

The fall semester of 2019 has ended and we are about to enter a new decade as we begin the New Year, 2020. This end of the year communique **From the Dean's Desk** looks ahead to what's to come. No resolutions, just exciting developments for UCF Rosen College

In 2020, UCF Rosen College will host new conferences and workshops. These opportunities for engagement with industry partners will open new avenues for the hospitality industry. In May 2020, [Tourism 2030](#), a workshop co-hosted with the City of Orlando, will focus on sustainability and being resilient when it comes to tourism. We will look at climate change and technological advancements, in addition to research that will pave the way forward to the next decade. We will also co-host with the Culinary Medicine Specialists Board the seventh annual [Health Meets Food: The Culinary Medicine Conference 2020](#). This conference is dedicated to teaching medical professionals and the communities they serve about the important connection between good health and healthy eating. UCF Rosen College and UCF College of Medicine have been partners in the culinary medicine arena for the past two years. The two colleges teach fourth-year medical students how to incorporate healthy eating into the prescribed care for future patients. The saying is "you are what you eat" and with a culinary medicine diet, hopefully, you have more fruits, vegetables, healthy grains, lean proteins, and more importantly, a healthy and happy life!



Beginning in fall 2020, the [Senior Living Management B.S. Degree](#) will offer its full curriculum. This interdisciplinary program combines the art and science of hospitality management with aging studies and health care management. The curriculum covers all aspects of managing senior living facilities including lodging operations, marketing, communications, accounting and financial management, legal aspects, food and beverage operations, facilities management, events and entertainment management.

Also in 2020, the college will break ground on a building expansion that will bring us more classroom and office space by the fall of 2021. A few renderings of the new building are included. We are excited about what's to come in 2020!



Happy Holidays & Happy New Year! Charge On!

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