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The university is also a member of the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States. Some programs are accredited by specialty accrediting bodies.
Introduction

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To our Readers:

A major priority during the past year was developing a new vision and a strategic plan for George Mason University. Thousands of people within Mason and in our larger community contributed to this effort, and there has been widespread support for the results of this undertaking. While our new vision outlines our values and commitments for the future, the strategic plan—grounded in that vision—offers a roadmap: university-wide goals, a framework for how to achieve those goals, and metrics to assess our progress. Mason is already delivering on these goals in a number of areas and receiving accolades for our innovative approaches.

What makes the successes of our faculty and staff so impressive is that through university-wide collaboration we graduate a record number of students ready to take on the world, produce cutting-edge research that is changing lives, welcome millions of visitors, serve as an invaluable resource to the region, and generate hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue for Virginia each year.

This year’s Factbook, produced by George Mason University’s Office of Institutional Research and Reporting (IRR), offers a snapshot of our progress and success. This document provides a comprehensive view of Mason’s complexity and the steady and consistent growth that have been among its hallmarks. I encourage you to use this document to learn more about the university: its budget, enrollment, faculty and staff, and facilities. This comprehensive publication represents Mason well and is an outstanding resource. I congratulate the members of the IRR team for showcasing reasons why our institution truly is so dynamic.

Sincerely,

Ángel Cabrera
President, George Mason University
Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The George Mason University Factbook 2013-2014 is a valuable publication filled with facts and figures documenting George Mason University’s growth and continuing excellence. The data and information presented in the Factbook includes the most current available for 2013-2014, as well as trends and historical information.

Most of the information contained in the Factbook is extracted from the Banner Enterprise system and from various University offices. We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to our colleagues in the Information Technology Unit, the Library, the Registrar’s Office, the Office of Financial Aid, Sponsored Programs, Human Resources, Budget and Planning, Institutional Assessment, University Relations, Enrollment Management, and the Provost’s offices for their contributions to the 2013-2014 Factbook. We also appreciate the cooperation from academic units in data accuracy checking. Most importantly, we would like to thank all the staff in the Office of Institutional Research and Reporting for their outstanding work in the compilation of this Factbook.

Your feedback and comments are welcome so that we can incorporate them to improve the quality of the publication even further next year.

Thank you.

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