



Chancellor's Message



THE SUMMER MAY BE UPON US, BUT IT'S NOT EXACTLY QUIET here at SU. Fresh classes of graduates are emerging from the intensive, 13-month master's programs at Maxwell and Newhouse, ready to make and report the news of the world. New summer programs are in full swing around the world through SU Abroad. Our Center of Excellence in Environmental and Energy Systems is awarding new grants to collaborative groups of faculty and industry partners to solve pressing global environmental issues, such as protecting drinking water supplies and creating cleaner and healthier buildings in which we live and work. And, speaking of collaboration, spanning disciplines, and connecting students and faculty and communities of experts to real-world challenges—all key hallmarks of Scholarship in Action—just a few weeks ago we announced a landmark initiative that will bring these principles to an exciting new level.

Syracuse University faculty and students from across our schools and colleges are joining with industry experts in an extraordinary partnership with JPMorgan Chase. This powerhouse, \$1.4-trillion global financial services firm, with operations in more than 50 countries, is coming right here to Syracuse, investing \$30 million over 10 years to partner with us in creating a cutting-edge interdisciplinary curriculum that will encompass all aspects of the infrastructure of the global financial services industry. And there is more! They are putting a further stake in the ground by constructing a major JPMorgan Chase corporate technology center on campus that will adhere to the highest Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards and create hundreds of new technology jobs, further enlivening the Central New York landscape.

The technology center will be a hub of innovation where our faculty and students will pool their expertise with JPMorgan Chase technology partners to take on the challenges facing this fast-paced global industry. Some examples of the collaborative research and technology design that these teams will tackle include: state-of-the-art voice recognition technologies; real-time financial market pricing technologies; new ways to better protect and secure information and data; and new "green" technology models, such as energy-efficient data centers and indoor built environments that promote health and productivity.

The JPMC partnership is as extensive as they come. Beyond the new curriculum and research collaborations, the technology center, and new jobs, other key elements will include K-12 outreach to the talented, diverse future generation of technologists in our region, workforce programs with internships and externships for SU students and students across the region, and a network of prominent CIOs who will come to campus to share best practices, spot trends, and guide us all to the future. This is as exciting as it gets—Scholarship in Action at its best.

Future issues of the magazine will update you on this innovative venture, but the present issue has more than enough to satisfy your craving for news of the SU community as we report on a breathtaking array of examples of students, faculty and staff members, and alums who are making a difference in the world. Enjoy this summer helping of innovation that inspires!

Cordially,

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