

Points of HURRICANE
PRIDE
2016



UNIVERSITY
OF MIAMI

A white ibis with a long, red, downward-curved beak and red legs stands on a log in a pond. The background is a blurred green and brown, suggesting a natural habitat. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

**FROM ACADEMIC AWARDS TO
ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS,
THE U HAS PLENTY OF
REASONS TO BURST WITH
HURRICANE PRIDE!**

NATIONALLY RANKED

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The University of Miami is ranked **No. 44** on *U.S. News & World Report's* 2017 Best Colleges list, which also names UM among the top research universities that graduate students with the lowest amount of debt.

UM is also ranked **No. 37 out of more than 1,000** national public and private institutions on the inaugural Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education ranking of U.S. colleges and universities.

The Miller School of Medicine is ranked **No. 44 among the nation's top research medical schools** on *U.S. News's* 2017 Best Graduate Schools list, while the Miller School's Physical Therapy program is ranked **No. 10**.

The School of Nursing and Health Studies' Master of Science in Nursing program climbs 21 spots to **No. 40** in the *U.S. News* rankings, and its Doctor of Nursing Practice program is **No. 38**. Other UM graduate programs in the top 50 *U.S. News* rankings include tax law (**No. 12**) in the School of Law, clinical psychology (**No. 25**) in the College of Arts and Sciences, health care management (**No. 33**) in the School of Business Administration, and marine geosciences (**No. 42**) in the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science.

Bascom Palmer Eye Institute at UHealth—the University of Miami Health System is ranked **No. 1 in ophthalmology** by *U.S. News & World Report* in its 2017 Best Hospitals issue, marking **its 15th time as the nation's best**.



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AméricaEconomía ranks the School of Business Administration's full-time MBA Program **No. 7 among U.S. MBA programs for Latin Americans and No. 22 in the world.**

The undergraduate business program is ranked No. 31 by *Bloomberg Businessweek*.

Billboard magazine names the Frost School of Music among the **"top 12 elite" music business schools** shaping the music industry's future.

The School of Communication's Interactive Media Program earns a **No. 23** ranking on The Princeton Review's list of the top 25 graduate schools to study game design for 2016.

For the sixth year in a row, the American Heart Association designates UM a **Fit-Friendly Worksite** for going "above and beyond" for its employees' health.

The World Health Organization redesignates the School of Nursing and Health Studies as a **Pan American Health Organization/WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing Human Resources Development and Patient Safety**, making it one of only 10 nursing-related centers in the nation and one of 42 in the world.

Fostering a Culture of Belonging

UM is recognized as an institutional member—the first in Florida—of the prestigious **Edward A. Bouchet Graduate Honor Society**, recognizing scholarly achievements and promotion of diversity and excellence in graduate education.

The School of Nursing and Health Studies receives the **INSIGHT Into Diversity Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award** for its achievements in and commitment to broadening diversity and inclusion in the health professions.

The new **LGBTQ Student Center opens** on the Coral Gables campus, supporting the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning students and allies. The center's inaugural director is Van Bailey, a distinguished student affairs educator and scholar who serves on the boards of several national advocacy groups.



BUILDING A BETTER U

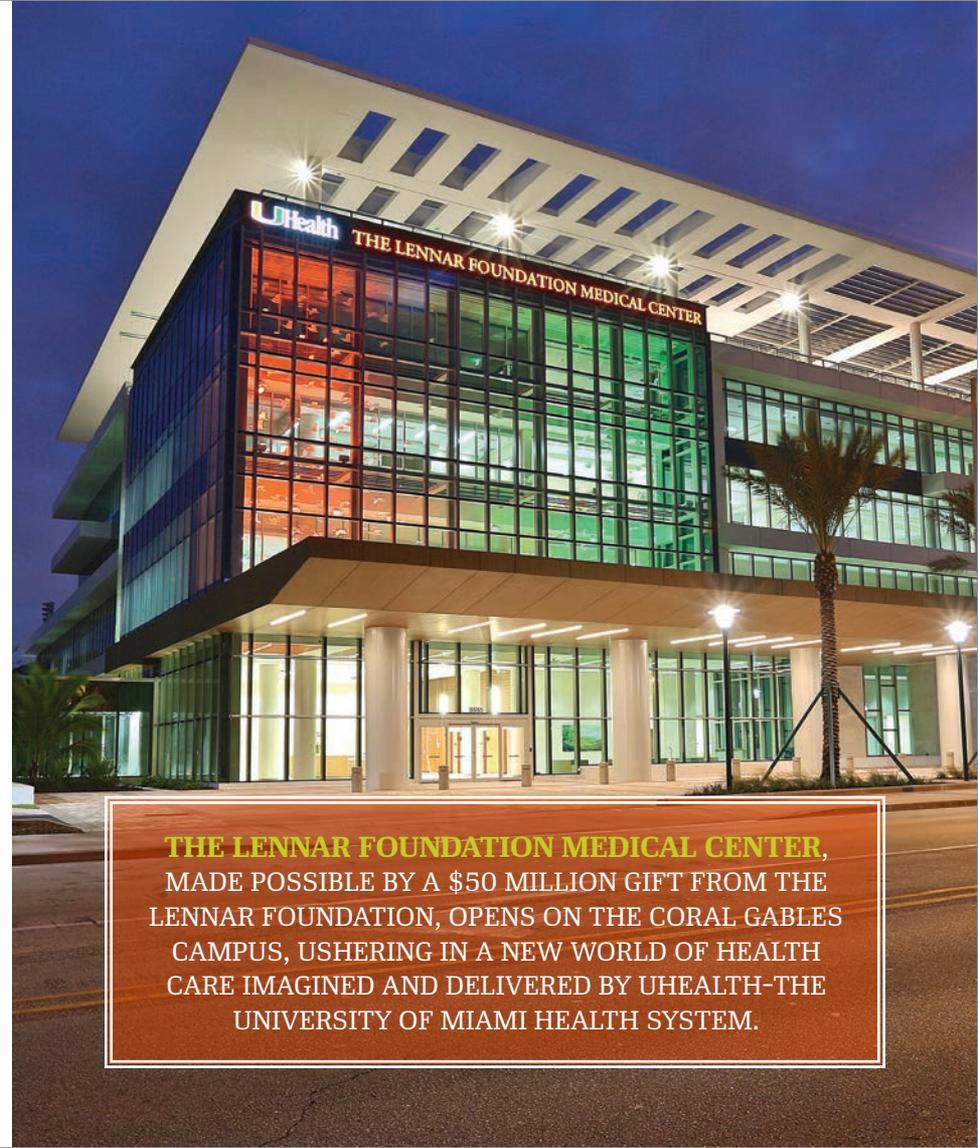
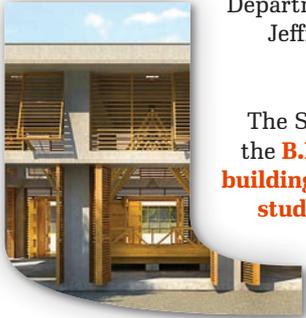
The new **Koenigsberg and Nadal Interactive Media Center**, a fully equipped multimedia agency where collaboration and creativity intersect, opens at the School of Communication.



The Miller School of Medicine holds a ceremonial groundbreaking for its new **Center for Medical Education**, a state-of-the-art facility made possible by a \$50 million gift from the Miller family.

The construction of the **Carol Soffer Football Indoor Practice Facility** on the Coral Gables campus is announced, thanks to the largest donation in the history of the Department of Athletics—a \$14 million gift from Jeffrey Soffer and his siblings in honor of their mother, Carol.

The School of Architecture breaks ground on the **B.E. & W.R. Miller BuildLab, an open-air building that will protect Design Build program students from the elements** as they create prototype projects for not-for-profits and underserved communities.



THE LENNAR FOUNDATION MEDICAL CENTER, MADE POSSIBLE BY A \$50 MILLION GIFT FROM THE LENNAR FOUNDATION, OPENS ON THE CORAL GABLES CAMPUS, USHERING IN A NEW WORLD OF HEALTH CARE IMAGINED AND DELIVERED BY UHEALTH-THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HEALTH SYSTEM.

Leaders and Scholars

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Julio Frenk, former dean of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Mexico's minister of health from 2000 to 2006, is **inaugurated as UM's sixth president** on January 29, 2016. In May, President Frenk is named to the board of directors of the United Nations Foundation.

UM alumnus Guillermo "Willy" Prado, Leonard M. Miller Professor of Public Health Sciences and the director of the Division of Prevention Science and Community Health at the Miller School, is **appointed dean of the Graduate School**.

Grammy-winning, Emmy-winning, and Oscar-nominated composer James Newton Howard becomes **artistic director of the Frost School of Music's Henry Mancini Institute**.

Louis Herns Marcelin, associate professor of anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences, is **selected to participate in the Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Residency Program**, which brings scholars from different backgrounds to northern Italy to address complex issues.

Walter Secada, professor and senior associate dean of the School of Education and Human Development, is appointed to the new **STEM education seat on the NASA Advisory Council Science Committee**.



The University of Miami introduces 'Cane Talks (canetalks.miami.edu)—lively ten-minute presentations by leading thinkers and scholars in the UM community illuminating important questions facing the world.



Neil Schneiderman, the James L. Knight Professor of Psychology and professor of medicine, psychiatry and behavioral sciences, and biomedical engineering at the Miller School, receives the **Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research's Lifetime Achievement Award** for pioneering clinical-translational research.

A research team led by David Nolan, professor and chair of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences, is awarded the **American Meteorological Society's prestigious Banner Miller Award**, which recognizes outstanding contributions to the science of hurricane and tropical weather forecasting.

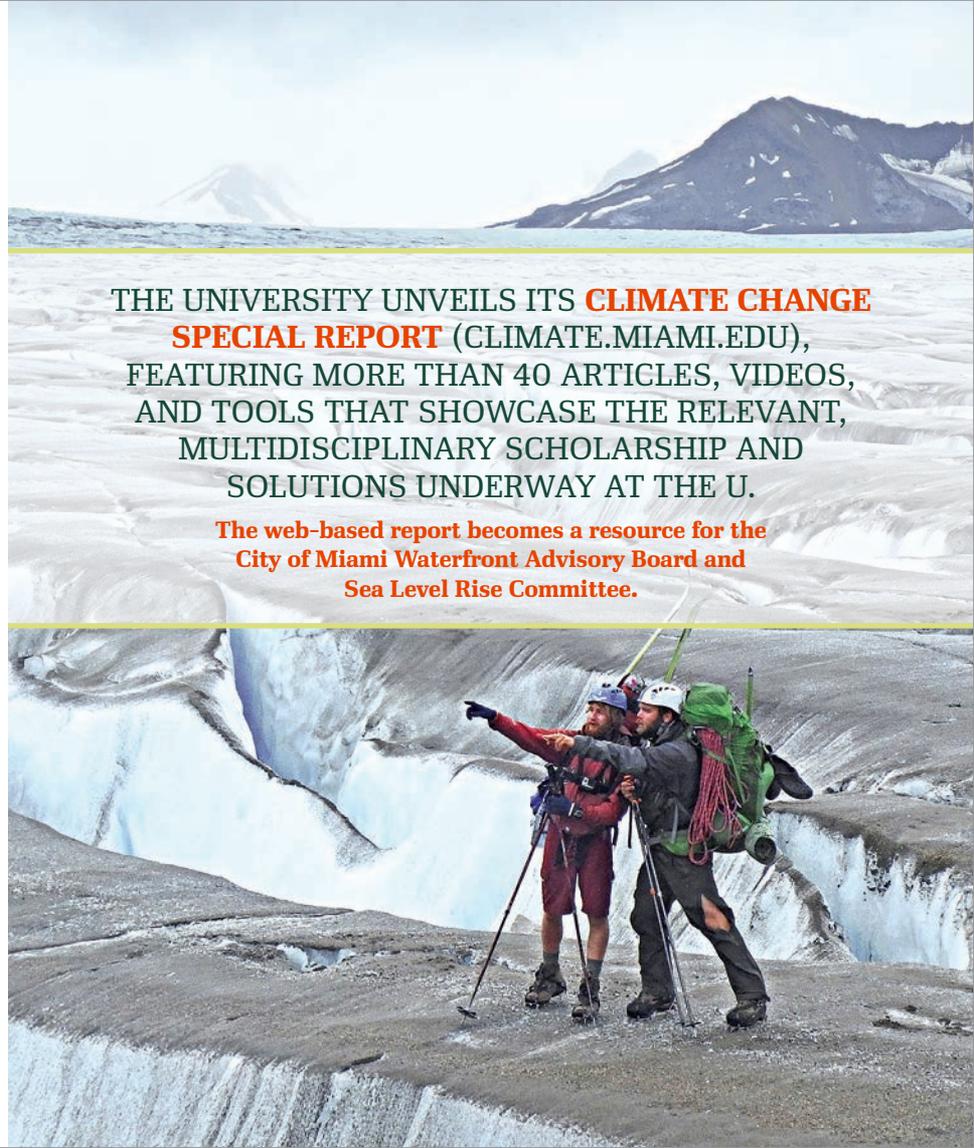
CUTTING-EDGE RESEARCH



Funding for over 2,100 externally funded projects grows to **\$323.8 million in sponsored grants and contracts**. This includes more than \$99 million from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), making the Miller School once again the top NIH-funded medical school in the state. The School of Nursing and Health Studies, which conducts pioneering research to reduce health disparities, is **No. 22 nationwide** and the top nursing school in the state for NIH funding.

A National Science Foundation grant will help researchers from the College of Engineering and the School of Architecture, along with scientists from Virginia Tech, study **the resiliency of two coastal cities**—Miami and Miami Beach.

Researchers from the University of Miami-Nova Southeastern University Center for Autism and Related Disabilities help launch the Simons Foundation Powering Autism Research for Knowledge, or SPARK, an online initiative designed to become **the largest autism study ever undertaken in the U.S.**



THE UNIVERSITY UNVEILS ITS **CLIMATE CHANGE SPECIAL REPORT** (CLIMATE.MIAMI.EDU), FEATURING MORE THAN 40 ARTICLES, VIDEOS, AND TOOLS THAT SHOWCASE THE RELEVANT, MULTIDISCIPLINARY SCHOLARSHIP AND SOLUTIONS UNDERWAY AT THE U.

The web-based report becomes a resource for the City of Miami Waterfront Advisory Board and Sea Level Rise Committee.

David I. Watkins, professor and vice chair for research in the Department of Pathology, receives a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to develop a model for the Zika virus in rhesus monkeys that can guide **the development of diagnostic tools, vaccines, and therapies** in humans. College of Arts and Sciences mathematician Shigui Ruan creates a model to determine how much of a role sexual transmission plays **in the spread and control of the Zika virus**. Mario Stevenson, professor of medicine at the Miller School, heads a laboratory that **develops a diagnostic blood test for Zika that costs a fraction of current tests**, delivers results quickly, and can be performed on the spot in any hospital or outpatient clinic.



The Power of Philanthropy

A new philanthropic record is reached for the University with more than **\$236 million in cash raised** for FY16, an increase of 22 percent from the previous fiscal year.

At his inauguration ceremony, President Julio Frenk announces a **\$100 million** gift from UM Trustee Phillip Frost and Patricia Frost **to support basic and applied sciences and engineering**.

Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, part of UHealth—the University of Miami Health System, announces a landmark \$50 million gift from The Pap Corps Champions for Cancer Research at a ceremony at Sylvester at Deerfield Beach, which will begin a major renovation and expansion in 2017. The location will be named **Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, The Pap Corps Campus**, in honor of the gift.

SUPERLATIVE STUDENTS

Applications
Received

32,525

2,065

Freshmen
Enrolled

30

Mean
ACT
Score

90.8%

Freshman Retention Rate for the 2015 Entering Class

60%

Graduated in the top 10% of
their high school class, and
42% graduated in the top 5%

Demonstrating their commitment to rendering aid and assistance, more than **12,500 students** complete over **157,000 community service hours**.



A registered nurse pursuing her Ph.D. in nursing at UM, **Valerie Halstead is recognized at the White House by Vice President Joe Biden** as one of the nation's "It's On Us White House Champions of Change" for her efforts to change the culture around sexual assault and dating violence on college campuses.

UMTV, the University of Miami's Emmy Award-winning, student-run cable TV station, receives three first-place awards from the National Broadcasting Society's Alpha Epsilon Rho, three first-place Region 3 Mark of Excellence awards from the Society of Professional Journalists, and two second-place awards from the Florida Associated Press Broadcasters.

The student-run newspaper, *The Miami Hurricane*, is recognized with **10 Society of Professional Journalists Florida Sunshine State Awards**, including nine first-place awards. Written and produced by students, ***Distraction* magazine wins an Associated College Press "Best of Show" award** at the ACP National College Media Convention.

'Cane Records, the student-run record label at the Frost School of Music, wins an **Independent Music Award for Best Album Compilation** for the release *For The Record*.

ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Continuing their stellar work in the classroom, Hurricane student-athletes post a **Graduation Success Rate (GSR) of 90 percent**—well above the national average of 84 percent and tied for 15th among Football Bowl Subdivision institutions.

The familiar mantra of “On to Omaha!” rings true again for the Hurricanes baseball team, as the ACC regular season champions advance to the **College World Series** in 2016 **for the 25th time** in program history.

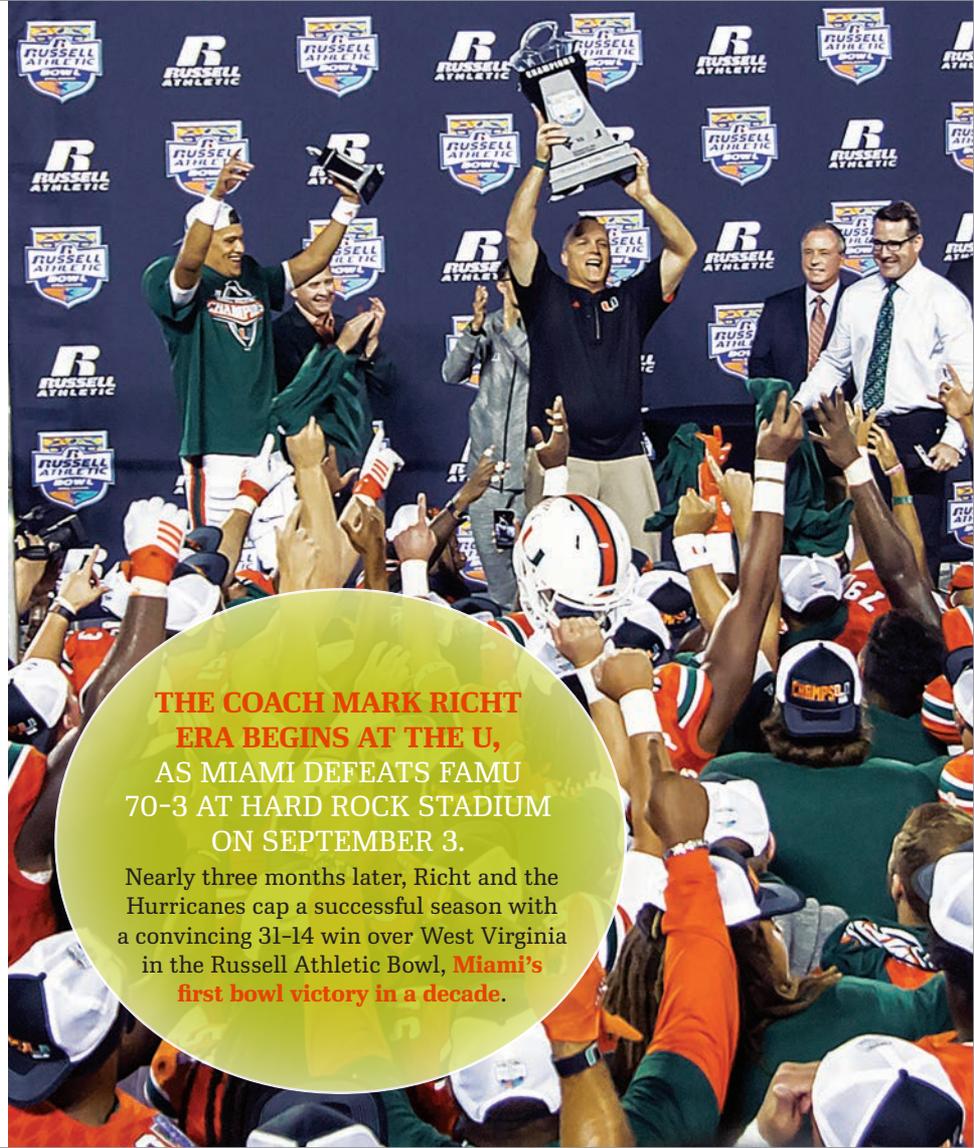
March Madness sweeps the campus, as the men’s hoops team advances to the **Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament**. The women’s basketball squad earns a berth in the NCAA Tournament, while women’s tennis advances to the Sweet 16 for the 11th consecutive year.

Jim Larrañaga, head coach of the UM men’s basketball team, is named the **2016 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year**, his second such honor in four seasons.

The **women’s track and field team** wins its third ACC Indoor Championship.

Alumnus Sam Dorman teams with Michael Hixon to win a silver medal in synchronized 3-meter diving at the **2016 Summer Olympic Games** in Rio de Janeiro.

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**THE COACH MARK RICHT
ERA BEGINS AT THE U,
AS MIAMI DEFEATS FAMU
70-3 AT HARD ROCK STADIUM
ON SEPTEMBER 3.**

Nearly three months later, Richt and the Hurricanes cap a successful season with a convincing 31-14 win over West Virginia in the Russell Athletic Bowl, **Miami’s first bowl victory in a decade.**

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