

2019-2020 President's Annual Report & Excellence Awards



Dear Friends of UHV,

The 2019-2020 year was one like no other for both the University of Houston-Victoria and the communities that we serve as we worked from home, taught or took online classes, switched to virtual events, wore masks and socially distanced.

Despite the radical changes, there were many bright spots throughout the year as we opened a new building and continued construction on others, offered new degrees, partnered with the community on projects and helped students succeed despite the challenges they faced.

I hope you will enjoy this online annual report that allows us to make information about the year available to a wide audience. We also have featured videos and highlights from the Nov. 10 President's Annual Report & Excellence Awards program, our first time hosting it as a virtual event.

Here are just a few of UHV's highlights from 2019-2020:

- A \$2.25 million, five-year Title III grant from the U.S. Department of Education is helping the university
 promote undergraduate student success with faculty training and new programs, including a summer
 bridge program for incoming freshmen, financial literacy instruction, increased tutoring and supplemental
 instruction, internship assistance and additional advising.
- UHV celebrated a construction milestone with a "topping out" ceremony for University South, our new science, technology, engineering and mathematics building that also received an architectural design award in the American Institute of Architects Corpus Christi Chapter's 2019 Design Awards Program.
- We opened **Don & Mona Smith Hall**, a 272-bed residence hall, and a popular new **Chick-fil-A** and **Jaguar Java** coffee bar in the University Commons student center.
- Representatives from UHV, UH, the UH System and the Katy community participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Katy Academic Building, where both UHV and UH offer transfer and graduate programs to Greater Houston students looking for quality, affordable education close to where they live and work.
- Graduate student **Alvaro De la Cruz** was sworn in as only the second student in UHV's history to serve as the student regent on the UH System Board of Regents.
- Readers of Living Magazine voted UHV the Best College or University in Katy and Fulshear for the second year in a row.
- For the fourth consecutive year, a record number of UHV faculty and staff made financial contributions to the university. In all, **69 percent of full-time employees** made a gift.
- The M.G. & Lillie A. Johnson Foundation gave two grants to the university totaling \$800,000 for scholarships for students pursing health-related degrees and equipment for the new University South visualization theater that will feature a lab with an immersive, 210-degree screen.

- We had the honor of having U.S. Sen. John Cornyn deliver the keynote address at our fall commencement ceremony in Katy.
- A \$100,000 disaster preparation grant from the Rebuild Texas Fund allowed the university to purchase a
 backup generator to help supply emergency power for communication needs and the university's food
 service operation in Jaguar Hall.
- The UH System Board of Regents gave approval for UHV to move forward with plans to build our first student recreation and health center, and the M.G. & Lillie A. Johnson Foundation recently committed to providing \$2 million for the project. The gift, the largest in the university's history, will help fund construction along with a student fee that UHV students voted in December 2018 to approve.
- UHV released a study estimating that the university will add \$490.8 million in income to the region's economy in 2028-2029, an increase of 53 percent compared with 2018-2019 when the university's total economic impact was \$320.5 million.
- Numerous national organizations ranked UHV for our quality and affordable degree programs, and Educate to Career ranked the university in its top tier of Texas universities for our COVID-19 response that benefited and protected students.

Because of the way UHV and our area communities continued to work together during the challenges that we experienced this year, our theme for the annual report is **Roaring as One**.

As you look through this website, be sure to view the short videos featuring students, faculty, alumni and community members talking about how UHV has made a difference in their lives. You also will see photos from the year and videos of our special recognition award recipients.

As I look at the changes at UHV this past year, I am thankful for the support we have from Victoria and the region. Without our students, faculty and staff, our generous donors and our supportive community, these accomplishments would not have been possible. Remember, by **Roaring as One**, we can all make this region a better place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

Robert K. Glenn

President, University of Houston-Victoria

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Roaring Toward Innovation

Academics

Each year, UHV's three schools create academic programs and make improvements to better meet the needs of the university's students and the community.

Here are just some of the academic highlights from UHV's three schools that took place in 2019-2020:

School of Arts & Sciences

- The school announced that it would begin offering new degrees and concentrations to better meet the
 needs of students. The programs included the Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, Bachelor of Science in
 Digital Gaming & Simulation and a dual-concentration degree plan for both the counseling psychology
 and forensic psychology graduate programs. Students could choose between the professional counselor
 and psychological associate degree concentrations in the programs, leading to two Texas licensure
 options: the Licensed Professional Counselor or the Licensed Psychological Associate.
- The Master of Fine Arts in creative writing program continued to be recognized nationally for its quality and affordability. It was ranked the second-best online MFA in creative writing by Intelligent.com based on the program's student engagement and potential return on investment, in addition to leading third-party evaluations. Guide to Online Schools and OnlineU ranked it seventh nationally on their Best Online MFA Programs list and eighth on their Most Affordable Online MFA Programs list. The two rankings were based on tuition rates and mid-career salaries of graduates.
- A free, two-day Online Data Science Boot Camp was offered for the first time to incoming high school seniors. The goal of the camp was to help students achieve a better understanding of data science and machine learning, identify data science tools and technology, and examine careers in data science.
- A partnership with Formosa Plastics Corp. allowed the university to teach a statistics course to 15 of the company's engineers to help them better process data on the job.

School of Business Administration

- AACSB International The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business reaccredited the school after a rigorous review process. AACSB accredits less than 5 percent of business schools worldwide and first accredited the UHV School of Business Administration in 2005.
- The school began offering a Master of Accountancy degree after requests from students who wanted a focused degree that would help prepare them for the CPA exam and pursue accounting careers. The school also offers a Strategic Master of Business Administration with a concentration in accounting.
- More than 100 business students experiencing economic hardships related to the COVID-19 pandemic received \$300 grants after the school's senior faculty donated at least 5 percent of their May paychecks to start a Student Assistance Fund and other faculty, staff and students also contributed to the fund.
- A Dean's Advisory Board made up of Victoria area businesspeople, some of whom are UHV alumni, was
 relaunched as a way to increase opportunities for the school and its students to become more connected
 with the community.

School of Education, Health Professions & Human Development

- A \$165,000 grant awarded by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas to the University of Houston
 Foundation funded the expansion of a community-based program that focuses on ways to reduce chronic
 kidney disease in at-risk populations. The new grant allowed 50 more people to take part in the Victoria
 County program and the program to expand to 50 participants in Calhoun County. This was the second
 grant awarded to the program, which is led by a UHV faculty member.
- More than 140 students working to become teachers and other educators achieved a 100 percent passing rate in 10 of 13 subject areas on the Texas Education Agency's Texas Educator Certification Examination. Students must take the exam to be certified to teach in Texas schools.
- The school began offering a Master of Science in Sport Management for students interested in becoming sports agents, fitness directors or general managers, or other careers in the business or organization side of sports.
- The Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies degree for students who want to become teachers
 was renamed the Bachelor of Science in Education after the state of Texas voted to allow educator
 preparation programs to use the new degree name as a way to better reflect what the degree actually is –
 a degree in education.



Roaring in Unity

Community Partnerships

Each year, community members and businesses give to and partner with UHV to create opportunities that benefit everyone.

In 2019-2020, UHV was fortunate that 1,230 unique donors contributed to 109 scholarship funds, academic programs, construction and building projects, and other initiatives, and raised nearly \$1.5 million. Gifts ranged from \$1 to \$800,000. For the fourth consecutive year, a record number of UHV faculty and staff made financial contributions to the university with 69 percent of full-time employees making a gift. UHV's endowment, which includes 98 individual endowed funds, generated almost \$500,000 during the fiscal year in support of scholarships, professorships and a variety of other programs and efforts at the university.

Here are some examples of community partnerships that took place in 2019-2020:

- The American Electric Power Foundation awarded a \$50,000 grant to UHV to cover tuition for 25 students a year enrolled in the university's Summer Bridge Scholars program in 2020 and 2021.
- The UHV Center for Regional Collaboration was launched to help facilitate partnerships throughout the region in order to promote job growth, economic prosperity and greater stability.
- UHV partnered with South Texas Blood & Tissue Center and GenCure to host the Lone Star Circle of Life Bike Tour. The purpose of the weeklong bike tour in Texas was to spread awareness about the need for blood, tissue, organ, bone marrow and stem cell donations.
- UHV offered the 2019-2020 Robotics, Programming and Simulation Course, a free after-school robotics class for area high school students that was funded through a grant from Alcoa Foundation.
- UHV hosted Hispanic Heritage Week events that included a Baile Conmingo dance class, Mexican Independence Day celebration, Lotería "Mexican Bingo," Crossroads Café performance by Mariachi Tapatio, and a showing of the movie "Cesar Chavez" in downtown Victoria. At the end of the week, UHV hosted the 33rd annual Martín de León Symposium on the Humanities, which explored the topic "Mariachi: History and Music."
- The Victoria Advocate donated part of its archives to the Victoria Regional History Center based at UHV.
 The donation included photographs and negatives from 1985 to 1999, as well as bound issues of the newspaper up to 2005.
- The university gave \$2,000 to the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent through the annual Food Fight fundraiser. UHV students donated the value of meals from their UHV dining plans to the cause, and the meals then were converted into dollars for the donation.
- Goliad High School hosted its first UHV Day. University recruiters and faculty members provided
 information sessions about dual-credit courses and opportunities for students who choose to pursue a
 degree at UHV. Goliad students who committed to attending UHV were invited to a mixer to meet faculty
 and staff from the university. UHV also hosted alumni activities during the school's varsity boys' and girls'
 basketball games that evening.

- UHV opened a Pearson VUE testing center that offers the Texas Educator Certification Examination Program, including the tests required for new and current educators.
- UHV hosted Black History Month events, including a Poetry Slam featuring award-winning poet Ebony Stewart and performances of original poems by UHV students, a performance of the UHV Jag Steppers at the Victoria Black History Month Celebration, and a Black History Month Poster Contest for area fifth-graders. The top three winners of the poster contest were awarded UHV scholarships and vouchers to Victoria College summer camps. The theme for the contest was "African Americans and the Vote." The winners were honored at a poster contest reception, and about 70 participants' posters were displayed in the UHV University Center throughout February. The annual contest is a partnership between UHV, VC and the Victoria Black History Committee Inc.
- The UHV Small Business Development Center hosted its third annual webcast of the Leadercast Women worldwide leadership conference. The theme for the conference was "Take Courage."
- The Five Points Museum of Contemporary Art began hosting the new American Book Review Porch Readings as part of the UHV/ABR Reading Series. The porch readings featured authors from the reading series and took place on the porch of artist Travis Whitfield's installation, the "Shotgun House," inside the museum.
- The UHV history program hosted its inaugural History Day event, featuring Columbia professor and author Karl Jacoby, who gave a lecture titled "The Strange Career of William Ellis: The Slave from Victoria Who Became a Mexican Millionaire."
- UHV brought Ed McMahon of the Urban Land Institute to Victoria for two days to discuss how to
 implement effective growth in area communities. During a Victoria Chamber of Commerce Luncheon,
 McMahon gave a presentation titled "Place-Making & Economic Development." His public presentation,
 "The Secrets of Successful Communities," was delivered at the Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing
 Arts and was cosponsored by Victoria College.
- UHV business students helped Faith Academy and the Victoria Ballet Theatre develop social media and
 marketing strategies as part of their marketing courses. Students in the university's "E-marketing" elective
 course worked in groups to create social media strategy proposals for Faith Academy. Another group of
 students in the undergraduate "Marketing Research" class conducted both qualitative and quantitative
 studies for the Victoria Ballet Theatre to help provide insight into what current and prospective patrons
 think of performances, fundraising events and outreach.
- The Dickson-Allen Foundation donated \$25,000 to UHV for scholarships of up to \$2,500 for students from Lavaca, Wharton and Gonzales counties.
- A Victoria Generals collegiate baseball game was sponsored by UHV. In addition to free admission to the game, fans received UHV swag, took part in contests between innings and had photos taken with jaX, UHV's jaguar mascot.
- The UHV School of Business Administration hosted its 10th annual Alumni Week on Microsoft Teams and Zoom. During the event, the school's alumni from different areas of the business world were invited to speak to students.
- Texas State Technical College entered into a transfer agreement with UHV to allow TSTC students with an Associate of Applied Arts & Sciences to seamlessly transfer to the university and earn a Bachelor of Applied Arts & Sciences.

- The Victoria Regional History Center, which is based at UHV, began collecting submissions from area residents for a project called "Stay Home, Stay Safe Stories." The stories will serve as a historical record of the area during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Geico and UHV created the Employee Partnership Program to help Geico associates finish a bachelor's degree while working for the company. Geico employees have access to deferred tuition, tuition reimbursement and scholarships.
- Caterpillar Victoria donated \$10,000 toward UHV's pandemic relief and recovery efforts. The funds were earmarked for general use during the pandemic and covered needs that included emergency grants and other continuing education initiatives.



UHV offers plenty of activities, programs and learning experiences outside of the classroom so that students have fun and thrive during their college experience. These activities take place both on campus, off campus and virtually.

In 2019-2020, more than 65 students learned leadership skills at the sixth annual ROAR Leadership Conference. Several students also earned certifications in the ROAR Certified Leader program, which encourages students to think critically about their leadership skills and how those skills could impact their future careers.

Students gave back by participating in several local service projects during National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. These included volunteering in Victoria at Christ's Kitchen, with the Victoria Long Term Recovery Group and at the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent. Students also took part in a beach cleanup by picking up trash on Mustang Island near Port Aransas.

Here are some more Student Affairs highlights from the year.

- Career Services assisted more than 450 students with job searches and career coaching through
 individual sessions. The office also hosted 23 career-related programs and job fairs, including the new
 Career Readiness Days and Coffee and Career Chats, and presented more than 20 in-class workshops on
 topics related to resume writing, career planning and personal branding.
- JP's Market, a free food pantry and career closet open to UHV and Victoria College students, had another successful year thanks to support from the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent. The initiative served 487 students and provided 14,591 pounds of food. In response to COVID-19, JP's Market increased the days it was open while implementing social distancing protocols and creating an online ordering system.
- UHV hosted its fifth annual Family Weekend. Collaborating with university departments, student
 organizations and the City of Victoria, more than 450 students, their families, and university faculty and
 staff enjoyed two days of activities that included a campus open house, welcome reception, performance
 by Crescent Circus, the President's Picnic and Bootfest in downtown Victoria.
- The Jaguar Activities Board hosted a virtual talent show after cancellation of the university's fifth annual Homecoming Week because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2020 Homecoming theme "Peace, Love and Jaguars" is expected to be used in 2021.
- UHV had its highest number of teams ever participate in intramural sports during the fall semester.
 Although the annual Cross Campus Challenge: Battle for the Cup with Victoria College had to be canceled, it hopefully will continue in the future.
- The Student Government Association worked with university administration to create custom UHV regalia for students to wear at commencement. The regalia was unveiled at the December 2019 commencement ceremony.

- Student Life provided more than 130 in-person activities for students, including more than 15
 multicultural events, and hosted 20 virtual events and social media challenges after the university closed
 because of COVID-19. This included the first virtual Wonderful Women of UHV event during Women's
 History Month to honor women who work at the university.
- The Counseling Center continued to see an increase in student appointments from the prior academic year and hosted more than 60 programs related to substance abuse, and mental, physical and sexual health.
- The Counseling Center purchased a new software system called TAO, or Therapy Assistance Online, to provide students with a self-help tool for mental health. TAO is an online library of interactive programs to help people learn life skills and bounce back from disappointments and stumbling blocks.
- The seventh annual Student Organization and Leadership awards were announced virtually for the first time. UHV continues to see new student organizations form with more than 10 new interest groups registering during the academic year.
- Disability Services continued to see a rise in students receiving academic accommodations and support services. More than 160 students registered with the office, ensuring they received equal access to participate in and benefit from academic programs and activities.
- Shuttle Services provided transportation to more than 25,000 individual riders during the academic year.
 Additionally, the office accommodated more than 50 special services trips outside of normal operations and acquired three new shuttles all of which were accessible.
- Testing Services served 860 unique visitors during the academic year in both Victoria and Katy. Services include coordinating exams with departments at UHV, education companies and government agencies.



UHV's student-athletes and Athletics staff worked hard to represent the university well both on and off the field even after the spring sports season ground to a halt because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The men's soccer team advanced to its second National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics national championship opening round after capturing both the Red River Athletic Conference regular season and tournament titles. The men's golf team broke into the NAIA top 25 with a No. 21 ranking before its season was cut short.

Ashley Walyuchow, who has served as UHV's athletic director since the inception of the program in 2006, was named the 2019-2020 RRAC Athletic Director of the Year, an award decided through a vote of all RRAC athletic directors. In addition, men's soccer head coach Adrian Rigby and coaches Lauren Leslie, George Kee and Alex Baez were recognized as the United Soccer Coaches 2019 Men's West Region Staff of the Year for the NAIA.

Off the field, a record number of the university's student-athletes were recognized for their excellence in the classroom with 78 named RRAC Scholar Athletes.

Here are some more of the year's highlights for the Jaguars:

- Thirty-one student-athletes were named to the Fall 2019 UHV President's and Deans' lists, while 38 were recognized on the spring lists.
- Brody Patience was recognized on the NAIA Men's Soccer All-America honorable mention soccer team.
- The men's soccer team broke into the NAIA Top 25 rankings for the first time in the program's history when the team received a No. 22 ranking.
- Men's soccer started the season off with a university-record 10-game winning streak before going on to record its best season ever with a 16-1-3 mark.
- Brody Patience was selected to the 2019 College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-America NAIA Men's Soccer first team as a forward. Patience and teammate Uriel Garcia also were selected to the 2020 CoSIDA Academic All-District 4 NAIA men's soccer team.
- Four soccer players Brody Patience, Connagh Wilks, Elizabeth Reyes and Elizabeth McDonald received recognition on the United Soccer Coaches NAIA all-region teams.
- Eight members of the UHV men's soccer team were recognized on the RRAC all-conference team. Oliver Nugent was named the RRAC Newcomer of the Year. Brody Patience, Brandon Watts, Connagh Wilks, Gian Marco Cordoba and Nugent all were named to the first team, with Uriel Garcia and Gifano Lubaki named to the second team and Sydney Tume given an honorable mention. Head coach Adrian Rigby was named Conference Coach of the Year.

- The women's soccer team earned distinction as United Soccer Coaches Team Academic Award winners for the 2019-2020 academic year. The team compiled a 3.13 GPA overall, and it was the third time during the last five years for the team to be recognized with the award.
- Four members of the women's soccer team received RRAC all-conference honors. Elizabeth McDonald was named to the first team, while Amanda Bautista and Elizabeth Reyes were named to the second team and Nisa Ollivierre received an honorable mention.
- Softball head coach Lindsey Ortiz notched her 200th career coaching victory with a 5-3 win over Louisiana State University of Alexandria.
- Baseball coach Terry Puhl was left one win short of his 300th career coaching win at UHV after the season was canceled.
- Soccer defender Uriel Garcia was named both the RRAC Betty Etier Male Character Award winner and the Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar first runner-up.



Each year, UHV honors an outstanding student who has demonstrated leadership on campus and in the community, and partners who have worked to expand higher education in the region.

Numerous local, state and national organizations also recognize UHV students, alumni, faculty and staff for their achievements.

Here are some awards and highlights from 2019-2020:

UHV Special Recognition Awards

Cesar Gonzalez – Student Leadership Award Lane and Phyllis Keller – Community Partnership Award Robin Cadle – People Who Make A Difference Award

Student & Alumni Achievements

Maria Santibanez won the second annual UHV President's Holiday Card Contest for her drawing of a jaguar wearing a Santa hat and was the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship.

Ben Galvan (1994) and **Tina Herrington** (1990, 1993, 2001) were named to the UHV President's Regional Advisory Board.

Biology students **Katie Timmins**, **Tyler Muschalek**, **Jessica Fischer**, **Melissa Dean**, **Elvis Egwu** and **Elijah Osasenaga** presented research at the Capital of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference in Austin.

Olufunmilayo Oguntoyinbo received a grant to attend the Network and Distributed System Security Symposium, an international conference in San Diego focused on cybersecurity.

Uche Ehiemua (2019) was accepted into the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine.

Jennifer Fucik, **Patrick Zapien** and **Dyllan Witte Pratt** were each awarded one-year memberships into the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Robert Schiener (2019) became the first graduate of UHV's Specialist in School Psychology degree program to receive a Nationally Certified School Psychologist credential from the National Association of School Psychologists.

Barbara Alaniz and **Breezalynn Becker** each received the Mathematic Pre-Service Teacher Scholarship from the Texas Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Terry Harryman was hired as a clinical laboratory extraction technician at Sparrow Health Care, a biotechnology lab in Houston serving as a COVID-19 testing site.

JoAnn Benavente got a position as a clerk intern during a summer internship at a New York City federal district court.

Adrian Chavana Jr. was accepted into the Disney College Program at Disney World in Orlando.

Liza Lybolt (2015, 2017) and **Zhen Yan** (2020) were accepted into doctoral programs. Lybolt got into the Doctor of Philosophy in International Business Administration with a concentration in management program at Texas A&M International University in Laredo. Yan was accepted into the doctorate in strategic management program at Texas Tech University.

Danielle Charles was accepted into the prestigious University of Iowa Writers' Workshop program to study for a Master of Fine Arts.

Diane Kliem (1992), a Victoria attorney and president of Kliem & Associates, was named the American Business Woman, the top spot in the 2020 Top 10 Business Women of the American Business Women's Association.

Alma Gutierrez was named the Student Volunteer of the Year during a video announcement of the annual UHV Student Organization and Leadership awards. The Walkie Talkie Journalist group, led by Sydney Fitch, was named the UHV Student Organization of the Year. Claudialicia Walker, Alexis Arceneaux, Savannah Malone-Eades and Sarah Stanaland were recognized with the Spirit of the Jaguar Award. Noemi Bustamante was honored with an "I Am UHV" \$1,000 scholarship, and Preetha Philip received an "I Am UHV" \$500 scholarship.

Svetlana LaFleur, **Alex Mouton** and **Shelly Pesak** were in a team that ranked four times in the weekly top 100 of the eight-week Global Business Simulation competition involving college and university business students competing in a simulation of the global economy.

Noemi Bustamante, **Terry Harryman**, **Katie Timmins** and **Crystal Salinas** (2019) attended the Fall 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Texas at Austin. Bustamante, Harryman and Timmins each presented biology research at the symposium, and Salinas served as a session judge.

David and **Tammy Murphy** (1994 and 1995 respectively), owners and operators of Victoria's Chickfil-A restaurants, and **Chad Hall** (2004), general manager of Regional Steel Products Inc., were keynote speakers in the UHV Alumni Networking Luncheon series.

Natika Johnson and **Claudia Calero** presented research at the Texas Counseling Association's Professional Growth Conference.

Jessica Helms (2008), a nurse practitioner at DeTar Medical Group in Victoria, was named the COVID-19 response coordinator for the UHV COVID-19 Operations Center.

Faculty & Staff Achievements

Hongyu Guo's book, "Modern Mathematics and Applications in Computer Graphics and Vision," was ranked fourth on the Book Authority's 22 Best Computer Graphics Mathematics Books of All Time list and 25th on its 73 Best Computer Vision Books of All Time list. The lists were featured on major media networks and publications, including CNN, Forbes and Inc.

Joseph Ben-Ur was honored with the title professor emeritus after a 23-year career in the UHV School of Business Administration.

Jill Fox was named a member of the Arts Education Task Force of the Texas Cultural Trust, a nonprofit organization with a mission of being the leading voice for the arts in education, advocacy and economic impact in Texas, spotlighting the artistic excellence of the state.

Jeffrey Di Leo wrote the book "Vinyl Theory" about the intersection of vinyl records, philosophy and critical theory.

Ken Colwell's book, "Starting a Business QuickStart Guide: The Simplified Beginner's Guide to Launching a Successful Small Business, Turning Your Vision Into Reality and Achieving Your Entrepreneurial Dream," was ranked at the top of several Amazon Best Seller lists, including No. 1 on the Distribution & Warehouse Management list, No. 2 on the Business Fashion & Image list and No. 3 on the Outsourcing list.

Janelle Bouknight, Summer Pannell, Katherine Bacon and Ana Laura Pineda were honored for their outstanding work in the UHV School of Education, Health Professions & Human Development.

Leonard Buckner was named the UHV 2019 Employee of the Year.

Paul Carlson was recognized for 45 years of service in the UHV School of Education, Health Professions & Human Development.

The UHV chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, led by chapter president **Dmitri Sobolev**, achieved 2019-2020 Circle of Excellence Gold status for its work promoting excellence at UHV.

Abran Rodriguez, **Katherine Bacon** and **Sneha Nayar** hosted a free, public livestream session on Facebook about strategies to cope with anxiety and stress during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mark Ward Sr. was awarded Article of the Year from the Religious Communication Association for his article, "A New Kind of Church: The Religious Media Conglomerate as a 'Denomination." He also received the Article of the Year award in spiritual communication from the National Communication Association's Spiritual Communication Division for his article, "Head Knowledge Isn't Enough': Bible Visualization and Congregational Culture in the Evangelical Church." In addition, he was selected winner of the 2020 Digital Religion Research Award from the Network for New Media, Religion and Digital Culture Studies for his research and article, "Digital Religion and Media Economics: Concentration and Convergence in the Electronic Church."

Chien-Ping Chen received the UHV Teaching Excellence Award.

Massomeh Hajilee was given the UHV Research and Scholarly Activity Excellence Award.

Jeffrey Blodgett was the recipient of the UHV Distinguished Faculty Service Award.

Laura Mammina published her book "American Discord: The Republic and Its People in the Civil Era."

Woodrow Wagner spoke at a meeting of the Victoria Professional Express Network, the local chapter of the American Business Women's Association.

Management professors **Chun-Shen Yu** and **June Lu** each have been cited in more than 5,000 journal articles, according to Google Scholar.

Olga Chapa was the lead researcher in a project focused on how to reduce the amount of stress experienced in the workplace.



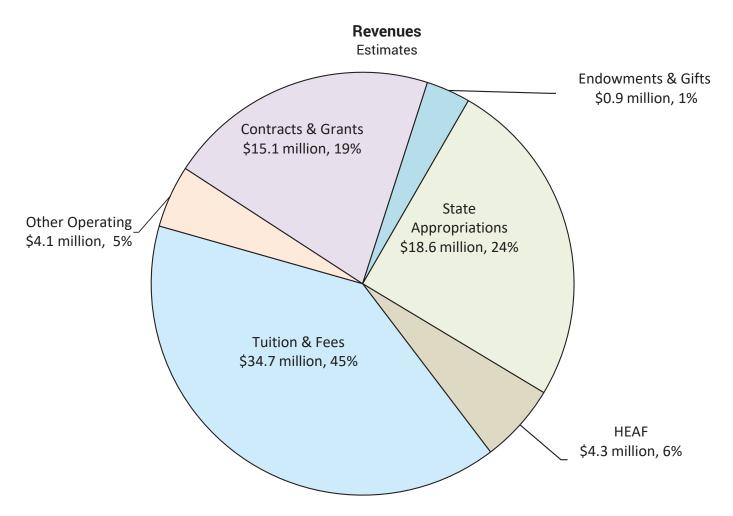
Roaring as We Calculate

The Numbers

UHV's operating revenue in Fiscal Year 2020 was estimated at \$77.7 million, and UHV spent 80 percent, or \$62.4 million, of that total on providing student access and success. Financial assistance awarded to students totaled \$44.8 million, a 27.8 percent increase from Fiscal Year 2016. UHV's preliminary enrollment in fall 2020 was 4,991, a 10.9 percent increase from the previous fall's final enrollment of 4,501. Since its beginning in 1973, UHV has conferred 22,748 degrees with 1,736 students earning more than one degree from the university. Below are some key financial and enrollment figures for UHV:

OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

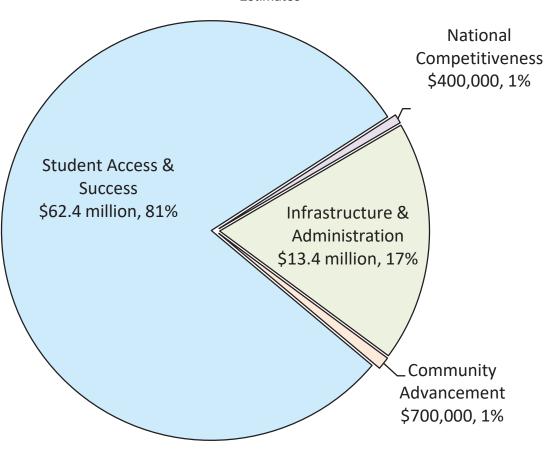
Fiscal Year 2020



Total: \$77.7 Million

Expenditures

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Total: \$76.9 Million

Financial Assistance

Type of Assistance	FY 2016	FY 2020
Scholarships	\$ 1,768,273	\$ 3,519,890
Grants	\$ 9,663,615	\$ 13,657,080
Loans	\$ 20,434,421	\$ 22,232,970
Short-Term Loans	\$ 3,050,926	\$ 5,157,051
Work Study	\$ 167,279	\$ 282,491
Total Financial Aid	\$ 35,084,514	\$ 44,849,482

UHV Student Enrollment

(fall 2020 preliminary)

Total	4 991
Graduate	1,378
Undergraduate	3,613



Roaring as We Grow

Donor Appreciation

With the help of UHV donors, the university is growing in the communities it serves. UHV appreciates all the donors who continue to support the university.

UHV's 2019-2020 fiscal year was the last year of the Here, We Go fundraising campaign, and a large number of donors helped achieve and then surpass the campaign's \$12 million goal.

Below is a list of UHV's donors in 2019-2020:

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