

# Jacksonville University

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## HOMECOMING & FAMILY WEEKEND

# SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 7-10, 2021



Alumni, families, friends and fans are invited to Jacksonville University's 70<sup>th</sup> annual Homecoming & Family Weekend, October 7-10, 2021. To view the full schedule and register for your tickets, visit the [Homecoming & Family Weekend website](#).



JACKSONVILLE UNIVERSITY  
AND  
NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS COMMANDING OFFICER  
CAPTAIN DAN GILLEN  
REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY AT THE  
Jacksonville University

*NROTC 50th Anniversary Celebration*

SATURDAY, THE NINTH OF OCTOBER  
SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

River House  
Jacksonville University  
Jacksonville, FL

TICKET REQUIRED  
KINDLY RSVP BY OCTOBER 4, 2021  
JU.EDU/NROTC50

MILITARY: SUMMER WHITES OR  
SERVICE EQUIVALENT  
CIVILIAN: BUSINESS CASUAL

We hope you will make plans to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jacksonville University's NROTC Unit in Jacksonville, Fla., as part of our 2021 Homecoming & Family Weekend. For more information and to purchase your tickets, click [here](#).

### Remembering 9/11: President Cost Looks Back

By all accounts, it was a beautiful day. The sun was shining, the air crisp, as Jacksonville University President Tim Cost, then an executive at Bristol Myers Squibb, finished a two-and-a-half-hour commute from Philadelphia to New York City. He took the 5:00 a.m. train each morning and returned home at 8:00 p.m. each night.



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## Twenty Years Later: Dolphin Heroes Reflect on 9/11

Twenty years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001, the nation was transformed as planes were hijacked and then crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center, the south tower of the World Trade Center, the west side of the Pentagon, and a field near Shanksville, Pa., southeast of Pittsburgh.

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## Ricker-Gilbert Named NCAA Legislative Committee Chair

Jacksonville University Senior Vice President and Athletic Director *Alex Ricker-Gilbert* was named Chair of the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee, effective July 1, 2021.

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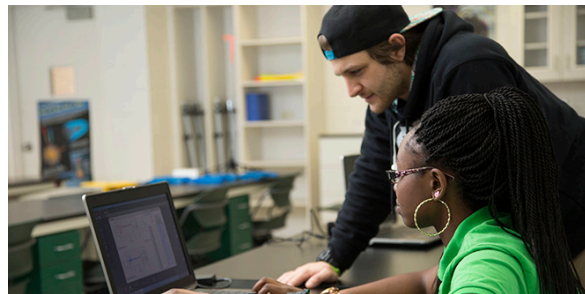


## National Science Foundation Grant to Support High-achieving, Low-income Students

Jacksonville University was recently awarded more than \$900,000 by the National Science Foundation to support an initiative designed to help meet the national need for engineers and computer scientists by supporting the retention and graduation of high-achieving, low-income students.

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## Allison Ventrone Receives Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship

Ventrone is one of 62 recipients nationwide to receive the 2021 Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship, the most prestigious financial award offered by the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. Established almost one hundred years ago, this fellowship annually funds first-year graduate students who are dedicated to bettering the world around them.

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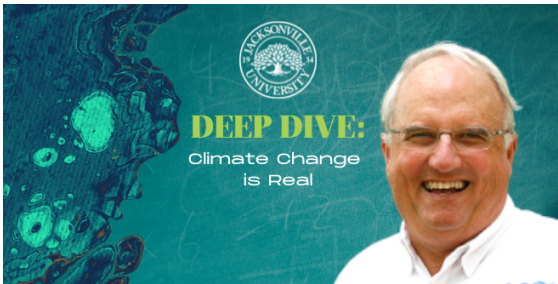
## Aura Air Purification Pilot Program in Place for Fall Semester

As part of a pilot program between Jacksonville University and Israeli startup Aura Air, approximately 20 Aura Air purification units have been installed in interior spaces throughout campus. JU is the first university in the United States to use the innovative air-filtering and purifying technology.



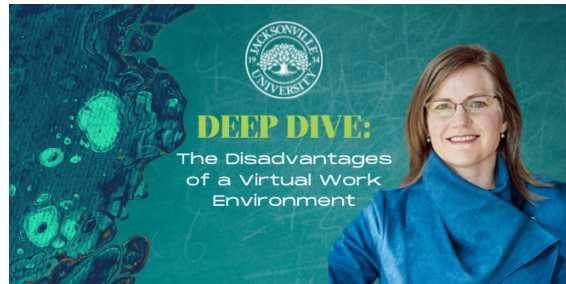
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## *From Our Faculty Columnists*



In this month's Florida Times-Union River Life column, Quniton White, executive director of Jacksonville University's Marine Science Research Institute, discusses climate change and its very real consequences.

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In her most recent submission to the Florida Times-Union, Davis College of Business Dean Barbara Ritter explores the disadvantages of a virtual work environment.

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