President Julio Frenk has launched a series of Roadmap Initiatives created to reshape and reinvent UM. The College of Arts and Sciences is proud to be at the center of all these initiatives and will continue to play an essential role in the path toward excellence and creativity. This is what we strive for as a strong institution.

The College’s mission is to invest in the next generation of entrepreneurs and scientists; teachers and doctors; artists and scholars. In today’s information-saturated world, the role of the University is to educate students how to evaluate all accessible information critically and acquire the advanced knowledge they need to be well-prepared leaders in the global society.

At the College, we propel our students toward academic achievement and experiential learning through research and discovery, both in and out of the classroom. From field study in the Caribbean region to uncovering the effects of climate change on tropical rainforests, our students learn, grow, and seek mentoring and authentic research opportunities alongside outstanding faculty who are committed to transforming lives through teaching, research, and service.

In an effort to boost University-wide technology and scientific innovation, through a generous gift from UM philanthropists Dr. Phillip and Patricia Frost, the University will break new ground and welcome the Frost Institutes for Science and Engineering—research hubs fostering innovation in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. These new Institutes will add value and prestige to the collaborative and interdisciplinary research currently being done by the College’s tireless and talented faculty and students, establishing UM as a global leader in groundbreaking science and technology.

This Spring, we welcomed our first Distinguished Presidential Fellow, Susan Meiselas, a world-renowned photographer, who shared her knowledge and expertise with students and collaborated with faculty across multiple disciplines. All were eager to learn about her work as a documentary photographer.

As this semester comes to a close, I look forward to the start of the next academic year. I am confident that we will continue to work together to achieve our goals and perform at the highest caliber in the realms of the natural and social sciences, the arts, and the humanities. I encourage you to visit our website at as.miami.edu to learn more about the College.

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