

# GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

## **MASON HAS COME A LONG WAY IN A**

**SHORT TIME:** In the past half-century, Mason has grown from a small satellite campus of the University of Virginia into the largest—and one of the most influential—public research universities in the state, located in the dynamic Washington, D.C., region.

## **MASON RESEARCH EARNS NATIONAL**

**RECOGNITION:** In 2016, Mason was named a Tier-1 research university, the highest designation from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Joining this elite group of the nation's top 115 research universities is a signal to public and private industry that, more than ever, Mason is ripe for funding and partnerships.

**MASON VALUES DIVERSITY:** Our 36,000 students come from 130 countries and 50 states. Being one of the most diverse universities in the U.S. instills a global focus and enhances learning by leading to a more open exchange of ideas and perspectives.

**MASON IS ACCESSIBLE:** Mason is one of the few U.S. universities to have no disparity in graduation outcomes for students regardless of race, ethnicity or socioeconomic status.

## **MASON PROVIDES VALUE TO STUDENTS:**

Our graduates lead all public universities in Virginia with the highest starting salaries, and 80 percent of Mason degree earners are employed within six months of graduation. These outcomes are among the reasons why *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* and *Forbes* rank Mason as a top 100 best value.

## **MASON CONDUCTS RESEARCH OF**

**CONSEQUENCE:** The driving forces behind our research are to solve problems to make a significant difference in the world and to serve as an engine of innovation for the region and state. Some of our most notable research includes working with our clinical partners to advance personalized medicine; developing algorithms to secure cyberspace; researching strategies that can disrupt transnational crime and terrorism; exploring new approaches to diplomacy and foreign policy; using social science research to enhance public understanding of climate change; and studying digital technology trends among African American teens and their parents. Our faculty members have received some of academia's highest honors, including twice winning the Nobel Prize in Economics.

## **MASON IS A PARTNER IN THE COMMUNITY:**

Mason and Northern Virginia have emerged together, working closely to build one of the most economically viable regions in the country. Our 100,000-plus alumni in the region work at the most influential private companies and public agencies. An estimated half of the school administrators and one-third of the teachers in Northern Virginia hold a Mason degree. Companies like Booz Allen Hamilton, MITRE, Northrop Grumman, Inova Health System and Deloitte employ thousands of Mason graduates.

