

University Strategic Plan

COMMUNICATIONS BRIEF

'A LEGACY EXPANDED'

The University of Notre Dame's strategic plan, "A Legacy Expanded", builds on the University's five goals, which provide focus, transparency and accountability for Notre Dame's activities for the next 10 years.

"A Legacy Expanded" is rooted in the University's five goals outlined by Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., in his inaugural year as president.

The plan is the result of internal and external assessments, meetings and planning sessions with academic and administrative leaders, faculty, the Board of Trustees and other University representatives.

Only through careful stewardship of these goals can the University achieve its vision to become a preeminent research University with a distinctive Catholic mission and an unsurpassed undergraduate education.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENTS

Within the five goals, the strategic plan identifies key areas for emphasis that will help the University prioritize its efforts in the coming years.

The strategic plan seeks to enhance the value of the five University goals by examining them from two perspectives: areas where they are supported with well-established strategies, and areas where we believe there is room to grow - **enhancement areas**.

There are 11 enhancements in total. The strategic plan outlines the University's rationale for selecting these enhancement areas and provides an initial indication of how to achieve progress in each area.

- ▶ For more information about the University Strategic Plan, visit strategicplan.nd.edu. In addition, the site provides an overview of the strategic plans crafted by Notre Dame colleges, schools, institutes, and centers. While these plans are distinct from "A Legacy Expanded," they, too, have taken shape in light of the broader goals of the University.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME GOALS

GOAL I

Ensure that our Catholic character informs all our endeavors

GOAL II

Offer an unsurpassed undergraduate education that nurtures the formation of mind, body, and spirit

GOAL III

Advance human understanding through scholarship, research, and post-baccalaureate programs that seek to heal, unify, and enlighten

GOAL IV

Foster the University's mission through superb stewardship of its human, physical, and financial resources

GOAL V

Engage in external collaborations that extend and deepen Notre Dame's impact

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER JOHN:

"The power of the strategic plan is not purely in enunciating University goals. Its force comes from the record number of faculty, deans, trustees, and benefactors who have merged their personal goals with the mission of Notre Dame—and the alumni, students, parents, and friends who will keep us on course, call for results, and press us on to achieve our goals. Notre Dame is not for any of us just a job, or a duty, or a charity, or even only a university. Notre Dame is a calling, and each of us has been called.

"In partnership with all those whose aspirations can be advanced by the success of this University, we will mobilize the Notre Dame family in support of our noble purpose: to join a spiritual tradition of faith with an uncompromising search for truth to fulfill human promise."

Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C.
President