

# The Coming Year

## Chancellor's Priorities

Faculty Senate Retreat  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**TENNESSEE**  
KNOXVILLE



# Priorities for 2021-2022

## Strategic Vision

- Volunteer Experience
- Modular curriculum & calendar innovation
- Research & Innovation Investments

## High Quality Processes

- BAM; CRM; Business process review; capacity analysis
- Innovative & agile
- Leadership development
- UTIA resources and support

## Presence & Visibility

- 'It Takes a Vol' brand rollout
- Enhanced UTK visibility in the state
- Innovative partnerships with UT Extension
- Vol is a Verb





**Strategic Vision:**  
*It Takes A Volunteer*

**Five Goals**  
**Objectives**  
**Priority Activities**  
**Transformational**  
**Metrics**  
**Operational Metrics**



# Goal 1: Provide high quality educational opportunities for people at every stage of life, whenever and wherever they seek to learn.

- Collaborative, inquiry-based, experiential opportunities
- Opportunities that are responsive to needs of learners
- Meet 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce needs
- Accessible to communities across Tennessee and beyond
- 5-year Transformational Metrics
- 5-year Operational Metrics

*The Volunteer Experience*



## Goal 2: Create a more just, prosperous, and sustainable future through world-class research, scholarship and creative work.

- Strengthen impact, reputation of research, scholarship, creative activities
- Ensure research outcomes we generate lead to the creation of more just prosperous sustainable future
- Invest in state-of-the art research infrastructure
- 5-year Transformational Metrics
- 5-year Operational Metrics

*Research that makes life & lives in Tennessee better*

# Goal 3: Develop and sustain a nurturing university culture where diversity and community are enduring sources of strength

- Implement structures/practices that attract and retain a diverse community of faculty, staff, students
- Challenge students to examine understanding of the world & their capacity to acts of members of an inclusive community
- Nurture change that supports inclusive behaviors and culture of respectful dialogue
- 5-year Transformational Metrics
- 5-year Operational Metrics

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Goal 4: Empower and sustain a culture of collaboration, stability, and innovation

campus-wide culture of innovation  
collaboration at all levels  
adapt current structures and systems  
foster identity and collaboration  
be supporting innovation  
develop incentives for innovative and

• 5-year Transformational Metrics  
• 5-year Operational Metrics

**Nimble & innovative**

# Goal 4: Empower and sustain a culture of collaboration, adaptability, and innovation

- Campus-wide culture of innovation and collaboration at all levels
- Adapt current structures and systems to foster identity and collaboration while supporting innovation
- Develop incentives for innovative and transformational work that breaks or blurs the lines of silos
- 5-year Transformational Metrics
- 5-year Operational Metrics

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# Goal 5: Connect with every Tennessean and with communities around the world, inspiring future Volunteers to join our diverse community

- Deepen and extend the university's ability to connect with Tennesseans
- Establish, build upon and streamline processes to identify community needs and activate university resources to meet those needs
- 5-year Transformational Metrics
- 5-year Operational Metrics

*Modern research land grant university*