
BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

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SUCCESSFUL START TO THE SEMESTER

- Orientation and Welcoming the Class of 2026
- Faculty hiring and achievements
- Program development: Kaschak Institute and Decker College degree programs
- Changes to residential and student life
- NENY
- Family Weekend and Homecoming
- University construction
- EXCELERATE!

ORIENTATION

JUNE 27 - JULY 29

- Overnight Orientation with current students serving as advisors
- Changes to Orientation program
 - Virtual course registration with online advisors
 - New sessions on college culture, including drinking norms and conflict resolution, financial literacy and responsibility, career development
- Other summer programs included
 - Binghamton Enrichment Program
 - Trio Student Support Services summer program
 - Upward Bound high school program

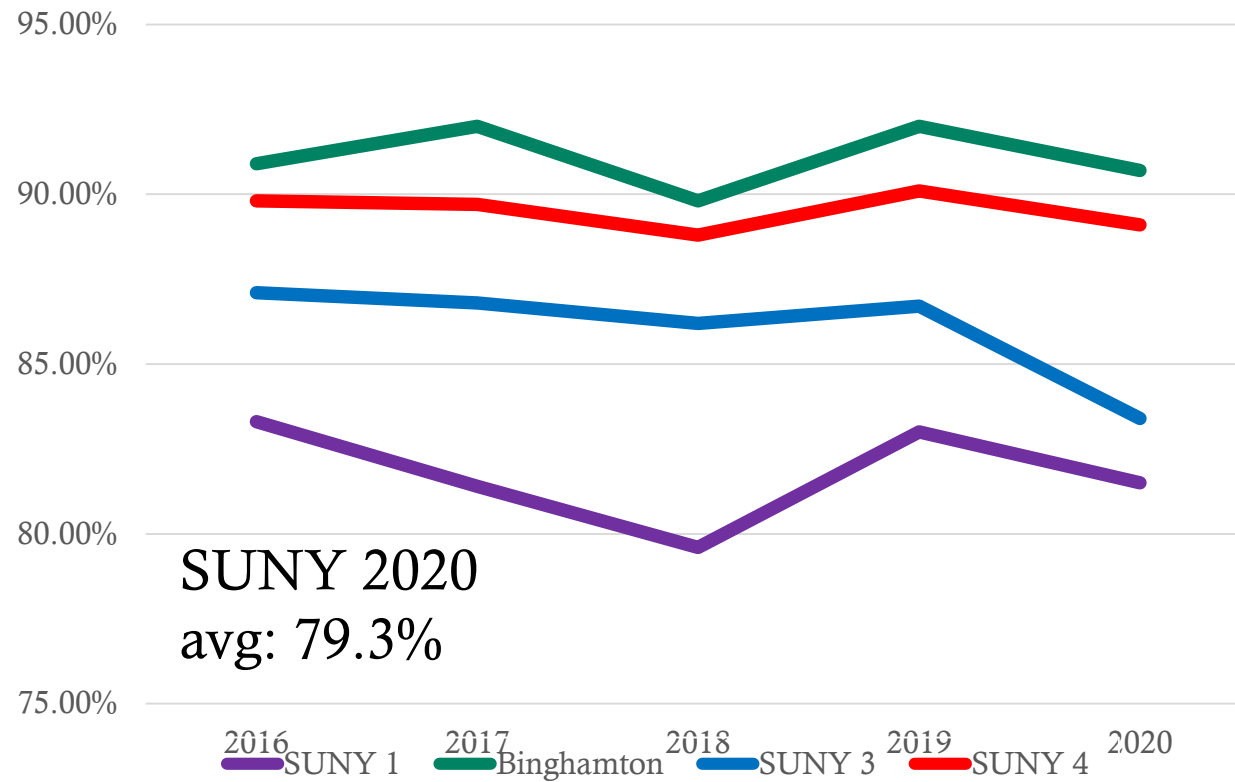


WELCOMING THE CLASS OF 2026

- Move-in days Aug. 18–20
 - Scheduled move-in times reduced congestion
- Incoming class drawn from over 50,000 applications (up 5% from last year)
- ~3,000 first-year students, 1,500 graduate students, 900 transfers
- Geographical distribution:
 - 35% “Upstate” New York (5% Broome and Tioga counties); 23% Long Island; 26% New York City.
 - 16% international and out-of-state
 - International enrollment is rebounding

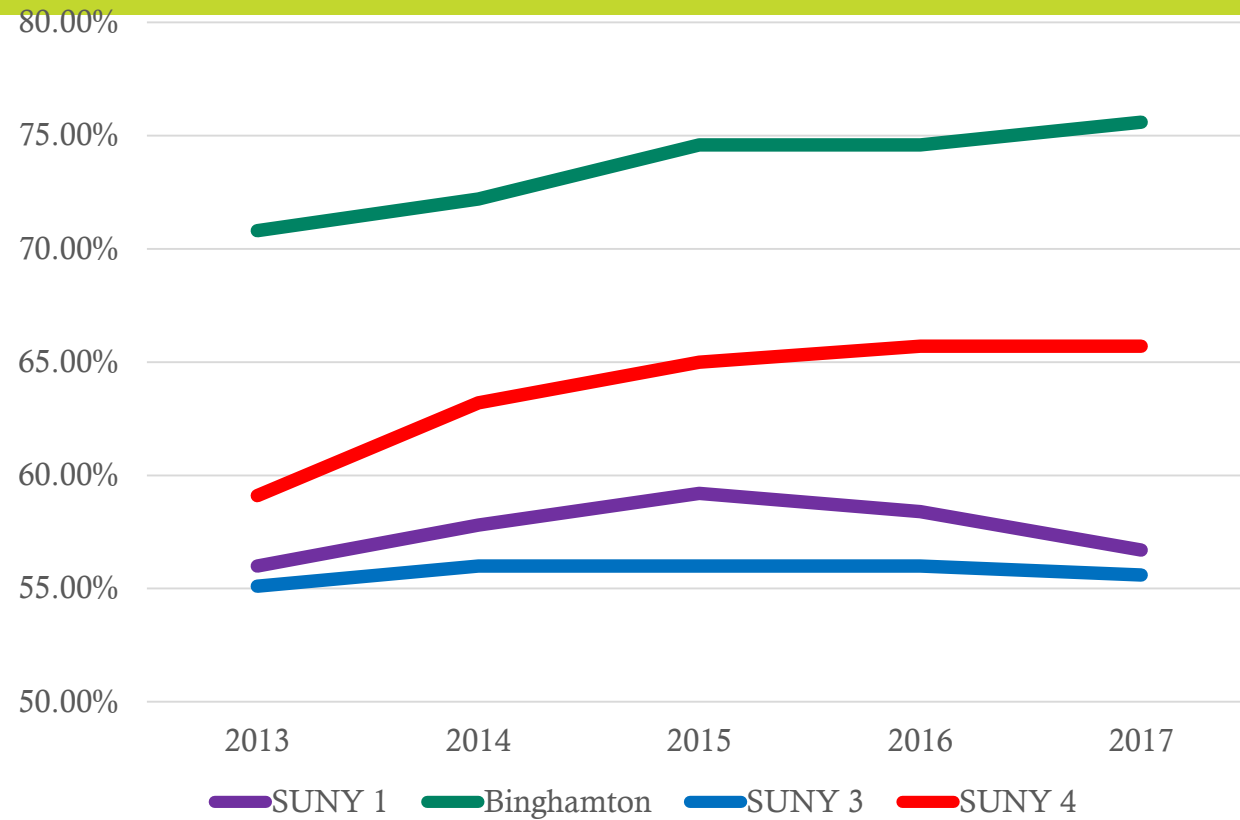


STUDENT SATISFACTION: 1-YR RETENTION RATES

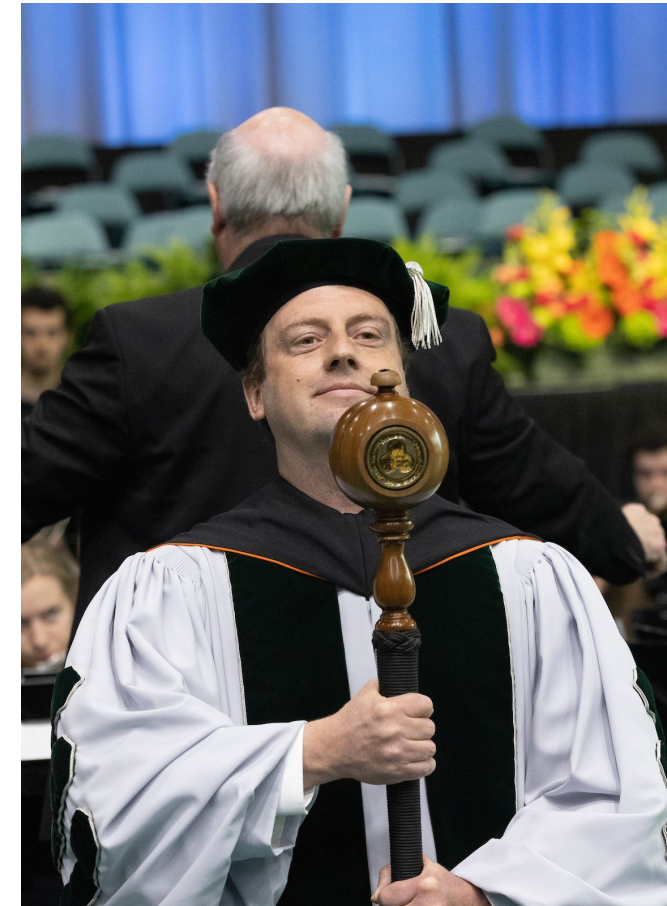


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4- YEAR GRADUATION RATES

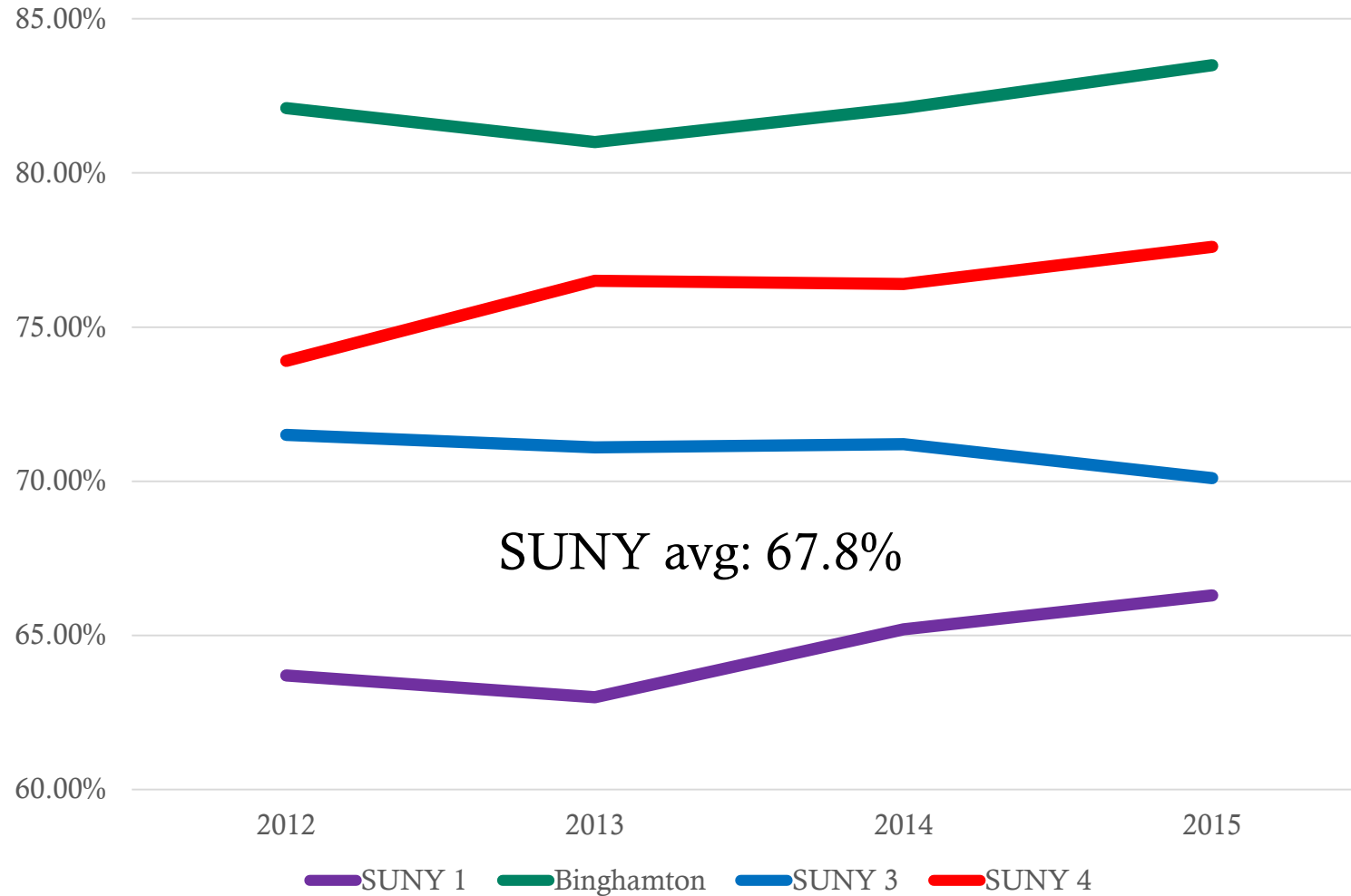


SUNY 2020
avg.: 56.1%



Source: SUNY BI

6-YR GRADUATION RATES



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FACULTY HIRING

New faculty for fall 2022

- ~60 tenure-track faculty joined campus in August
- Larger number than usual due to Covid catch-up hiring

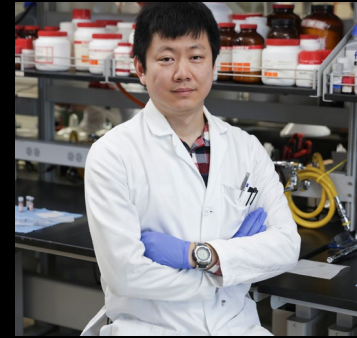
SUNY faculty hiring initiative for fall 2023

- NY state budget allocates \$53 million for faculty hiring in NYS 2022 budget, Binghamton's allocation is \$6.5M (must pay benefits from this allocation)
- Geared toward increasing external research funding
- Dean's proposed hires in each of their schools and colleges. 49 positions submitted.
- Provost and I selected 35 from this list of 49
- In addition to 30 replacement hires!
- If Governor stays on course could bring an additional 175 faculty to Binghamton over the next five years
- Challenges: A space crunch, as well as equipment and startup requirements

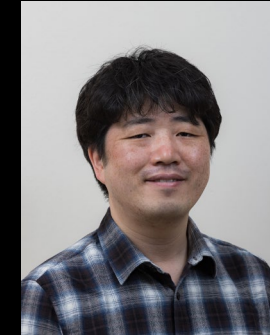


FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

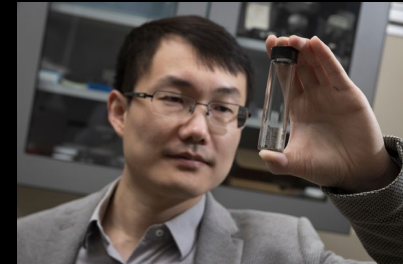
- Four National Science Foundation CAREER awards:
 - Hao Liu, assistant professor of chemistry: sodium-ion batteries.
 - Seunghee Shin, assistant professor of computer science: shorter lag time for cloud computing
 - Pu Zhang, assistant professor of mechanical engineering: “soft-electronics” for stretchable and bendable devices.
 - Kaiyan Yu, assistant professor of mechanical engineering: nanorobotics.
- National Center for Science Education awards Adam Laats, professor of education and history, for his work exploring historical tensions in the teaching of evolution and creationism



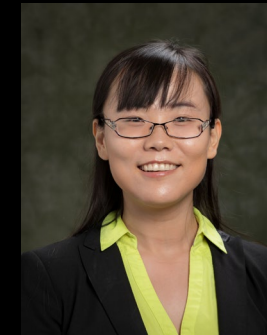
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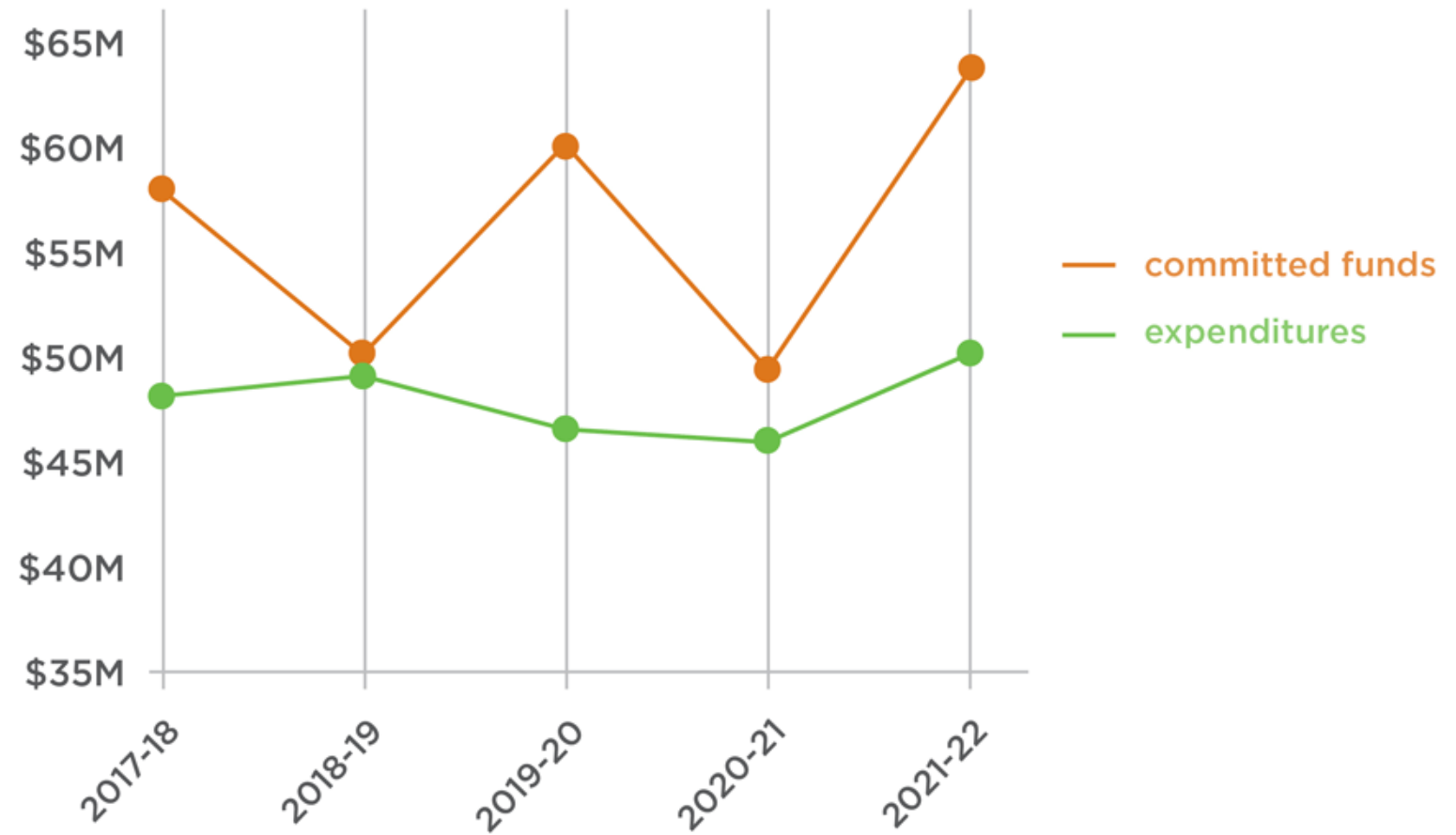
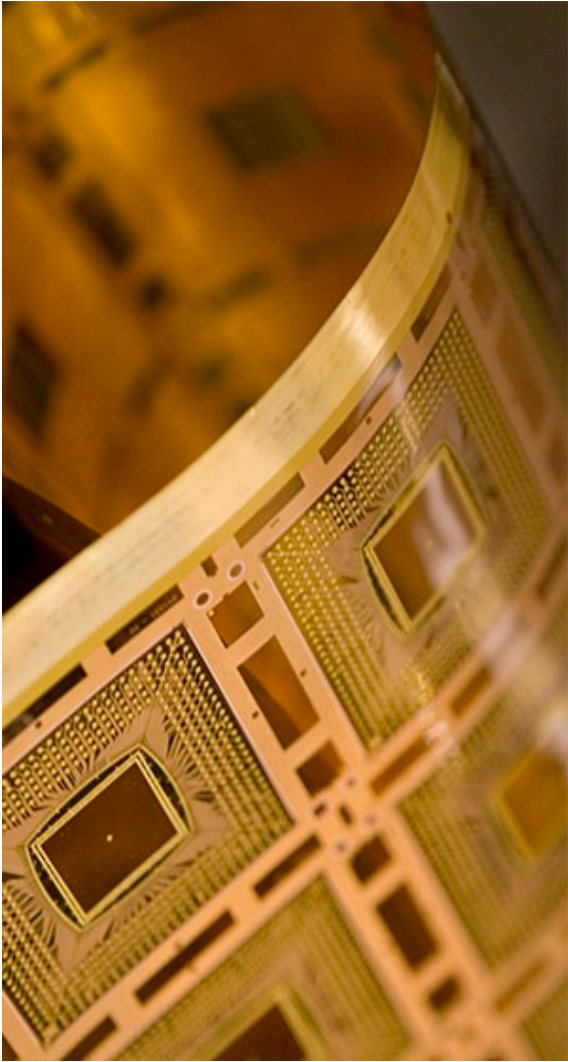


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Laats

Research funding





BINGHAMTON RETAINS R1 STATUS

Binghamton remained among the elite schools labeled “R1 — very high research activity” in a list released by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

- **The new R1 list includes 146 schools, 11 of which are in New York.** The classifications are updated every three years.



CELEBRATING SUPPORT FOR CAMPUS EXCELLENCE

- Ellyn Uram Kaschak '65 awarded University Medal for pioneering scholarly work and support for University
- Founder of feminist psychology, focusing on gender equality and justice
- Author and editor of more than a dozen books, including *Engendered Lives*, which received the Distinguished Publication Award from Women in Psychology
- Established the Kaschak Institute for Social Justice for Women and Girls in 2018
- In three years, the institute has funded 30 fellows in fields ranging from theater and anthropology to human rights, political science and business administration

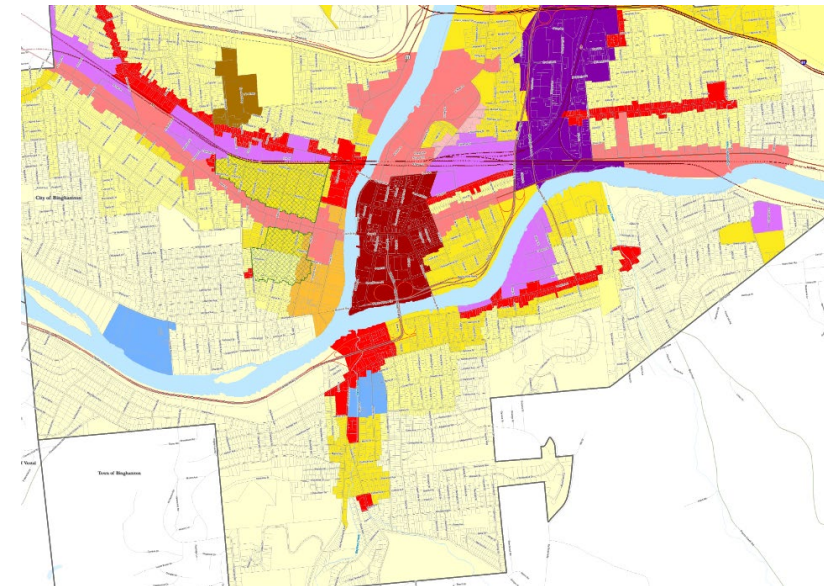


PROGRESS ON DECKER COLLEGE'S NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- A 100% online RN-BS program that helps registered nurses earn a bachelor of science in nursing degree.
- SLP: Speech and hearing minor is now open to students in any major; 110 students enrolled and SLP master's is under review by NYS Education Department
- DPT: opens Motion Analysis Research Lab (MARL); first cohort of students June 2023
- OTD: Initial enrollment fall 2023 will be first program in SUNY/CUNY

CHANGES TO STUDENT HOUSING AND STUDENT LIFE

- Expanding student staffing by ~300 in response to increasing demands on RAs
- New model involved input from across campus, including Financial Aid; Department of Student Affairs Administration; the CARE Team; Fleishman Center for Career and Professional Development; the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; and others
- Off campus:
 - City of Binghamton is considering changes to current zoning laws that may affect off-campus housing, with some increases near current student housing, while reducing “congregate living” in other zones





FINALIST

**\$1 Billion
Build Back Better
Regional Challenge**

EDA
U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES: THE BUILD BACK BETTER REGIONAL CHALLENGE

- Binghamton University and the New Energy New York (NENY) coalition win U.S. Economic Development Administration's Build Back Better challenge.
- Coalition will receive \$63.7 million in federal assistance with a supporting grant of \$50 million from New York state.
- Project spearheaded by Binghamton University Distinguished Professor of Chemistry and Materials Science and 2019 Nobel Prize-winner in Chemistry M. Stanley Whittingham and Binghamton University Associate Vice President for Innovation and Economic Development Per Stromhaug.
- Initiative will make region the nation's premier hub for lithium-ion battery research development and production
- Primary facility will be located at the Huron Campus in Endicott; Binghamton University will lease space in Endicott

UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION



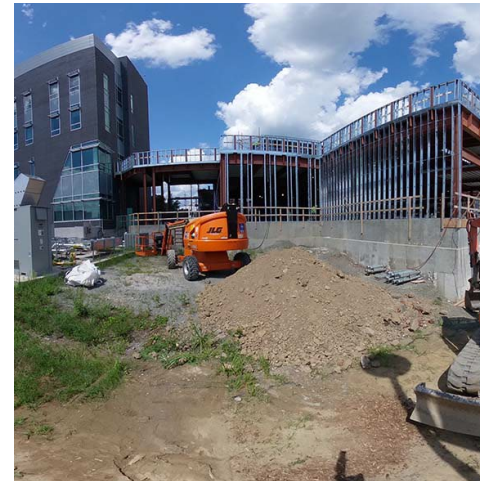
East Gym Expansion

- Increasing physical health opportunities for students
- One-year design phase
- Completion date late 2024



Roger and Charlene Kramer Welcome Center

- Completion date fall 2023
- First impression to campus



HSC Research and Development

- Research lab space for SOPPS and industrial partners
- Expected completion summer 2023



Science 2 Tower/Science 4

- West half of Science 2 and Science 4 Tower renovations completed
- New Labs and classrooms
- Improved energy efficiency

UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION



Bartle Library third floor

- Expanding student study space
- New flooring, ceilings, lighting, electrical, plumbing and mechanical upgrades
- Upgraded energy systems
- Expected completion 2024



Old Rafuse Hall

- Modernizing renovations for student living
- Electrical, plumbing, mechanical upgrades, sidewalks and parking lot
- Expected completion Aug. 2023



Fine Arts Master Plan

- Multi-year project with major renovations and investments
- Facilities Assessment Report underway
- Focus on creating space that allows for greater collaboration
- Electrical, plumbing and mechanical upgrades



Field House (Baseball Complex phase II)

- Multi-sport practice field house
- Project goes to bid this month
- Two-year construction schedule

CONNECTING WITH ALUMNI AND FAMILIES

- Family Weekend Sept.31-Oct.2
 - More than 5,000 parents and family members on campus
 - Talk by Julie Lythcott-Haims, author of *How to Raise an Adult*
 - Activities included music and theater performances, lectures and panel discussions, sporting events and museum offerings
- Homecoming
 - Events include traditional tailgate, men's soccer game, downtown block party, fireworks, campus tours, and Golden reunion for all classes 1949-72





EXCELERATE — MOVING AT THE SPEED OF BINGHAMTON

- June 30, 2022, marked end of fifth year of seven-year campaign
- Trajectory is good:
 - As of Aug. 1, EXCELERATE has raised ~\$158 million (72% of goal)
 - Year five gifts totaled \$18.5 million,
 - Key gifts include
 - Faculty positions in the School of Management
 - New Welcome Center
 - Digital and Data Studies minor

A photograph of the Binghamton University campus at sunset. The sky is a vibrant mix of orange, red, and purple. In the foreground, the silhouettes of trees are visible on the left and right. The central focus is a tall, dark building with a distinctive clock tower on the left side. The clock tower has a metal frame structure with a clock face. To the right of the clock tower is a taller, more modern building with many windows, some of which are lit up. The overall scene is a beautiful representation of the university's architecture during the 'golden hour' of sunset.

Thank You!

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