Educational Goals of UMR

As Missouri’s technological university, the University of Missouri-Rolla’s mission is to educate tomorrow’s leaders. In a world growing increasingly dependent on science and technology, tomorrow’s graduates must be prepared to be leaders in more than just their chosen professions. They must also be leaders in business, in government, in education, and in all aspects of society. UMR is dedicated to providing leadership opportunities for its students. The opportunity to receive an excellent technological education is only part of the educational experience received by students at UMR. UMR offers a full range of engineering and science degrees, coupled with business and liberal arts degrees and programs that are vital to the kind of comprehensive education that turns bright young men and women into leaders.

UMR is nationally recognized for its excellent undergraduate engineering programs, and is distinguished for producing cutting-edge research and key technologies vital to the economic success of Missouri and the nation. UMR has a distinguished faculty dedicated wholeheartedly to the teaching, research, and creative activities necessary for scholarly learning experiences and advancements to the frontiers of knowledge. UMR has excellent physical facilities, which support the best possible education in the liberal arts, engineering, science, applied science, and selected interrelated fields.

UMR’s programs in science, engineering, and business, its technology transfer programs, its leadership opportunities, and its learning environment are all integral parts of the total educational package available to students who attend the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Mission Statement

The University of Missouri-Rolla, UMR, has a major responsibility for meeting Missouri’s needs for engineering education. UMR offers residential programs with an emphasis on leadership development that include a full range of engineering and science degrees and complementary liberal arts degrees and programs.

UMR conducts research to advance knowledge, to provide essential support for graduate education, and to enhance undergraduate education. There is special emphasis on research in materials, manufacturing, infrastructure, geotechnical, and environmental engineering and science.

UMR assists in the economic development of the state and nation with the transfer of the technology developed through its research programs.

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Vision

The University of Missouri-Rolla continuously strives to provide a superior education for its students. To accomplish this, the university must continue to encourage and reward excellence and creativity in teaching and continue to strengthen an environment conducive to learning. It must also encourage and reward faculty members for their effort to increase sponsored research in order to offer both more and greater opportunities for graduate students and wider prospects for solving society’s problems. As these goals are achieved, UMR’s reputation for the quality of its undergraduate and graduate education will continue to grow. The overall results of making good programs even better will be increased enrollments and research funding. The cumulative effect of achieving these goals will be the enhanced recognition of UMR, by both professional bodies and public entities (i.e., U.S. News and World Report), as one of the nation’s top 50 undergraduate and engineering Ph.D. granting institutions.

UMR is widely recognized as a leading institution of higher education in the State of Missouri and is dedicated to enhancing its role as a nationally prominent technological university. It is:

- A university that is a primary source of leaders in their disciplines who are able to:
  - Identify and solve technical and societal problems;
  - Create, synthesize, and communicate knowledge;
  - Work effectively as team members in diverse environments; and
  - Adapt to change through life-long learning.

- A university whose faculty and staff are committed to excellence in teaching and learning and to student success.

- A university whose faculty, staff and students conduct nationally competitive research to meet societal needs.

- A university that anticipates change and is recognized as a premier source of readily available knowledge, creativity and education and whose faculty, staff and students serve the needs of the society of which it is a part.

- A university committed to providing an environment that fosters the development of all members of the university community to their full potential.
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