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Dear FIU family,

FIU is on the rise!

It is with great Panther pride that I share with you some great news – **our FIU has climbed 17 spots to No. 78 among public universities in the nation, according to the U.S. News and World Report 2022 National University Rankings released today.**

Our ascent represents the largest jump among Florida universities and third in the nation among public universities. In addition, we placed among the top five public universities for social mobility and held on to the No. 2 spot for international business. Other significant rankings include No. 17 most innovative among public U.S. institutions and No. 75 best college for veterans.

Talk about some **REAL TRIUMPHS**!







Our climb in the rankings is yet another measure of our impact as a university, and a testament to the commitment of every Panther. Here at FIU, we are student-centered. We are focused on using research and innovation to make a difference in the lives of our learners and uplift our community. And our efforts are paying off.

Central to our rankings success is FIU's increase in six-year graduation rates, especially among Pell Grant recipients. We were also recognized for improvements in class size and student-faculty ratio, and for putting in place evidence-based, innovative programs under the Office of Student Access and Success.

We are on the rise indeed, Panthers. With this milestone, we're getting closer to ranking among the Top 50 public universities in U.S. News. And it is all because of you, our students, faculty, staff, alumni and supporters. Your hard work, resilience and commitment to success are unwavering, and are instrumental in helping us write the next chapter of FIU's history.

Congratulations, Panthers!

FIU named one of the best colleges to work for in the nation

Today, we're also celebrating another accolade for our FIU. Our university was once again named one of the best colleges in the nation to work for, by The Great Colleges to Work® for Program.

In addition, we have been given honor roll designation, making us one of only six four-year large public institutions in the nation with recognition in all 10 categories. This recognition, for the sixth consecutive year, is only possible because you – our dedicated and hardworking Panther family – make it happen. You show up every day to do important work to help our students and our community succeed. Thank you for making our FIU such a great place to work! Your efforts and passion make a real difference.

The jump in the U.S. News rankings and the Great Colleges recognition come on the heels of a banner year for FIU that includes: Placing first among public universities in the state in the Board of Governor's performance metrics; receiving a $40 million donation from philanthropist and author MacKenzie Scott and her husband Dan Jewett that recognizes FIU's access and excellence initiatives; ranking third in the nation among universities under 50 years old; and being elected into APSIA, an elite network of schools of international and public affairs.

Join the celebration on FIU's Instagram, LinkedIn, Facebook and Twitter accounts!



The Top has never been closer. Together we are getting this done!



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