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## UAH Annual Report

UAH students have a resiliency that is unmatched. Read about their achievements in academics and athletics – including the ninth Gulf South Conference softball championship and dual NASA Artemis Student Challenge wins – in our 2023 Annual Report. Many of the faculty guiding our students toward their bright future made significant research developments in 2023.

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# FIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMS RANKED IN THE **TOP 25 NATIONALLY**, AND FOUR PROGRAMS RANKED **#1 IN THE STATE**.

NASA AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RESEARCH EXPENDITURES ARE RANKED 13TH AND 16TH NATIONALLY.

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## UAH 1st in state in 6 categories of federal research expenditures

The most recent Higher Education Research and Development (HERD) Survey shows UAH with federal research initiatives totaling \$132.1 million, including first-place rankings in Department of Defense, NASA, Aerospace/Aeronautical/Astronautical Engineering, Computer and Information Sciences, Atmospheric Science and Meteorology and Astronomy expenditures. Overall, the university achieved total federal research funding of \$163.4 million.

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## UAH Rotorcraft Center marks 'Milestone 500' in recognition of student partnership program with Boeing

UAH's Rotorcraft Systems Engineering & Simulation Center recently celebrated the 500-plus students who have graduated from a partnership program with Boeing. For the past 14 years, UAH and the Boeing Huntsville Design

Center have provided opportunities for students to gain experience in real-world engineering at one of the world's largest aerospace companies.

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## **UAH leads nationwide VIVID coalition to advance cybersecurity education with \$3.2M DOD grant**

UAH is leading a four-university coalition to advance cybersecurity education through Virtual Internship and Varied Innovative Demonstrations (VIVID). This three-year program is funded by a \$3.2 million grant from the Department of Defense. UAH's nationwide coalition includes Augusta University in Georgia, Florida International University and The University of Arizona.

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## UAH earns 2024-2025 Military Friendly® School gold award

UAH has earned a 2024-2025 Military Friendly® School designation with a special award in the gold category. More than 1,800 schools participated in the survey with 537 earning special awards for going above the standard. The UAH Office of Military and Veterans Programs serves military veterans and their dependents during their time as students at UAH.

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## UAH begins new Air Force ROTC program for freshmen, sophomores with fall 2024 semester

UAH is offering a new Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AFROTC) program for freshmen and sophomores beginning this fall. The program allows scholarship and non-scholarship cadets to live as regular college students while pursuing their degrees. When they graduate, they will be commissioned in the U.S. Air Force or U.S. Space Force.

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## **UAH Athletics to hold Charger Open Golf Outing on May 13**

Join the UAH Department of Athletics for the 2024 Charger Open Golf Outing on the morning of Monday, May 13, at Hampton Cove's Highland Course. Compete for the Charger Cup in a new tournament-within-the-tournament, which has been added this year. The tournament will be followed by an awards ceremony and cookout at Hampton Cove.

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## Future Chargers experience taste of campus life on Admitted Student Day

UAH welcomed 1,520 guests, including 509 students, from 23 states to campus on Saturday, April 6, for Admitted Student Day. All admitted high school seniors and transfer students along with their families had the opportunity to explore the campus, visit with faculty and advisors and meet current UAH students and future classmates.

**Reminder: UAH Commencement ceremonies for spring 2024 happen on May 6.**

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