

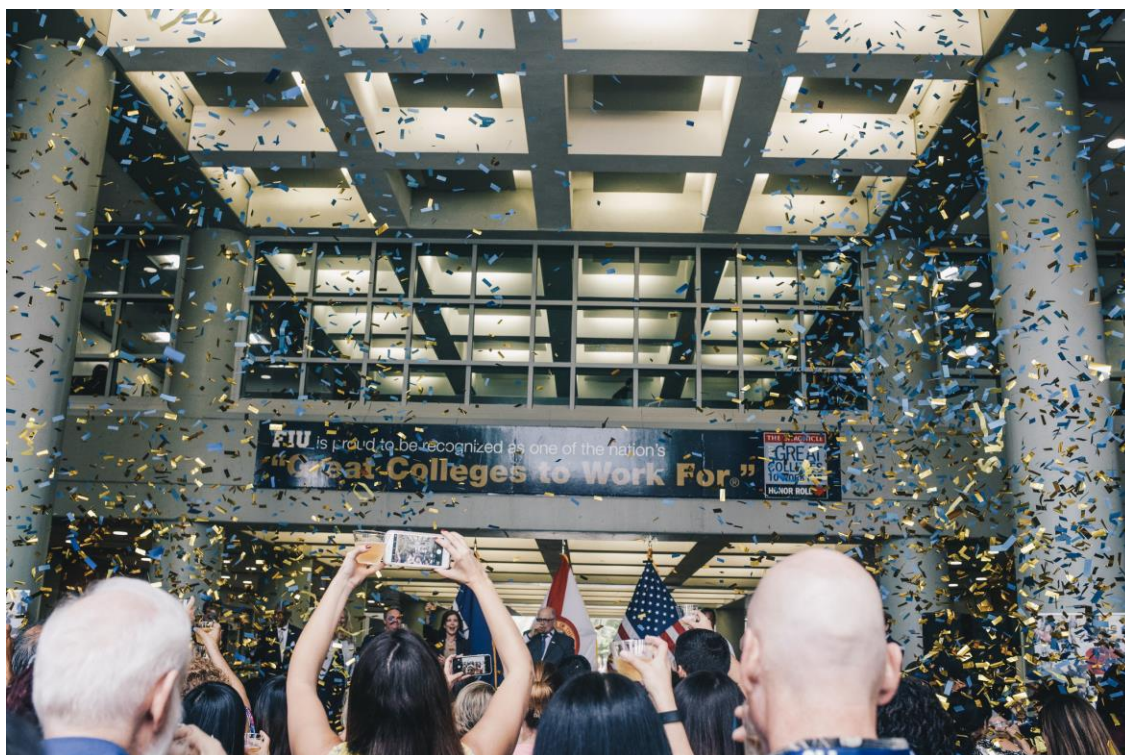
MEMORANDUM

August 20, 2017

Dear FIU family,

Welcome to Fall 2017!

Here we are again at the start of another semester! Fall has an unmistakable air of fresh focus and endless possibility! It's also a time of reflection. A time to plan ahead, to envision what's to come and plan on how we can continue to strive for a good life filled with impact and purpose.



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Over the past few months, I've been reflecting on the rapidly-changing world of work – and of higher education. New and emerging technologies, like artificial intelligence, big data, 3-D printing and the Internet of Things promise to affect the future. This means we must work hard to ensure our students are prepared for the jobs of today – and tomorrow. We have to stay ahead of change!

Learning – as we know it today – is changing. A student's journey to a job no longer ends in a degree. It's a continuous road made up of different degrees, certificates or competencies.

Learning will be lifelong. As influential sociologist and futurist Alvin Toffler once said:

“The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn.”

To learn and relearn... This is a concept that we must all embrace! And trust me we will be better for it!

Throughout this letter you will find the many ways our FIU is committed to putting our students first - by creating an environment where they can discover a love for learning, gain the skills they are going to need to succeed and then make our community and world a better place.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark B. Rosenberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President