Clement, professor of atmospheric sciences in the Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric, and Earth Science, was named president-elect of the atmospheric sciences division of the American Geophysical Union, one of the largest organizations for earth and space scientists.

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The University hosted the Concordia Americas Summit, a two-day international forum that convened cross-sector decision-makers, changemakers, and influencers to address critical issues facing the Western Hemisphere.

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Pratim Biswas, dean of the College of Engineering, was elected a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science for his contributions to aerosol science and engineering.

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Frost School of Music associate professor Teresa Lesiuk received a \$200,000 funding grant from the Dr. M. Lee Pearce Foundation to examine the neural connectivity of autobiographical music for those with mild cognitive impairment.





**Ever Brighter:**  
The Campaign for  
Our Next Century

delivered another year of record impact as it approaches the goal of \$2.5 billion by 2025.

The Miller School of Medicine officially dedicated the Desai Sethi Urology Institute, established with a \$20 million commitment from the Desai Sethi Family Foundation and an additional \$9 million in matching gifts.



The University named the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures in honor of Michele Bowman Underwood for her bequest valued at more than \$25 million, which also supports women's health initiatives and scholarships for the women's golf team.



Scott Kornspan and Susan Fleischner Kornspan endowed three new scholarships to support first-generation students from underrepresented backgrounds, attract highly recruited students, and ensure top first-year law students can continue their studies.



A gift from Susan and Stephen Symons will create a new state-of-the-art training facility, named in their honor, for the men's and women's basketball teams.



More than 4,500 participants joined the 12th annual Dolphins Challenge Cancer to ride, walk, run, or volunteer, raising more than \$8.4 million for leading-edge research at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center.



The University secured a record number of new endowed position commitments, bringing the total to 91 toward its goal of 100 Talents by the 2025 centennial.



More than 3,200 donors from 47 states and 16 countries enabled Giving Day to raise a record-breaking \$3.2 million in its fourth year.

# Sensational Students

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Engineering student Joy Jackson led a three-student team that was honored by the **2022 National Institutes of Health DEBUT challenge** for HairWare, an electrode holder they designed to improve the accuracy of electroencephalogram readings among Black people.

Harsh Moolani, an M.D./M.P.H. student at the Miller School of Medicine, received a \$495,000 grant from the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services to advance a nonprofit he created to help alleviate loneliness among nursing home residents.



The University of Miami Debate Team captured its second ACC Debate Championship, defeating Wake Forest University in a virtual competition.



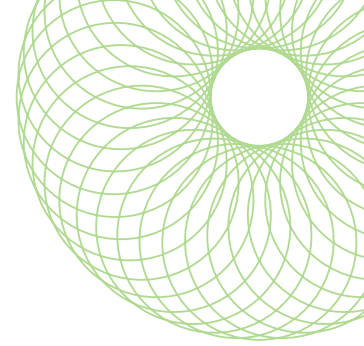
The University was recognized by the ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge as one of the 2022 Most Engaged Campuses for College Student Voting.



Fabrizio Darby, a health science and biology major, led a student team that created Answer Campus—an interactive game in which users engage in complex conversations about identity—and was picked as the Newman Civic Fellow for 2022-23.



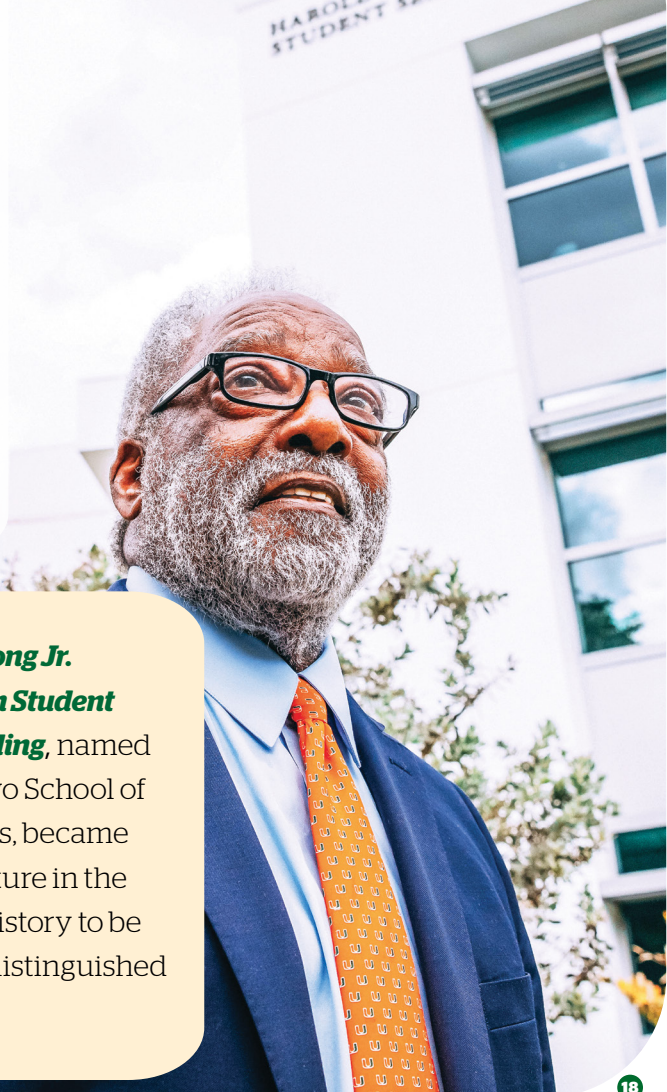
Miami Herbert Business School student Claudio Rizzi received the prestigious 2022 BlackRock Applied Research Award for documenting the impact of nature loss on financial markets.



# Diversity and Inclusion

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***The Harold Long Jr. and H.T. Smith Student Services Building***, named in honor of two School of Law graduates, became the first structure in the institution's history to be named after distinguished Black alumni.



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The University of Miami inaugurated its new Center for Global Black Studies, a unifying platform for initiatives that address racism and inequalities throughout society.



The University was named to Forbes' 2022 Best Employers for Women list.



The Toppel Career Center won Best Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion Program Award at the Global Career Services Virtual Summit 2022 for its BreakThru Meet-Up, where underrepresented and minority students meet with company representatives before the spring career fair.



The University received a perfect score on Athlete Ally's Athletic Equality Index, recognizing its commitment to LGBTQ-inclusive practices in athletics.

# Athletic Achievements



Mia Vallée won the NCAA 1-meter springboard title and was named **ACC Women's Diver of the Year**. Her coach Randy Ableman was named ACC Men's and Women's Diving Coach of the Year.

The men's basketball team reached the Elite Eight in the NCAA Tournament, the deepest run in program history. Head coach Jim Larrañaga logged his 700th career victory, becoming one of only 34 NCAA Division I head coaches in history to reach the milestone.



The women's basketball team advanced to the ACC Championship for the first time in program history. The team also reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament.



The women's track and field team won the ACC Outdoor Track & Field Championship.



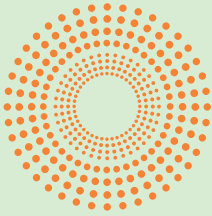
Daevenia Achong and Eden Richardson advanced to the NCAA women's tennis doubles final.



Miami Hurricanes student-athletes posted a Graduation Success Rate of 93 percent, matching a record high set in 2012.



The University announced plans to build a new Football Operations Center, which will include a seven-story operations building, a parking garage, and a dining center to serve all University student-athletes.



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