Welcome

Planning For Our Future

During 2003-2004, two important planning documents were completed. Following the priorities set forth in the SU Facilities Master Plan, the design of the Teacher Education and Technology Center, our next new classroom and faculty office building, is moving forward rapidly. To be constructed at the corner of Route 15 and College Avenue, the TETC harkens back to our roots as a teacher’s college and is envisioned as a “signature building,” second only to historic Holloway Hall in welcoming one’s arrival to SU’s main campus. It will be the home of our departments of Education, Social Work and Communications Arts, complete with a learning center, audio and video production studios, a multi-media laboratory, and a collaborative writing laboratory. We expect to break ground in fall 2005.

The 2004-2008 Salisbury University Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives identified four overarching goals that emphasize: the enhancement of the academic and learning environment; the advancement of a student-centered environment; the fostering of inclusiveness and cultural and intellectual pluralism; and the utilization of strategic collaborations to benefit the University, the region and the State. As part of our effort to collaborate with our surrounding community, I launched SU’s Partners For Progress Initiative, intended to facilitate positive relationships between SU and area businesses and residents. The Town-Gown Council, led by Dr. Martin Pereboom and comprised of community and campus leaders, has met on numerous occasions, and multiple efforts have been made to ensure that area residents are aware of the opportunities offered them by the University and that SU students feel a genuine “welcome” from the surrounding community.

SU AT A GLANCE

President: Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach
Total Enrollment: 6,942
School / Undergraduate Enrollment
- Fulton School of Liberal Arts: 1,803
- Honors School of Science & Technology: 1,343
- Perdue School of Business: 1,281
- Seidel School of Education & Professional Studies: 1,178
- Undergraduate Majors: 43
- Graduate Programs: 11
- Student/Faculty Ratio: 16:1
- Student Profile: from 30 states (including D.C.), 31 countries, half in top 25% of high school class, SAT range 1060-1180
- Faculty Profile: 314 full time, degrees from 104 institutions, 40 states (including D.C.), 3 countries, 87% with terminal degree

New Faces, New Ideas

I am fortunate to have had two new executive staff members join me this past year in the effort to move Salisbury University to its next level of distinction. Rosemary Thomas, formerly at Glenville State College, assumes the position of vice president for University advancement and executive director of the Salisbury University Foundation. She brings much creativity and energy to her role, and we have already witnessed a significant increase in activities and donor support thanks to her skills and exuberance. Greig Mitchell, vice president for finance and administration, comes to us with vast experience in university financing from his previous positions at Shippensburg University and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. In the few months that he has been at SU, he has already brought new insights and leadership to this crucial position.

On The Horizon

We continue to be challenged by State revenue limitations. Salisbury University is weathering this period well thanks to the support of everyone who is part of the SU community. We have also been increasingly successful in identifying alternative sources of revenue through fund-raising efforts and a new focus on planned giving. Strategic partnerships that result in closer ties to the business community and greater opportunities for our students and faculty are moving forward. Despite our current challenges, Salisbury University’s past accomplishments and genuine strengths—our students, faculty, staff, alumni, donors and friends—will lead us to our next level of achievement. Thank you for your hard work and your commitment to Salisbury University.

Janet Dudley-Eshbach
President

Partners for Progress

The Town-Gown Council is comprised of a diverse group who are all concerned about the future of Salisbury and the University:
- SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach
- SU staff
  - Jennifer Berkman, Jeffrey Downes, Sue Eagle
  - Brenda Stanley, Rosemary Thomas and Carol Williamson
- SU faculty
  - Richard England
  - Maureen Pereboom, Brian Stiegler and George Whitehead
- SU students
  - Adam Harrow, Brian Milsted, Elizabeth Salaverri and Hyun Scheminant
- neighborhood residents
  - Gary Chandler, Ginie Lynch and Nancy Thomas
- Alumni Association member Kerrie Jones Bunting
- Salisbury City Council member Lyn Cathcart
- Salisbury Area Property Owners Association President Eric Davis
- Wicomico County Council member Marvin Long
- Salisbury Mayor’s Office representative John Pick
- Fruitland Planning Committee Chair Charles Shores
- Chamber of Commerce President Stephanie Willey
- and SU Foundation members Emilie Robinson and Bill Wyatt.
President Dudley-Eshbach announces her Partners for Progress Initiative

MISSION & CORE VALUES

Salisbury University’s mission is to cultivate and sustain a superior, student-centered learning community where students, faculty and staff are viewed as both teachers and learners, and where a commitment to excellence permeates all aspects of University life. We recruit exceptional and diverse faculty, staff, undergraduate and graduate students and support them as they work together to reach the University’s goals.

Serving Maryland and the Mid-Atlantic region, we are concerned participants in responding to the educational, economic, cultural and social needs of our community and believe that service is a vital component of civic life. Our highest purpose is to empower our students with the knowledge, skills and core values that contribute to lifelong learning and active citizenship in a democratic society and interdependent world.

- Excellence
- Student Centeredness
- Learning
- Community
- Civic Engagement
- Diversity