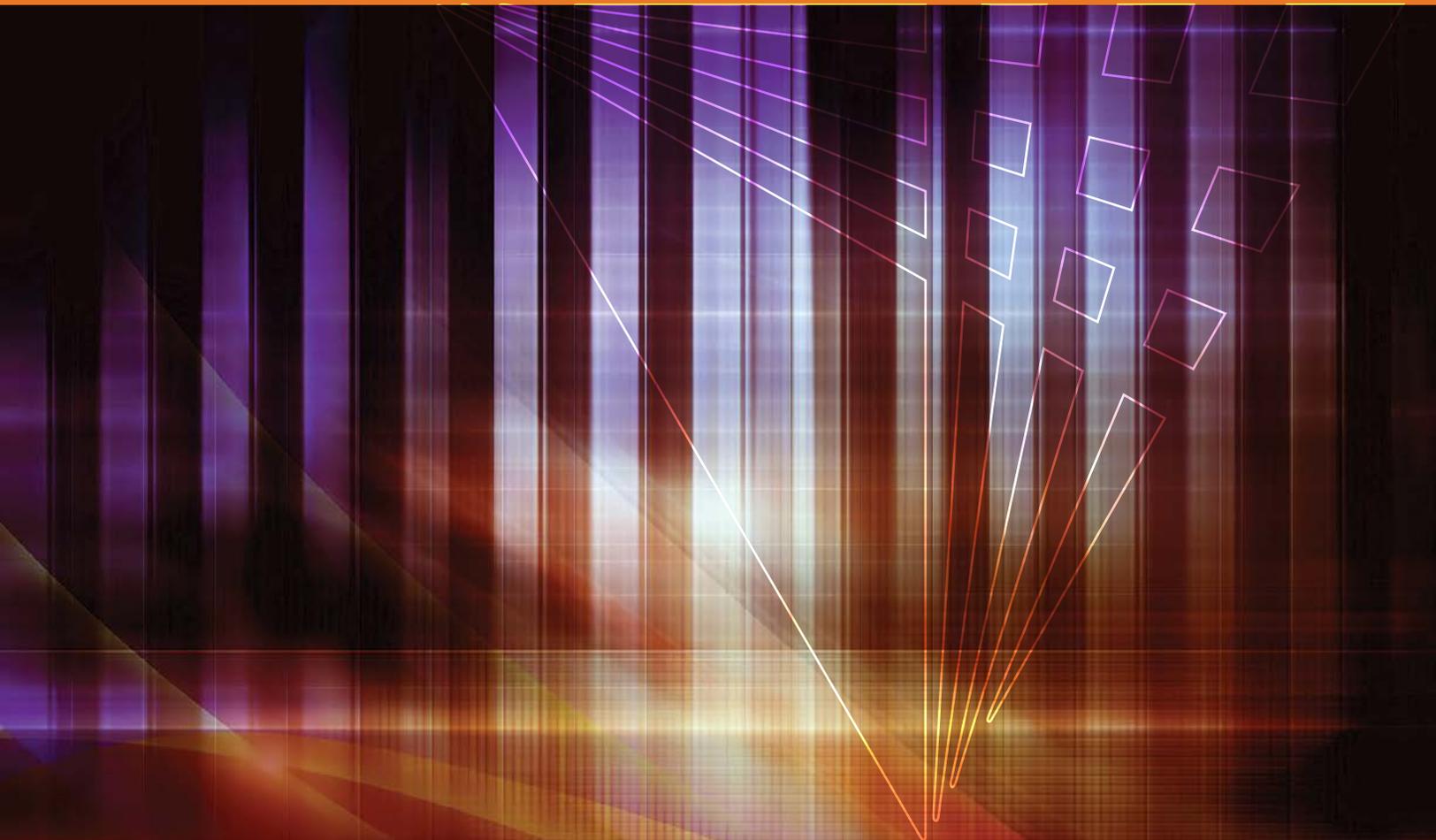


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## Strategic Plan Summary



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## 1. Grow the student body

- Develop the newly established Food Science and Nutrition department to grow the degree programs and enrollments.
- Implement interdisciplinary degree programs with other colleges and departments of IIT, including the 4+1 co-terminal programs, Food Safety and Technology with Business concentration, and establish additional interdisciplinary degree programs to enhance IIT offerings and enrollments.

## 2. Promote innovative thinking and excellence throughout the university

- Establish advisory committees, strategies and business plans for Center for Nutrition Research (CNR), Center for Processing Innovation (CPI), and Center for Specialty Programs (CSP) within IFSH to further grow the business portfolio of each Center.
- Aim to establish a food safety and processing technology hub/incubator/innovation center for small- and medium-sized food companies/entrepreneurs to test concept-to-market ideas.
- Provide operational training to management, faculty, and staff to maximize IFSH personnel capability.

## 3. Elevate IIT's visibility and reputation

- Continue to further enhance IFSH's national and international reputation on food safety research through the collaborative research programs with the FDA and the industry.
- Leverage IFSH leadership on the Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance to establish IFSH as a national and international leader in training and helping the food industry in FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) preventive control implementations.
- Continue to promote IFSH and IIT brand names to the scientific community and the food industry through peer-reviewed publications and implementing an enhanced marketing program.

## 4. Enhance IIT's facilities, infrastructure, and environments

- Seek funding to renovate the food processing pilot plant so that IFSH can accommodate increased demand of FDA and industry projects.
- Enhance the energy efficiency of the main building of the Moffett campus, and ensure the building meets General Services Administration (GSA) requirements for renewal of FDA leasing.

## 5. Develop resources to enable progress

- Be an integral part of the IIT capital campaign for major funds to support IFSH pilot plant and main building renovations.
- Further enhance IFSH industry membership by 5, totaling 68.
- Continue collaborative research programs with FDA in food safety and applied nutrition.
- Further enhance research funding from non-FDA sources through IFSH Centers (CNR, CPI and CSP).

## 6. Strengthen all of IIT's Colleges/Schools

Aim to develop the Food Science and Nutrition department to be one of the leading departments in the field nationally.