College of Arts and Science
State of the College Address
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Overview

- Undergraduate Programs
- Graduate Programs
- Faculty Matters
- Finances and Development
Section 1: Undergraduate Programs
A&S Class of 2012

- 12,946 applications (compare to 9,683 for Class of 2011)
- 22.6% of those who applied were admitted (compare to 28.5% for Class of 2011)
- Yield of those admitted: 32.7% (compare to 36.6% for Class of 2011)
- Average SAT: 1411 (compare to 1389 for Class of 2011)
- 85.2% in top 10% of graduating class
- Average rank in graduating class = 5.9%
Investments in Undergraduates

- Need-based grants: $45.2M
- Scholarships: $16.7M
- Athletic scholarships: $4.5M

Total from VU sources: $66.4M
Section 2:

Graduate Education
Graduate Education in 2007-2008

- 17 Ph.D. programs in the natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities.
- Six Master’s programs.
- Continuing-education Master’s program: Master of Liberal Arts and Science (MLAS).
- Graduate Aid Budget: $23,250,763.
- A&S programs conferred 77 Ph.D’s and 104 Master’s degrees.
Graduate Admissions for 2007-2008

- Total applications = 3960 (5% increase)
- Total admits = 637 (7% increase)
- Admit rate = 16%
- Total accepts = 298
- Yield = 47%
Increased Diversity in Graduate Recruitment

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Graduate Funding

- 2008 was the sixth year of the Summer Research Awards Program, providing 25 awards of $4500 each.

- 2008-2009 is the fifth year of the Arts and Science Humanities Fellows Program, a merit-based competition for dissertation-year support for students in the humanities and qualitative social sciences.

- 2008-2009 is the second year of the Arts and Science Social Science Fellows Program, a merit-based competition for dissertation-year support for students in the social sciences.
New Developments in Graduate Education

- New Graduate Certificate Program in African-American and Diaspora Studies
- Award from Max Kade Foundation to fund a “super cohort” in the Department of German
- Second Task Force on Graduate Education convened
- EGE Grants Implemented
  - Two Grant- and Fellowship-Writing Workshops for Graduate Students
    * First attracted more than 200 participants on September 20
    * Second will occur in February
  - Social Science Dissertation Fellowships
  - “Prof 101” Workshop for Graduate Students who plan to compete for academic positions
Master of Liberal Arts and Science Program (MLAS)

- Enrollments across fall, spring, and summer 2008: 191. Courses from all areas of Arts and Science as well as Blair, Divinity, and the Medical School.

* Compare against enrollments of 90 for the same period in 2005.
Section 3:
The Faculty
# Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty Recruitment

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Census of tenured and tenure-track faculty, 2001-2008
New Faculty Diversity

- Of the 26 faculty recruited during the 2007-2008 academic year:
  - 10 are women
    - 2 tenured associate professors of 6 hired
    - 9 assistant professors of 16 hired
  - 2 are ethnic minorities
  - 6 are foreign nationals
Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment

- Our record of success with the Promotion and Tenure Review Committee (PTRC) and the Provost over the past five years is impressive (67 of 69 cases approved).

- Our junior faculty consistently meet and exceed standards of excellence in research and teaching. This record reflects well on our departments and programs, especially in their ability to recruit and mentor outstanding junior faculty.
Promotion and Tenure Data

Note: 4th year reviews are for AY 99-00 to 04-05. Tenure and promotion to full are for AY 02-03 to 07-08.
Faculty Development

- Program in Career Development: mentoring and professional support for tenure-track faculty. Professor Vanessa Beasley, Director.

- Two workshops for tenure-track faculty in 2007-2008: How To Prepare the Tenure File. Co-sponsored by A&S Dean’s Office and Program in Career Development.

- Arts and Science dinner to celebrate newly-tenured and newly-promoted faculty.

- Issues of continuing interest: mentoring for tenured faculty, especially at the associate level, and support for trailing academic partners.
A Selection from the Long List of Faculty Achievements

- ACLS Fellowships awarded to Michael Bess and James Bloom.
- Guggenheim Fellowships awarded to Michael Bess and Barbara Hahn.
- Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Research Fellowship Award to Julia Velkovska.
- NAS Troland Research Award to Isabel Gauthier.
- Brooke Ackerly’s *Universal Human Rights in a World of Difference* published by Cambridge University Press.
- Numerous awards for books and articles. Those honored include William Caferro, Leor Halevi, Sarah Igo, David Lewis, Tracy Miller and Catherine Molineux.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE A&S DEAN’S OFFICE OF ALL HONORS AND AWARDS!
Section 4: Finances And Development
Arts and Science Sources of Operating Funds, FY2008

- Tuition & Fees: 82%
- Exchange Instruction: 7%
- Gifts & Grants: 2%
- Ind Cost Rcv: 6%
- Endow Distrib: 3%
Arts and Science Operating Expenses, FY2008

- Financial Aid: 35%
- Salaries & Benefits: 31%
- Library IDS Tax: 6%
- Facility Costs & Equip: 6%
- Supplies & Services: 4%
- Other: 4%
- IDS Tax: 14%
In FY 2008, annualized awards increased by 4.8% in Arts and Science, and 3.0% overall in University Central.

Annualized awards in Arts and Science in FY 2008: $41,779,351 (compare to $39,847,216 in FY 2007).
SHAPE THE FUTURE

A CAMPAIGN FOR

VANDERBILT
Shape the Future
Campaign Extension
to 12/31/2010

$1.75 Billion

Arts and Science achieved its goal of
$125M by 6/30/08.

OUR NEW GOAL:
$160M by 6/30/11.
Arts and Science Unrestricted Giving by Fiscal Year

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Development Staffing

- Jonathan Petty, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations in the College of Arts and Science
- Total of dedicated development staff in June 2005: 5.
- Total of dedicated development staff in October 2008: 10.
The Year Ahead

- Search for the Dean of the College of Arts and Science is underway.
- Significant faculty recruitment effort is underway.
- Space for faculty offices and laboratories is a continuing concern.
- Completion of renovations of the Cohen Building, to house the Departments of Classics and History of Art.
- Strategic planning for future growth in the following areas: applied behavioral sciences, energy and the environment, Asian studies, Islamic studies.