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DAVID WROBEL, DEAN
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2025



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Welcome New Hairs



Tim Glotch
Geosciences



Jennifer Heerwig
Sociology



Victoria Hesford
**Women's, Gender and
Sexuality Studies**



Sophie Raynard -Leroy
**Languages and Cultural
Studies**



Jordanna Sprayberry
Undergraduate Biology



Ryan Vander Wielen
Political Science

Welcome New Departments

**Department of Writing
and Rhetoric**



Chair: Peter Khost

**Department of Creative
Writing, Film and TV**



Chair: Julie Sheehan

Welcome New CAS Team Members



Sheri Levy

Professor, Social and Health Psychology
Acting Associate Dean for Budget and Operations



Steve Glynn

Associate Professor, Biochemistry and Cell Biology
Faculty Fellow for Infrastructure



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CAS Highlights

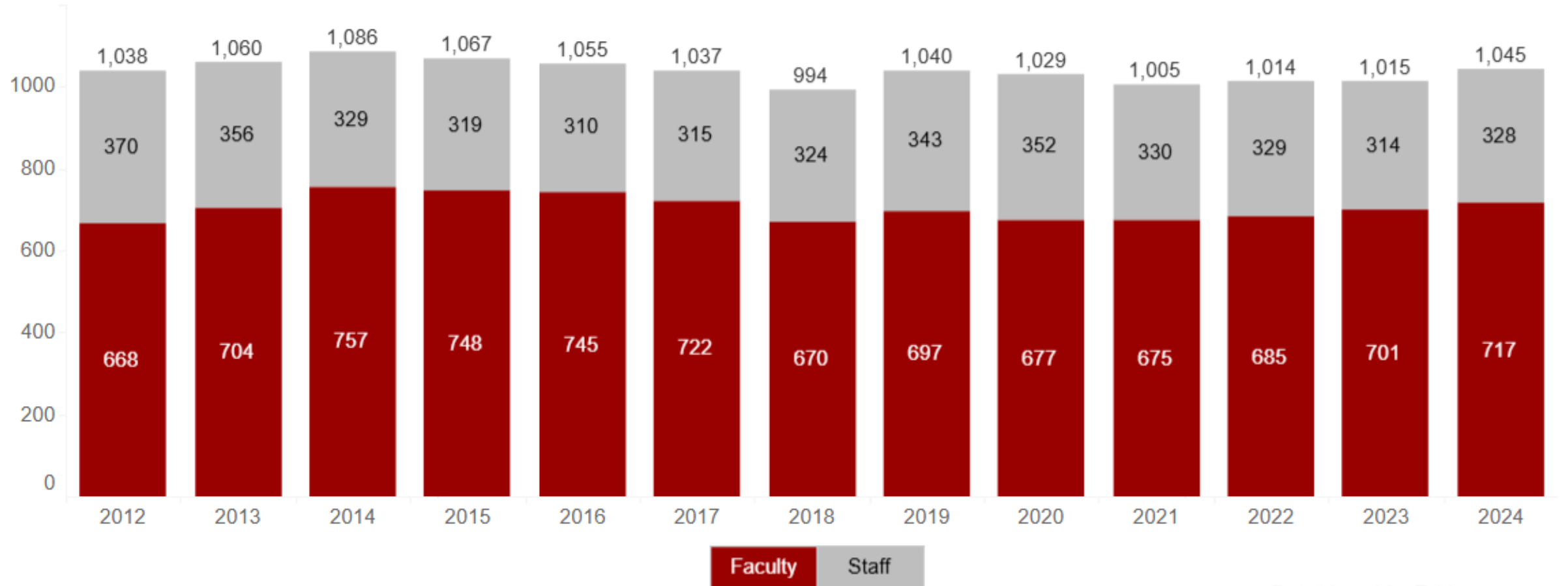


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TT/T & NTT Faculty State/RF Staff

Employee Headcount

End of October (Official Nov. 1) by Calendar Year

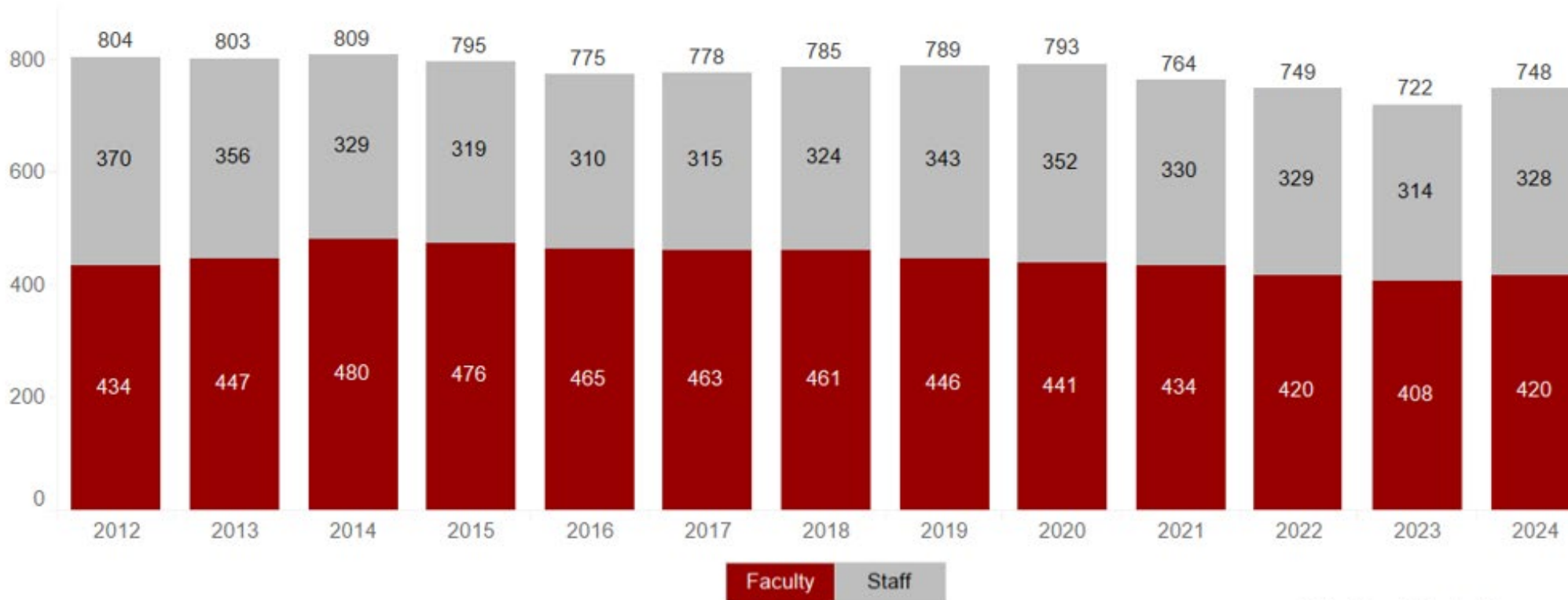


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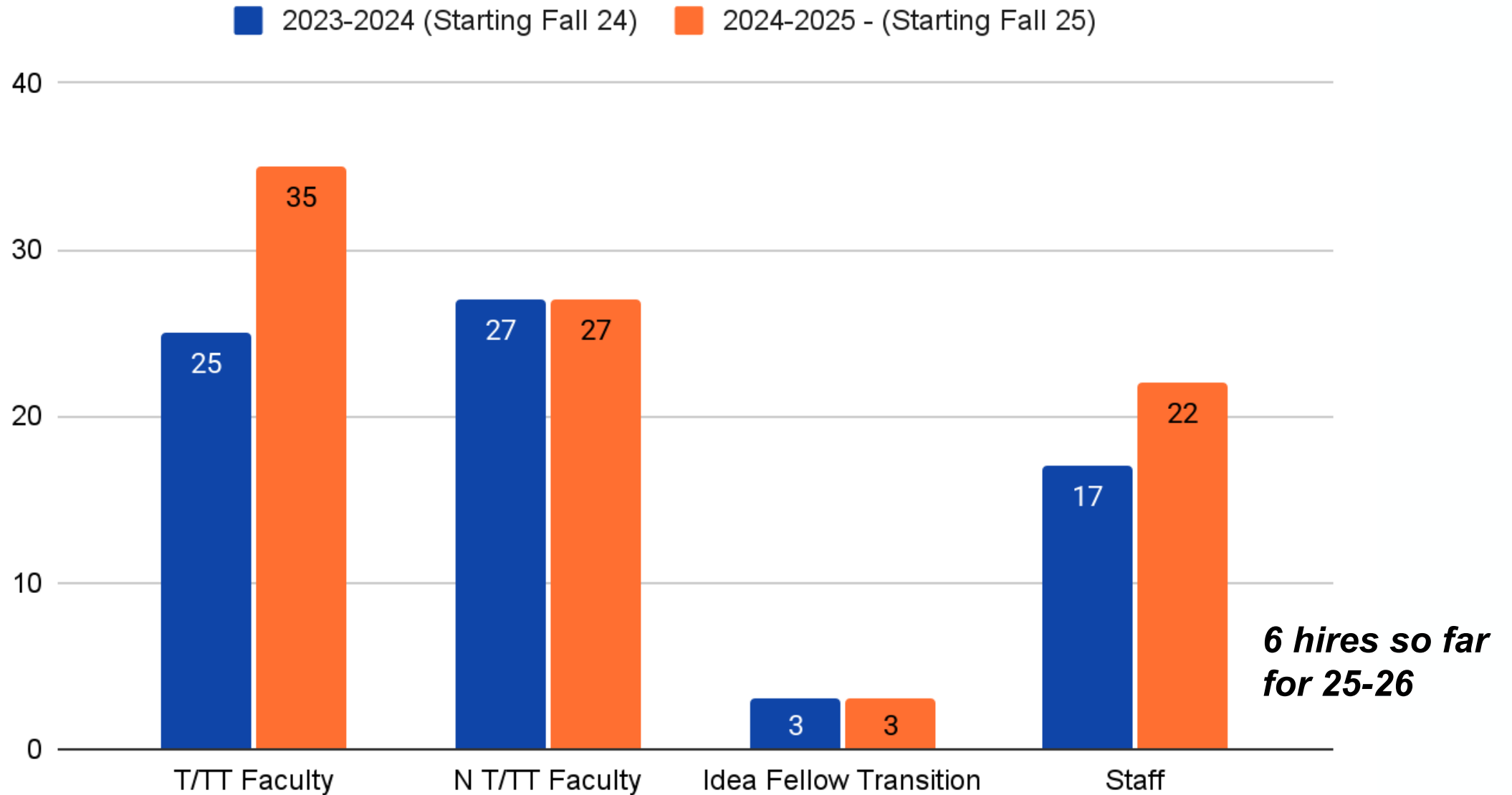
Employee Headcount by Vice President (L1)

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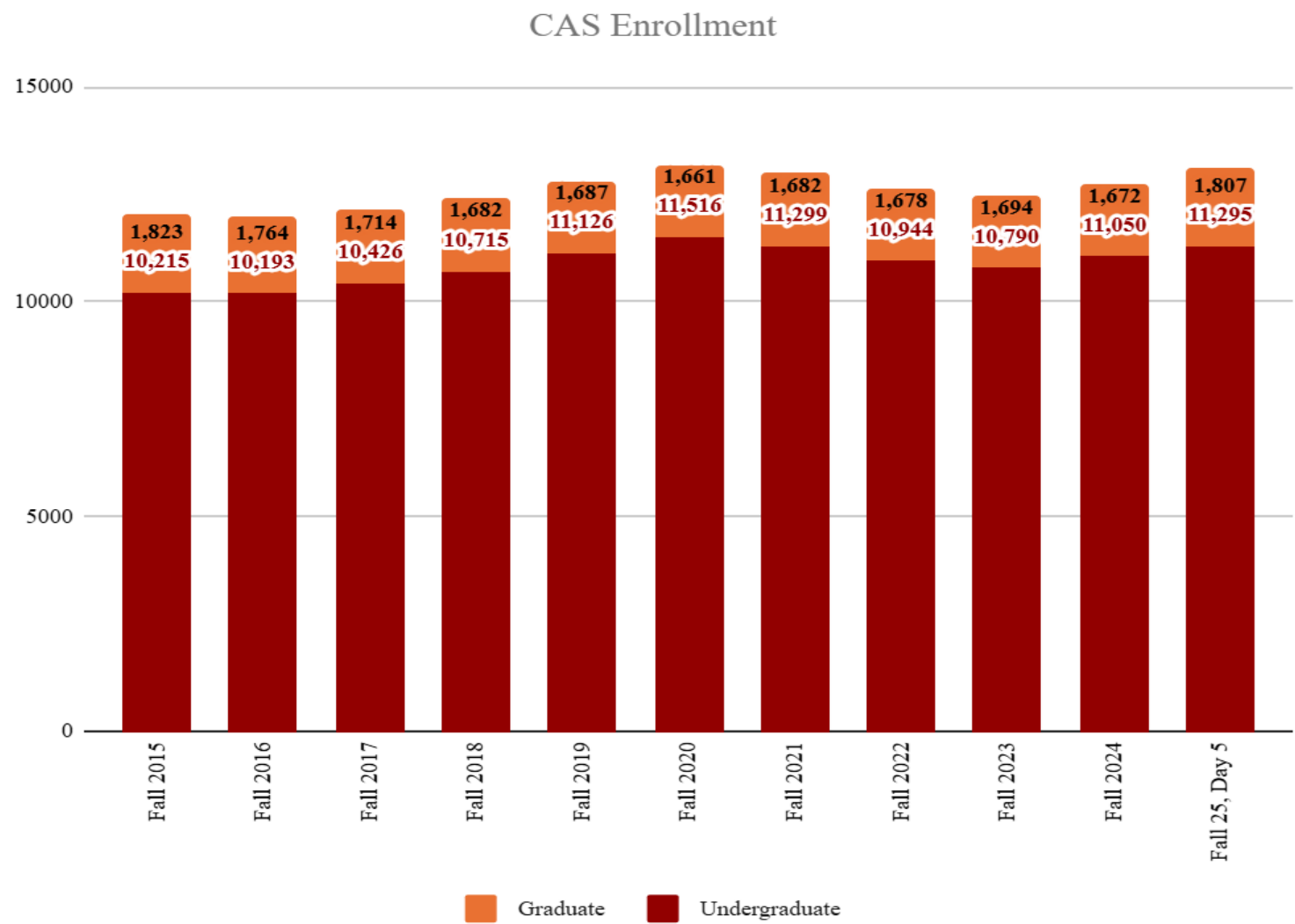
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Vice President (L1)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Grand Total	804	803	809	795	775	778	785	789	793	764	749	722	748
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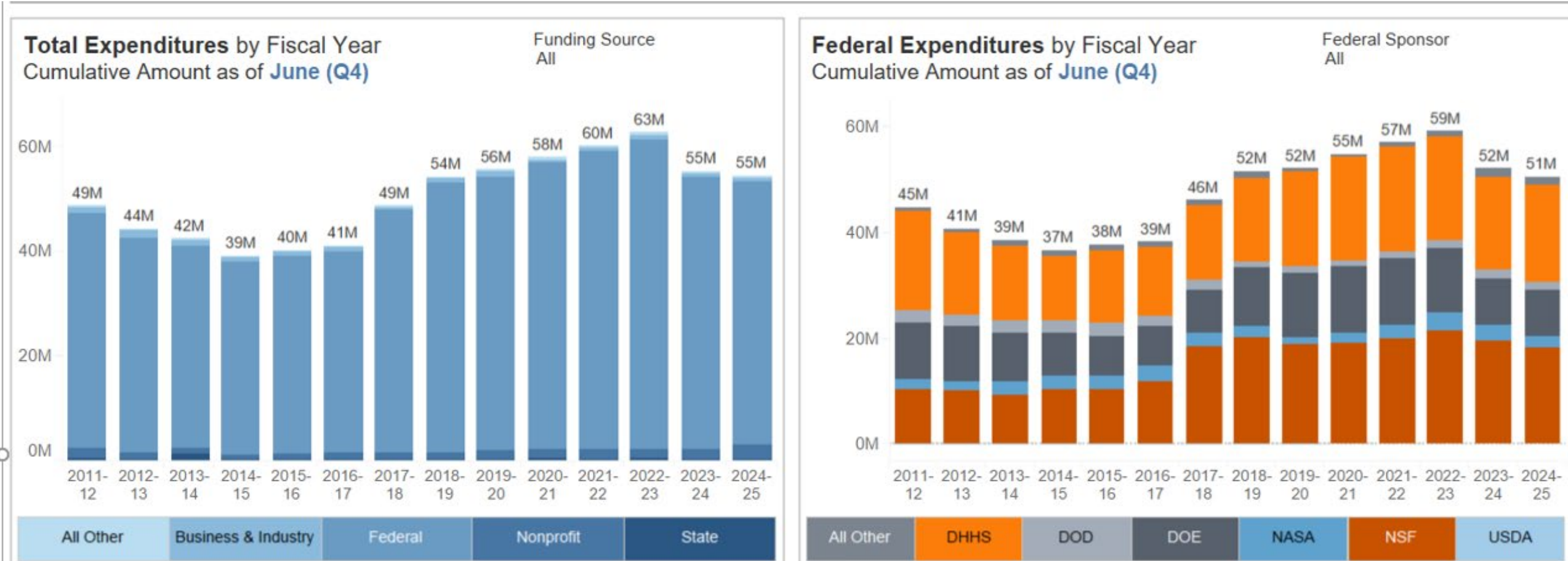
New Faculty and Staff Hires



Undergraduate and Graduate Enrollment



Research Expenditures





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Strategic Goals



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Goal #1: Student Success & Engagement

- **Improved outcomes** , including Y1 -Y2 retention of > 92% and graduation rates in top half of AAU publics (UG) and reduced time to degree (Grad), and job and graduate and professional school placements
- **Scaled up undergraduate research** and **other high impact learning practices** (including internships, service learning, entrepreneurship, study abroad, and learning communities). Undergraduate research is becoming a defining feature of the marketing of CAS to prospective students
- **Expanding master's programs** to improve revenue generation in CAS, and to enhance institutional and departmental reputation. This initiative has begun in Philosophy and Political Science, with Provost support.

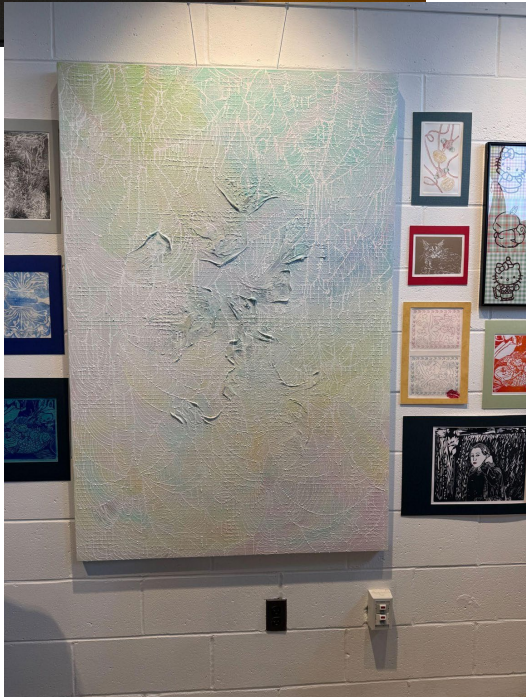
Goal #1: Student Success & Engagement

- Development and launch of the CTRL+ALT+CREATE Event Lab Internship program for students to design and manage their own events in partnership with CAS Centers and Institutes
- Arts Everywhere initiative launched to ensure the creative work of students is showcased in areas across the entire campus, and assure that SBU and CAS are seen and heralded as centers for the Arts and Humanities, as well as for the Natural, Physical, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Event Lab: CTRL+ALT+CREATE
Design and Manage Your Own Event!



Goal #1: Student Success & Engagement



- Hosted the second CAS Humanities Research Day, to give undergrads a glimpse into research opportunities in humanities disciplines
- Extensive use of the recently renamed Dean's Student Leadership Advisory Council (DSLAC) to leverage student input to elevate the student experience; input has helped shape:
 - "Arts Everywhere" initiative
 - Exploration of new program possibilities, including Legal Studies
 - Enhancements to common spaces to improve the student experience

Goal #2: Research/Creative Activity Expansion

- Build support structures to promote faculty success to drive improved department rankings and impact of interdisciplinary collaborations
- Early outreach by the CAS Research team to new faculty to introduce research support systems and funding opportunities
- Help several large departments build back after significant faculty losses and declines in research awards and expenditures

Goal #2: Research/Creative Activity Expansion

- Provide resources to facilitate scholarly productivity, top book publishers and journal placements, and advance creative activity
- The CAS Research team co-hosted a successful event with the Provost's Office team and HISB to bring Program Officers from ACLS and NEH for a half-day workshop
- Research metrics: no change in Total Expenditures: 55M in 23-24 & 55M in AY2425
Slight decline in Federal Expenditures: \$52M in AY2324 and \$51M in AY2425



Center/Institute Leadership

Center for Changing Systems of Power

Manisha Desai

Endowed Professor, Professor of Sociology

Center for Korean Studies

Heejeong Sohn (Appointment in Sept. 2025)*
Senior Advanced Lecturer of AAAS

Japan Center

Eriko Sato
Chair/Professor of AAAS

Center for Hellenic Studies

Stella Tsirka

Professor of Pharmacological Sciences

Center for Multilingual and Intercultural Communication

Agnes He
Professor of AAAS

Language and Learning Research Center

Eriko Sato
Chair/Professor of AAAS

Center for India Studies

Shikarapur Sridhar

Distinguished Service Professor AAAS

GLI/Institute for Globalization Studies

GLI Director, Director to be announced*
IGS Director, Pending Search in 2026

Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Karina Yager*
Associate Professor of SoMAS

Center for Italian Studies

Andrea Fedi

Associate Professor of LCS

Humanities Institute

Michael Rubenstein
Professor of English

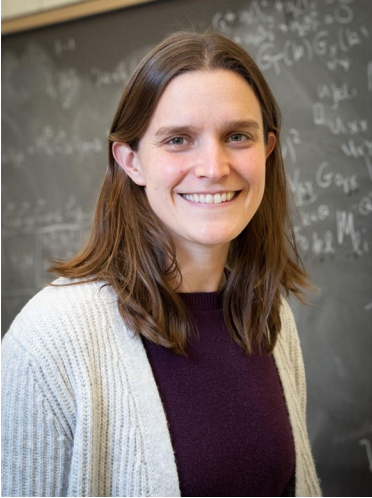
Erika Honisch*

Associate Director, Associate Professor of
Critical Music Studies

Offsite Center Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center

Matthew Ward
Director, Department of Art

Goal #2: Research/Creative Activity Expansion



Jennifer Cano
Physics and Astronomy
2025 Discovery Prize
SUNY Chancellor's Award
Research and Scholarship



Manisha Desai
Sociology/WGSS
American Sociological
Association
Jessie Bernard Award



Tamara Fernando
History
2025 ACLS Fellow



Timothy Glotch
Geosciences
Leads a U.S. research team
granted access to rare
lunar materials



Rowan Ricardo Phillips
English
2025 Arts & Letters Award
American Academy
of Arts & Letters



Joeva Sean Rock
Anthropology
2024 Margaret
Mead Award

Goal #2: Research/Creative Activity Expansion



Tara Smiley
Ecology and Evolution
NSF CAREER Award



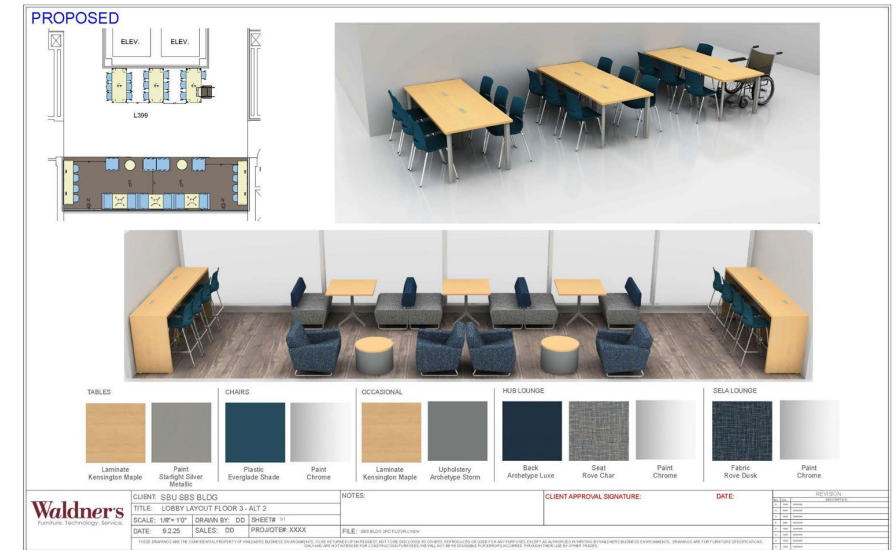
Jesus Perez Rios
Physics and Astronomy
NSF CAREER Award



SBU-Led Team Receives \$4M NSF Grant
to Develop 10-Node Quantum Network;
Eden Figueroa, Physics and Astronomy,
lead principal investigator

Goal #3: Physical Infrastructure Improvement

- Facilitate major building -wide renovation projects including Staller, SBS, Harriman, CHEM, Life Sciences, and Physics/Math
- Leverage major renovations, e.g., Staller, to facilitate fundraising for interior space beautification projects
- Build upgraded and specialized student learning spaces; more large and medium -sized active/collaborative learning classrooms
- Ensure needs of the Department of Philosophy are fully met during the renovation of Harriman Hall



Advancing Our Core Goals

RESULTS (unofficial)

- approximately \$25M raised
 - \$10M - outlier gift for Mattoo Center
- 36 total major gifts closed across all areas of CAS

GIFT HIGHLIGHTS

- Bona Distinguished Lectureship Fund (WGSS)
- Heller Endowed Chair in Cheminformatics
- Benjamin Whisoh Lee Endowed Fund for Postdoctoral Fellowships in Physics
- Yang Manzhen Endowed Fund for Excellence in Biochemistry & Cell Biology
- Rohlf Endowed Chair in Morphometrics
- Smith Undergraduate Scholarship in Biological Sciences
- New Psychology Endowed Fund for Excellence & O'Leary Endowed Fund for Excellence



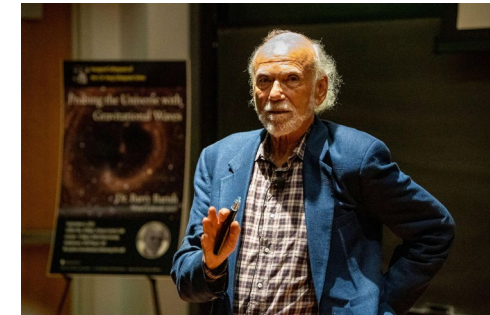
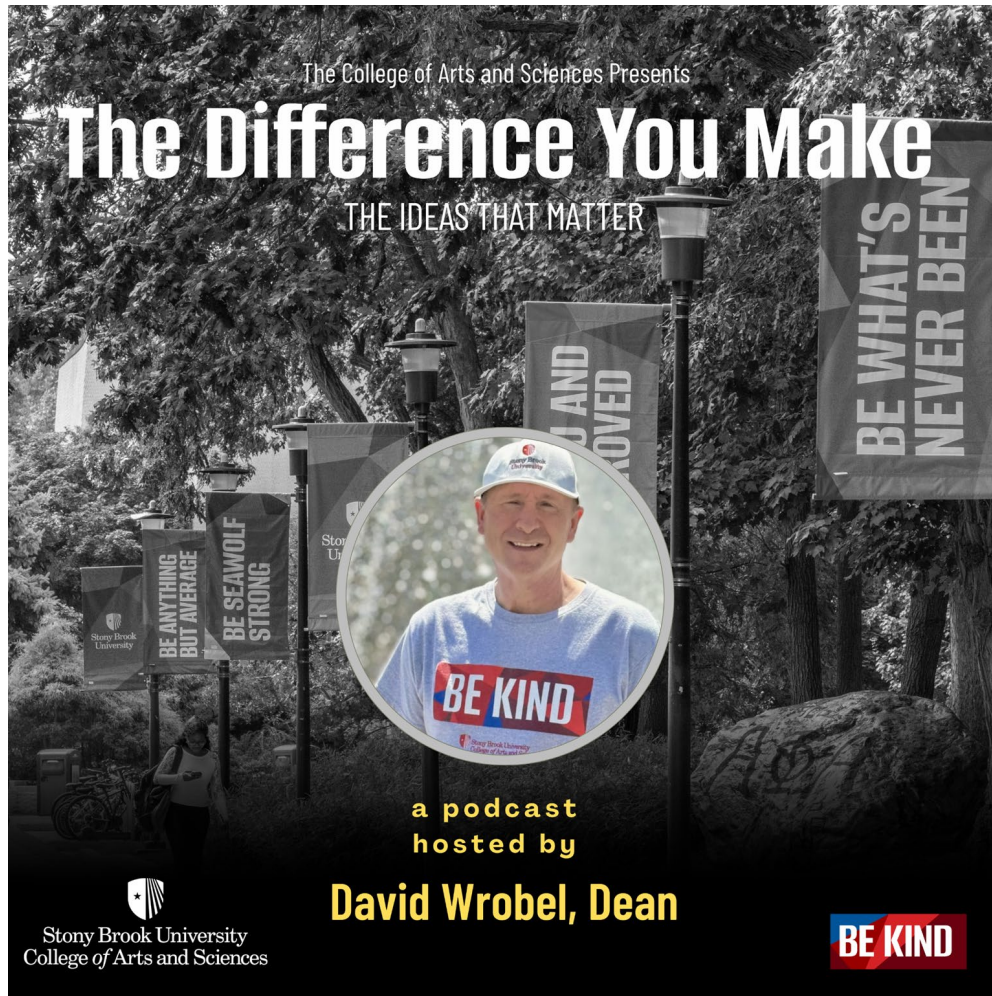
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On the Horizon!



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The Difference You Make: The Ideas that



CAS Dean's Challenge!

Support the College of Arts and Sciences
and Dean David Wrobel

Saturday, September 13, 2025
3:30pm • Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium



SBU Seawolves vs. Fordham



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Join us for a
pregame
tailgate for
food, fun and a
chance to win
cool CAS swag!



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CAS Core Values

- Be Kind
- Collaborate
- Think Big
- Build Community
- Champion Core Values



CAS Core Values

One College



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Thank you!



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