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Dr. Grew directly secured more than \$15 million in federal grants for student success and institutional development initiatives at NJCU, including U.S. Education Department Title III HSI-STEM/CCRAA and MSEIP grants, a Title V cooperative grant, and NSF and NIH grants. Dr. Grew also made pre-award and post-award contributions to numerous other grant projects.

Dr. Grew oversaw the doubling of NJCU's Biology Department and created courses, programs, and cooperative agreements with other institutions. He led strategic, financial, facilities and technology planning and advising, retention, enrollment management, and accreditation initiatives. Dr. Grew served on NJCU's University Senate, IRB, and searches for NJCU's Provost and Chief Financial Officer.

Dr. Grew contributes to "student success" initiatives at NJCU, created the *Nu Pi* chapter of the *Beta Beta Beta* Biology Honor Society, contributed to the \$42 million NJ Higher Education Facilities Trust grant to renovate NJCU's Science Building, and funded more than 250 paid student jobs and internships. Dr. Grew speaks at conferences for HSI educators and other educational constituencies. He received Excellence in Teaching and Special Thanks and Recognition of Service (STARS) awards from NJCU.

