The Division of Student Affairs

The Florida State University
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President Barron,

The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for twelve departments within the University. We provide programs and services to enhance the quality of life for students during matriculation. Our practices, programs, and services focus on students’ educational, intellectual, leadership, physical, spiritual, and personal development.

This report focuses on the departments in the Division that are located in the Woodward/Traditions Way block in the “Student Services corridor.” You will also find a map of campus which illustrates where our services are located. While learning about half of our departments you will learn about the breadth of educational programming efforts and intentional services available to our students. In addition to this report, more comprehensive views of each department is provided. Beyond the direct student services, each of the highlighted departments demonstrates the strong linkages with academic units that support student success and achievement.

We appreciate your interest and support.

Sincerely,

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The Center for Global Engagement

The mission of The Center for Global Engagement (CGE) is to facilitate international diversity and foster global understanding and awareness within the Florida State community. Our vision is to be actively engaged in creating a globally competent campus.

Build Community

**Global Ambassadors Program:** Educates our campus and community about the home countries and cultures of international students and scholars

**International Friends Program:** Matches approximately 50 international students with domestic students or families per semester to facilitate cross-cultural friendships and increase understanding

**Community Outreach Programs:** Partners with local cultural organizations such as the Asian Coalition of Tallahassee, the Caribbean Council and the city of Tallahassee

Educate Leaders to Make a Difference

**Global Pathways Certificate:** Provides opportunity to help undergraduate and graduate students develop intercultural competencies through a combination of academic classes and engagement in intercultural or international opportunities on campus and abroad

**Beyond Borders Cultural Exchange Program:** Enhances opportunities for students to learn about another culture through friendship by hosting the incoming exchange group on our campus and by being hosted by those same students in their home countries

**International Scholarship:** Collaborates with the Department of State to receive about 25 Fulbright students per year, and just began a new initiative—the Undergraduate Global Exchange Program with Eurasia whose purpose is to help educate future world leaders

Integrate Learning

**Special Topics Course:** Facilitates “Theory and Practice for Global Engagement” to prepare U.S. students for effective international engagement, and “Culture, Identity, and Academia in the U.S.” to assist incoming international students better integrate into campus and community

Operational Excellence

**Undergraduate Recruitment:** Initiates efforts in collaboration with admissions and targets English speaking students from the Persian Gulf area who are fully funded; and collaborates with the Graduate School to establish conditional admission and recruit funded students

**Special Academic Programs:** Manages intensive academic programs, in collaboration with several academic departments, for more than 150 international students per year from 8 partner universities in Macao, Japan, Korea, China, Brazil and Pakistan
The Center for Multicultural Affairs

The Center for Multicultural Affairs (CMA) creates a welcoming environment that is inclusive of all students. To that end, the Center for Multicultural Affairs provides advocacy, support services, and culturally based programs that educate students on diversity and multiculturalism and empowers them to be agents of social change in an increasingly diverse and global community.

Build Community
Annual CMA Multicultural Orientation and Gathering: Gives first year students an opportunity to meet people and organizations available to them

FSUnity Day: Brings the campus together to celebrate unity and diversity of all students

Educate Leaders to Make a Difference
Annual Multicultural Leadership Summit: Hosts annual event that exposes student participants to different leadership styles; and teaches them how race, ethnicity, and culture impacts personal empowerment and leadership development

Integrate Learning
Celebration of Annual Theme/Celebratory Months: Collaborates annually with Academic Affairs departments for programming, specifically during national cultural theme months such as American Indian, Asian American, Black History, and Hispanic Heritage Months

Graduation and Recognition Ceremony: Recognizes and honors the academic and leadership achievements of the senior class as well as recognize the contributions these students have made

Academic Scholarships: Coordinates the Angie Cintron Memorial Scholarship, the Seth Rossetti Memorial Scholarship, and the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Book Stipends
The Center for Leadership and Civic Education

“The Center” enhances the education of students for responsible citizenship and effective leadership. We envision students and alumni aware of and engaged in the world around them - who use their talents and means to create a more just and humane society.

Initiatives designed to develop students who are well-known and respected for their leadership acumen and public service tradition include, but are not limited to:

**Build Community**
**Community Ambassadors and Outreach:** Facilitates opportunities for students who on a daily basis are leading their peers in structured service to local non-profit organizations

**Summer Serviceships:** Supports students, financially and educationally, in spending the summer understanding and working to solve local and/or global community needs

**PeaceJam Southeast:** Hosts the international, comprehensive mentoring program and regional conference built around Nobel Peace Prize Laureates and their work

**Leadership and Service Organizations:** Houses and partners with seventeen student organizations to create a welcoming and resource-rich community space for students who seek to learn and practice leading positive change

**Educate Leaders to Make a Difference**
**LeaderShape Institute and Lead-In’s:** Facilitates annual retreat-style programs developing students’ capacity to lead and to create thriving, just, and caring communities

**Service Leadership Seminar:** Coordinates a five-day program for incoming students teaching them the process of creating positive sustainable change

**LeadPlans:** Advises individual student development plans which are created with a Center advisor to assess and outline students’ leadership learning goals and progress

**Integrate Learning**
**Undergraduate Certificate in Leadership Studies:** Partners with the College of Education to teach the 18 credit academic Certificate in Leadership Studies

**Service Learning:** Coordinates with faculty across campus to assist them in the design and integration of experiential learning and service components in academic courses

**Social Justice Living–Learning Community:** Creates curricular and co-curricular program for incoming students of all majors to learn and practice social justice

**Non-Profit Internship Program:** Partners with the College of Human Sciences to provide any student up to 12 academic elective credits through service to a non-profit in the Big Bend area
The Career Center

The Career Center holds a centralized mission for career programs serving all academic programs, colleges and students ranging from freshmen to seniors, graduate students and alumni. The department also offers comprehensive career programs including: career advising/counseling/programming, internships and employment/graduate school services.

Build Community

International Excellence: Serves as a consultant to faculty, staff, as well as other universities and agencies at national and international levels, regarding the improvement of career services (consulted in 24 countries and career services professionals from 41 countries have visited the FSU Career Center)

Educating Leaders To Make a Difference

Internships: Facilitates 2,226 student internship registrants; 355 placements; 3,819 internship and cooperative education opportunities listed via SeminoleLink; a total of 2,793 student employment positions listed during 2008-2009

Professional Development: Trains approximately 50 graduate and undergraduate students each year in career advising, graduate assistant, mock interview mentor and student assistant roles

Integrate Learning

Advising Services: Provides career advising on a drop-in basis during daily and some evening hours (8,415 visits in 2008-2009)

Supports Academic Mission: Provides staff liaisons with all colleges, cooperative programs with the academic advising system, instruction of undergraduate and graduate career related courses

Operational Excellence

Employment Services: Hosts 11,134 student participants in career fairs and on-campus interviews during 2008-2009

Innovative Programs: Develops technologically-based programs including: NACElink (national college/university software system that supports college student resume databases, internship/job listings and recruiting programs such as career fairs and on-campus interviewing—named SeminoleLink at FSU) and a Career Portfolio system used by more than 70,000 students

Generate Financial Support: Fundraise more than $100,000 annually through the Placement Partner corporate fundraising program
The mission of University Housing is to provide a quality residential experience for students which supports their academic goals and personal development. More than 6,900 students live on campus in 18 various residence halls and complexes. Within these residence halls and complexes, there are six living-learning communities.

Living-Learning Communities within the residence halls are communities of first-year students who enjoy exclusive opportunities related to shared academic interests. Each community requires 1 to 3 cohort courses, typically offered in-house, with optional activities such as shadowing or research opportunities. Selection is competitive and based on essay application. The size of the communities ranges from 35 to 152 participants.

Building Community
Share Interest: Creates an exceptionally close-knit and supportive community of resident students and participating faculty

Engaging Curricula: Exposes and promotes campus resources and opportunities, encouraging students to explore and engage

Integrate Learning
Partnerships: Connects Student Affairs and Academic Affairs

Increased Scholar Achievements: GPAs and second-year retention rates for participants exceed those for non-LLC residents by up to 19%

Experiential Learning: Offers service learning, research experience, shadowing and/or other learning opportunities

Operational Excellence
Outstanding Programs: Identified as exemplary by the National Study of Living-Learning Programs

FSU Living-Learning Communities:
- Bryan Hall Learning Community
  (Theme: Curiosity and the Desire to Learn)
- Music Living-Learning Center at Cawthon Hall
- Nursing Learning Community at Wildwood Hall
- Pre-Health Professions Learning Community at Reynolds Hall
- Social Justice Living-Learning Community at Wildwood Hall
- Social Science and Public Affairs Learning Community at DeGraff Hall
- Women in Math, Science and Engineering Community at Cawthon Hall
TheUniversity Counseling Center’s (UCC) primary mission is to address the psychological needs and personal concerns which may interfere with students’ academic progress, social development and emotional well-being. Our activities, accomplishments and priorities reflect the University’s goal of fostering student engagement, development and success. We currently have 13.0 FTE counselors to serve 40,000 students. The accreditation standard (International Association of Counseling Services) for university and college counseling centers is 1 counselor for every 1500 students. The current FSU counselor to student ratio is 1:3077.

Building Community

Collaborative Partnerships: Supports academic units, student affairs offices and faculty and staff by offering consultative services (regarding students of concern) and educational programs in identifying, assisting and referring distressed students

Educate Leaders To Make a Difference

Mental Health Awareness: Decreases the stigma of counseling through suicide prevention training (NOLES CARE), peer education (RENEW Peer Educators) and preventative outreach (e.g., online self-assessment)

Integrate Learning

National Leader: Serves as 1 of only 107 APA Accredited Pre-doctoral Psychology Counseling Center Internships nationwide

Internship & Practicum Experiences: Trains graduate students in psychology, social work, counseling and art therapy

Operational Excellence

Student Access: Ensures free, timely and quality mental health services and psycho-educational programming through the use of counseling session limits (10 per academic year), emergency walk-in services and greater reliance on group counseling