



# UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-FLINT

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Higher Education Appropriations  
Subcommittee

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## UM-Flint Representatives

Raymond Hall, Chief of Police  
Christopher Giordano, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

### Discussion Points

Brief Overview of UM-Flint  
UM-Flint, A Regional Comprehensive University  
Strategic Transformation  
Supporting Student Success through Holistic Well-being  
Campus Safety @ UM-Flint

# Overview of UM-Flint

Founded in 1956 as Flint Senior College

Officially changed to University of Michigan-Flint in 1971

One of three campuses of the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, Dearborn)

Governed by UM-Board of Regents



Independent Institution

6000 students in 6 schools/colleges

Diverse student population

Urban setting

## UM-Flint: A Regional Comprehensive University

*"The workhorses of higher education"*

Anchor institution in downtown Flint

Serving greater Flint, Genesee County and 6 adjacent counties  
(Tuscola, Lapeer, Oakland, Livingston, Shiawassee, and Saginaw)

3<sup>rd</sup> lowest tuition among the 15 MI public universities

Draw 97% of our students from the State of MI  
- Remain in MI after graduation -

Steady decline in high school graduates



Challenging times for Michigan regionals

## UM-Flint: Strategic Transformation

*In response to these challenges, saw an opportunity...*

In 2019, Chancellor Dutta reframed the mission of UM-Flint  
to meet the urgency of our time

Institution-wide Strategic Transformation process



Expanding selected programs  
Creating new in-demand programs  
Develop initiatives to support students  
Respond to workforce needs  
Strengthen community partnerships

Emerge as an undisputed  
engine for economic growth and social mobility in the region

## UM-Flint: Student Wellness

Senior Director of Student Health and Wellness



Prioritizing health and wellness as a foundation for student success  
and lifelong well-being

### Goal

Embed well-being – in all its dimensions – into all aspects of  
campus culture and student life through:

Culturally-responsive care  
Mental health and counseling  
Health promotion and advocacy  
Peer health, education, and outreach services  
Wellness programming and activities  
Sense of belonging and culture of care

*Support UM-Flint students within an inclusive campus environment  
where all can learn, grow and thrive*

## UM-Flint: Student Wellness and Campus Safety

Campus safety plays an integral role in student wellness, especially in the areas of physical, emotional, environmental, and social aspects of wellness

### Department of Public Safety @ UM-Flint

Provides a safe and caring educational environment through:

- Emergency preparedness and response, including emergency alerts, safety training, and transportation support
- Active role on the Campus Assessment, Response and Evaluation (CARE) Team
- Prevention and response to sexual misconduct, domestic violence and substance abuse
- Assistance in reinforcing policies and procedures in support of campus safety
- Reducing barriers for students to seek help and assistance
- High campus visibility and relationship building among faculty, staff and students

*DPS role in creating an environment that promotes campus safety and a sense of belonging contributes to our students' overall wellness*

## UM-Flint: Department of Public Safety

### Brief Overview:

- Accredited (and re-accredited) by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Accreditation
- Staffing consists of law enforcement officers, security officers, dispatchers, electronic security experts and support staff
- Provides police and public safety services to the campus and neighboring downtown Flint community, which includes:
  - Traditional Law Enforcement Services
    - investigating traffic accidents, resolving disputes, investigating stolen vehicles, etc.
  - Non-Traditional Services
    - Vehicle lockout services, battery jumps, community support, etc.



## UM-Flint: Department of Public Safety

Our comprehensive public safety strategy consists of 4 pillars:

Technology

Partnerships

High Visibility Proactive Patrols

Community Engagement



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May we answer any  
questions?

Thank You from UM-Flint!