

# Goals & Initiatives

- 1** Promote interdisciplinary research involving multiple colleges/units so that we become competitive nationally for extramural funding to support Program Projects/Centers of Innovation.
  - ASPIRE-II, ASPIRE-III
  - CTSA, NSF-RII
  - SRNL
  - Research & Grant Development Office
  - COBRE, Center for Disability Research

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- 2** Identify niche opportunity areas for growth and develop them using an interdisciplinary approach
  - Internal Research Advisory Board (IRAB)
  - Research Retreat
  - Advisory Board for targeted areas

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- 3** Develop and promote novel integrated undergraduate and graduate programs and promote undergraduate and graduate research
  - Undergraduate Research Journal
  - Undergraduate Seminar Series
  - Collaborations with Morris College
  - Undergraduate research abroad
  - Featured graduate student research in Breakthrough
  - SPARC Graduate Research Fellowship
  - NSF REU support

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- 4** Promote diversity in research.
  - Collaborations with Morris College and Benedict

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- 5** Develop an effective mentoring plan for junior and research faculty as well as post-doctoral fellows for career advancement
  - Research Mentoring Institute
  - Nominating junior faculty for NIH review panels
  - USC-wide guidelines for mentoring

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- 6** Develop a faculty incentive plan to reward excellence in research and scholarly activity
  - Featured Researcher/Scholar of the month
  - Salary Supplement

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- 7** Promote faculty entrepreneurship especially providing them support to secure SBIR/STTR grants
  - Technology Commercialization
  - Involve the Business School
  - Workshops

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- 8** Promote media relations and development activities aimed at recognizing and supporting faculty research
  - Legislative initiatives
  - Presidential initiatives
  - Capital campaign

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- 9** Promote global research initiatives that blend with our current strengths
  - Database of international collaborations
  - MOUs with foreign universities
  - USAID

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- 10** Promote infrastructure development involving novel and futuristic technologies
  - ASPIRE-III
  - Legislative initiatives
  - High Performance Computing
  - Animal Resource Facility

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