

Questions to begin the process of Looking Forward to 200

1. Here are three background questions that will support our visioning.

A. *What are the specific attributes that Mizzou must have as a Land Grant University, the flagship Missouri public university, and a member of the AAU?*

B. *As we look forward to 2039, what are three guiding principles that must frame our vision for what this Campus should be?*

C. *How will the environment around Mizzou look different in 2039? What will be the demographic, social, technical, economic, and other big issues that will shape our vision?*

2. Here are questions to which everyone associated with the future of the Campus should respond. We look for thoughtful responses that are framed by “looking back” from the future at the next 25 years of Mizzou.

D. *In May 2039, the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) names The University of Missouri’s Columbia Campus as the Outstanding Campus of the Decade at its annual meeting. The APLU annual meeting is one of the world’s foremost events for leaders in higher education. Draft the APLU President’s speech (400 - 500 words) that describes why the award was made to Mizzou.*

E. *At Homecoming 2039, the Alumni Association holds a meeting in the arena to present the results of a survey of its members. The title of the multimedia presentation to the membership and guests is, “The Legacy of Mizzou since 2020”. The presentation receives a rousing reception from the audience. What specific elements of the legacy have excited the crowd?*

F. *By 2025, the University of Missouri has advanced in all of the Phase I Indicators used in membership policy for the AAU (Association of American Universities), with particular growth shown in competitively funded federal research support and awards, fellowships, and memberships that indicate prestige. (a) What are the drivers of this advancement? (b) What tangible outcomes of this advancement will be noticeable on campus in 2039?*