# **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS BUDGET REDUCTION PLANNING PROCESS**

## Guiding principles: protect our priorities

- Academic mission, integrity, and quality
- Diversity, equity and inclusion efforts
- Faculty research and scholarship
- High-touch support of student success
- National university recognition status

## Approach: budget reduction actions that align with our guiding principles

- Identify central mitigation efforts to reduce budget impact to colleges and academic units
- Work with colleges to identify additional mitigation strategies
- Target areas of reduction that will be least disruptive and/or can be deferred
- Provide reduction targets to each dean and work with colleges to finalize budget reduction plans

# Strategies: prioritized list of budget reduction targets\*

Provost (central) mitigation efforts...

- 1. Equipment & Renovations
- 2. Professional organization membership dues
- 3. Discretionary stipends (cell phone, committee work, etc.)
- 4. Guest Speakers/lecturers/artists
- 5. Academic Program Reviews
- 6. Faculty Awards/Celebratory events
- 7. Strategic projects, initiatives or grants (defer or discretionary)

### Provost-College shared mitigation efforts...

- 1. Vacant positions (attrition)
- 2. Library purchases (print and electronic collections, academic software)
- 3. College operating budget allocations (i.e. summer, recruiting, etc.)
- 4. Educational Leaves
- 5. PT requests

#### Department level budget reductions (including Provost's budget) - per Dean's discretion...

- 1. Travel Expenses
- 2. Employee Development Expenses
- 3. Professional organization membership dues
- 4. Discretionary stipends
- 5. Operating Budget supplies, materials, contractual services, leases, rent, etc.
- 6. Student Wages
- 7. Other: JMU Foundation, IDC, etc.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: timing/magnitude of budget reduction will impact the order and scope of reduction strategies.