Welcome Back!

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On My Radar This Year…

- **Elevate Impact**: Keep our strong momentum going on the Strategic Plan
- **Ready for Foisie**: Ensure amazing programming from Day 1
- **Research**: Capitalize on and expand big wins, support our researchers
- **Future campus planning**: Space, programs, people to continue to accelerate our achievements and impact
- **The next Campaign**: Getting ready to launch as early as this year
- **Diversity & Inclusion**: Continue to engage campus as we expand efforts
- **Talent**: Ensure we retain & develop our talent and attract excellent, diverse pools for open positions
- **Tech**: Ensure CIO search & Enterprise Transformation (Banner upgrade, etc.) on track
- **National environment**: Changing Federal regulations, Higher Ed attitudes
- **Manage risks**: Ensure our policies & procedures reflect best practices to handle the inevitable challenges that arise
- **Campus engagement**: Keep you engaged & informed in time of rapid change
Distinctive Undergraduate Education

• **43 co-op experiences** in 2016-17, tracking ahead of last year!
  • 3-fold increase in **4 year BS/MS** over 2016

• **Global for All** (840 students last year; 954 expected this year)
  • **New project centers:** Costa Rica; Israel; Japan; China; Glacier National Park, **expanding** in Ecuador, Namibia, Moscow, and Zurich
  • **$8.6 million** raised for Global Scholarships & Project Center support

• **WPI an official NAE Grand Challenge Scholars** university
  • **E-portfolios** being piloted this fall with 500 students/faculty/staff; full deployment in Spring 2018
Research and Graduate Education

• Successfully piloted **3 personalized on-line courses** for 51 students
• Developing **Autonomous vehicles (RBE)** modules for launch Jan 2018

• **300 graduate students** in STARS professional development sessions
• **$1.6 million** raised in support of graduate fellowships and programs

• **9.3% increase** in research funding from FY16 to FY17
• **3 CAREER awards**: Scarlet Shell (BBT), Craig Shue (CS), Ivon Arroyo (SSPS)
Reputation and Visibility

• **2017 summer institute** served 26 teams/150 faculty/29 institutions
  • Engaged **12 clients** including first international consultation (in Peru)
  • The **American Talent Initiative** to fund faculty research on PBL at WPI

• Launched **Center for Global Public Safety** with Tsinghua University
  • **Global alumni events/activity** in Panama, Beijing and Zurich

• Building is **on schedule & on budget**
  • **Staffing & launch plans** underway: MakerSpace, I & E Hub, Global Impact Division, Building Manager, etc.
  • **>$20 million** raised in support of FIS building to date
Introducing the Global Impact Division**

Goal: Maximize WPI’s positive global impact by developing an organizational structure that integrates, synergizes and amplifies our academic global activities

** Final name TBD