

We empower students to connect their learning to the world and realize their dreams.



### **MISSION**

The Office of Undergraduate Studies shapes undergraduate education for all students. We build bridges across the campus and collaborate with our surrounding communities to guide students as they navigate their learning, make meaning of their experiences, and prepare for the future.

## STRATEGIC GOALS

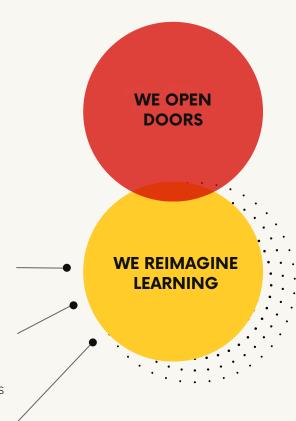
#### WE OPEN DOORS

- We will attract and recruit students with a wide variety of talents and experiences from across the region, state, nation, and world through our outstanding programs.
- We will broaden access to higher education for first-generation, low-income, and historically under-served populations.
- We will expand our unique array of academically themed living-learning and other special programs to reach more students.
- We will recruit and retain the highest caliber staff and faculty to power our programs and initiatives.

The Undergraduate Studies plan supports the University's Strategic Plan commitment to

#### Reimagine Learning

- Lead in the development of innovative and inclusive approaches for teaching and learning
- Expand the use of high-impact experiential learning to ensure every undergraduate and graduate student has the opportunity to learn through public service, civic engagement, internships, and project-based experiences
- Create opportunities for multidisciplinary collaboration that fosters creative expression, discovery, and critical thinking



# WE FOSTER STUDENT SUCCESS

- We will facilitate students' entry and transitions with dynamic programs and robust advising.
- We will promote students' academic success through innovative teaching, mentorship, and support, and through distinctive curricular and co-curricular experiences.
- We will increase access to transformative experiential learning opportunities by leveraging our location in the National Capital region.
- We will support staff and faculty in promoting student achievement by providing meaningful opportunities for professional development, inventive teaching, and program leadership.

The Undergraduate Studies plan supports the University's Strategic Plan commitments to Take On Humanity's Grand Challenges and Partner to Advance the Public Good



- Invest in faculty, student, staff, alumni, and partner capacity to take on grand challenges through foundational, multidisciplinary, and engaged research and curricular innovations
- Leverage our location near the state and nation's capitals to advance and support evidence-based policy that addresses grand challenges at community, state, national, and global levels
- Amplify impactful research, scholarship, creative activities, teaching, and service work through communication, visibility, and translation

- Expand our impact through strategic research partnerships with local, state, national, and global stakeholders.
- Catalyze innovation and entrepreneurship for inclusive economic development.
- Enhance the economy, educational outcomes, social justice, quality of life, and civic engagement of our neighbors and neighborhoods through relationship-building and ongoing commitment to partnerships.

### WE CHANGE LIVES AND COMMUNITIES

- We will prepare students for leadership and careers of service and we will engage them to give back as alumni of our programs.
- We will advance the university's goals by fostering and celebrating diversity and inclusion in our teaching, learning, and working environments.
- We will care for and attend to the well-being of all members of our community by offering balance and flexibility so as to enable all people to flourish as their authentic selves.

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### **Invest in People and Communities**

- Lead the nation in living a commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion in all we do.
- Become a connected, coordinated, and effective community of care that supports the success and well-being of students, faculty, and staff
- Align evaluations, rewards, and incentives with our goals and values



