

The Strategic Plan Implementation Teams will be issuing periodic ***We Rise*** **TO NEW HEIGHTS** Strategic Plan updates throughout the year. With this, we will provide updates on our 5 Bold Goals.

- Unsurpassed Student Experience
- **Contemporary and Distinctive Academics – Today's update**
- Leading Student Success and Support
- Culture of Care and Belonging
- Operational Strength and Investment



As part of the ***We Rise*** **TO NEW HEIGHTS** Strategic Plan, the original implementation team focused on raising the Mount's profile through contemporary, integrative, and distinctive academic programs has developed clear sub-goals and key performance indicators to guide this work. Over the course of last spring, summer, and fall, the team engaged deeply in implementation planning, informed by thoughtful feedback from students, staff, and faculty. The result is a shared direction centered on

ensuring our academic programs are intentionally connected to student success, career readiness, and the evolving needs of our world.

At a high level, this work emphasizes:

- Creating more intentional, connected student learning experiences across the undergraduate journey
- Strengthening the integration of real-world, applied learning within and across programs
- Ensuring our programs remain responsive to changing student populations and workforce demands
- Continuing to build distinctive elements that set the Mount apart in a meaningful and mission-aligned way

As this work has been moving from planning into implementation, responsibility is shifting to the groups best positioned to operationalize and resource it in practice (e.g., academic leadership, the Provost's Office, and key campus partners). Over the next few months, these groups will continue refining next steps for execution of the implementation plan.

This is still evolving work, and it will continue to be shaped through collaboration across schools and programs. While there is a clear direction, how this comes to life will appropriately vary by discipline and context.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our students and to the future of Mount St. Joseph University.



- Wellness Expo – April 29, 2026
- Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement – May 8-9, 2026
- Employee Service Day – May 13, 2026

To learn more about upcoming Employee Engagement events click here.

"I am seeking. I am striving. I am in it with all my heart."

— Vincent van Gogh