Greetings from the College of Business at Governors State University!

As we start another new academic year, I'm excited to share with you the many accomplishments College of Business (COB) faculty, staff, students, and alumni achieved in the previous year, featured in our 2017-2018 COB annual report (link).

COB continues to achieve academic excellence and student success, two of the most important strategic goals set forth in our Vision 2020 strategic plan. In Spring 2018, our highly innovative Online MBA program was ranked #18 in Online MBA", and BestColleges.com's "2018 20 Best Online MBA in Supply Chain Management (#14). This year, we will introduce a new program: Master of Science in Human Resource Management, tentatively planned to start enrolling new students in spring 2019. This new degree will provide another vehicle for prospective students to earn a high-value professional degree, in addition to our highly regarded MS in Accounting, and MS in MIS programs.

At COB, we truly believe the value of practical and hands-on learning as an integral part of student success. Our students not only learn from the highly talented and dedicated <u>professors</u> in the classroom, they are also encouraged to seek out internship and other experiential learning opportunities we offer. Through our growing partnerships with business and industry in the region, we've been able to provide more internships to our students, while helping area businesses meet their demand for talents in accounting, finance, management, marketing, and supply chain management. A new <u>COB Career and Internship page</u> was recently added to our website. This webpage includes some useful information about internship opportunities, sample resume and cover letters, as well as a few success stories featuring COB students with recent internship experiences.

Whether you are a current student, alumni, employer, or just a friend of the college, I invite you to visit our <u>website</u> to learn the many exciting things that are happening in our College and the University. I am confident that you will find that College of Business at Governors State University is a great place to fulfill your educational and professional development needs.

Sincerely,

Jun Zhao, DBA Dean, College of Business